

In accordance with Section 82 of the BC School Act, a board must provide instruction free of charge to every student of school age resident in British Columbia and enrolled in an educational program in a school operated by the board. A student is resident in BC if the student and the student's parent/guardian are ordinarily resident in BC. By definition, a temporary resident is usually not ordinarily resident although the Ministry will fund some temporary residents in some circumstances. This Decision Aid is derived from the BC Ministry of Education funding policies and, while considered reliable, does not replace policies in their entirety. Please refer to *Eligibility of Students for Operating Grant Funding (2013)* for complete details.

## FUNDING ELIGIBILITY CHART (DRAFT)

### DECISION AID THAT COULD BE USED IN DETERMINING PROVINCIAL EDUCATION FUNDING FOR SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN<sup>1</sup>

Residency Status of Parent in Canada	Parent/Legal Guardian <sup>2</sup> in BC as...	Status of Child in Canada	Parent/Legal Guardian ordinarily resident in BC <sup>3</sup>	Required Documentation – copies to be in student's file PLUS supporting documentation (per Part 8 of the School Act)	Responsible for Registration	Provincially Funded
				<b>PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DOCUMENTATION</b>		
First Nations	A member of our First Nations	First Nations	yes	First Nations Documentation or Band Card	School	yes
Canadian Citizen	Canadian Citizen	Entered Canada with parent or legal guardian & resides in district	yes	passport or citizenship card/certificate or birth certificate	School	yes
Permanent Resident	Permanent Resident (or Landed Immigrant)		yes	Permanent resident card (PRC) or Record of Landing (if pre-1997)	School	yes
Temporary Resident	Refugee Claimant		yes/no	Refugee Protection Claimant Document from IRCC	District	yes
	Protected Person or PRRA ^		yes/no	Documentation from IRCC	District	yes
	Deemed Resident		yes/no	Government documentation	District	yes
	Applied for PR from within Canada		yes/no	Acknowledgement letter from IRCC office in Canada (not overseas)	District	yes
	Admitted under a K-12 teacher exchange		no	Copy of parent offer of employment and work permit	District	yes
	Diplomat or Officer		no	Passport with Foreign Representative Acceptance Counterfoil or Visiting Forces acknowledgement	District	yes
	Temporary Foreign Worker		no	Work permit for a year or more and proof of employment <sup>4</sup>	District	yes
	International Student		no	Study permit for a year or more and enrollment in an eligible program <sup>5</sup>	District	yes
	Visitor	no	Passport or temporary resident record and study permit for child	District	no	
N/A	Not authorized to work or study	no	Not authorized to attend school w/o Study Permit	District	no	
N/A	Visitor OR not authorized to work or study	Canadian Citizen	no	Passport or temporary resident record and child's birth certificate	District	no
				<b>CHILD'S DOCUMENTATION</b>		
N/A	Not in Canada	Visitor record	no	Passport or visitor record	District	no
	Not in Canada	Study permit	no	Study Permit	District	no
	Not in Canada	Refugee claimant	no	Refugee Protection Claimant Document from IRCC	District	yes
	Not in Canada	Reciprocal exchange	no	Details of reciprocal exchange in student file	District	yes
	n/a	Custody of MCFD or Deemed resident	n/a	Agreement under the Child, Family and Community Services	District	yes

1. Child must be of school age as defined in the School Act.

2. Supporting documentation proving that the person is the parent or legal guardian of the child.

3. Parent/Legal Guardian must provide proof of ordinarily resident in BC to claim eligibility for funding.

4. Employment must be as indicated on the permit and be a minimum of 20 hours per week.

5. Enrollment in a degree or diploma program at a public post-secondary institute in BC, or in a degree program at a private post-secondary institute in BC, OR enrolled in an ESL program of up to a year in duration at an EQA school where the completion of the ESL program is a pre-requisite for entry to the degree/diploma program.

^ Pre Removal Risk Assessment