

Residency

A student is eligible to participate in Interscholastic Athletics at the school to which he or she is assigned under **Prince George's County Schools Administrative Procedure 5111**. Schools have boundaries; students residing in those boundaries shall attend that neighborhood high school.

For the purpose of determining athletic eligibility, students must establish one (1) place of residence. "Residence" is defined as the equivalent of the term "domicile" as applied by the courts of the State of Maryland. Under no circumstances can a student have more than one residence for eligibility.

Any change in residence must be bona fide. The home address provided to the registrar and shown on the Interscholastic Athletics Parental Permission form must be the sole bona fide residence, and the school principal must be notified immediately of any change in residence, since such a move may alter the eligibility status of the student.

Students not attending the school in the area in which they reside are not eligible to participate in Interscholastic Athletics.

Exceptions:

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Appeal Process:

Transfer Policy

All students are expected to attend the school assigned to the address at which the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) resides. Students must not withdraw from or cease attendance at their assigned schools except upon the receipt of an official letter of transfer approval. Contextual Learning Environment (CLE) goals may affect transfer decisions.

A student who transfers from his/her home attendance area school without a bona fide change of residence of the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) may not participate in Interscholastic Athletics for 365 days from the approved transfer date.

Middle school students who attend middle school outside of their area of residence and who wish to remain in that pattern must apply for a wavier to be eligible for Interscholastic Athletics in high school.

Middle school students who matriculate to a high school other than the home attendance area school may not participate in Interscholastic Athletics.

Exceptions:

1. Contextual Learning Environment goals shall be an exception.
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Appeal Process:

If unusual circumstances exist, a student may appeal the ineligibility in writing to Mr. Earl L. Hawkins, Supervisor of Interscholastic Athletics, 9201 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743. A copy of the approved transfer form (PGIN – 75403001) must accompany the appeal.

Process:

The Supervisor of Interscholastic Athletics will meet with both school principals and athletic directors involved to decide if the appeal should be granted.

