

## **INTERDISTRICT TRANSFERS** *(KB8 Districts)*

The Dent-Phelps R-III School District provides an excellent education to students within the boundaries of the district, near the students' homes and families, and therefore does not encourage or support interdistrict transfers except in the following situations.

### **Specialized Services**

On occasion, students with disabilities require specialized services that are not offered in the Dent-Phelps R-III School District or are more efficiently offered in another district. In those situations, and at the discretion of the district, the district may contract with another district to provide the necessary services to the student. The student will stay enrolled in the Dent-Phelps R-III School District.

### **Residential Placements in other Districts**

When a resident student of the Dent-Phelps R-III School District is placed in programs or facilities in another district by the Missouri Department of Mental Health, the Department of Social Services or a court order, and the placement results in the student living in a different district, the student is still considered a resident of the Dent-Phelps R-III School District, but the district in which the student is living is responsible for educating the student. The Dent-Phelps R-III School District will pay the educating district an amount equal to the average sum produced per child by the Dent-Phelps R-III School District's local tax effort.

### **Homeless Students and Students in Foster Care**

In accordance with law, when it is in the best interest of a student who is in foster care or identified as homeless to attend his or her school of origin and that school is in another district, the Dent-Phelps R-III School District will assist the other district with the transfer and provide transportation when required to do so.

### **High School**

Because the district does not maintain a high school, the district will pay tuition for resident students to attend a high school in any public school district or approved charter school located in the same county as the Dent-Phelps R-III School District or an adjoining county, as required by law. Before the district will pay tuition for any student, the student must be currently enrolled in the Dent-Phelps R-III School District or the parent/guardian must first register with the district and verify residence in the district.

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In accordance with law, the Board will designate one or more accredited districts or approved charter schools to which the district will provide transportation. The district is not responsible for providing transportation to districts or approved charter schools that have not been designated by the Board.

### **Loss of Accreditation**

In accordance with law, if the Missouri State Board of Education declares the Dent-Phelps R-III School District unaccredited, the district will pay the tuition for resident students to attend an accredited Missouri public school or an approved charter school in the same county as the Dent-Phelps R-III School District or an adjoining county. The student must be currently enrolled in the Dent-Phelps R-III School District or the parent/guardian must first register with the district and verify residence in the district. The parents/guardians must notify the Dent-Phelps R-III School District annually by February 1, in writing and on a form provided by the district, that they are seeking transfer of the student to another district. The Dent-Phelps R-III School District will not recognize the transfer or pay tuition for the transfer unless these steps are followed. All parents/guardians of transfer students under this section must annually verify residence with the Dent-Phelps R-III School District before the district will recognize the transfer.

In accordance with law, the district will designate one or more accredited districts or approved charter schools to which the district will provide transportation. Parents/Guardians seeking to send a student to an eligible accredited district or approved charter school to which the Dent-Phelps R-III School District does not provide transportation are responsible for providing the student's transportation, but the district will pay the tuition.

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***Note: The reader is encouraged to check the index located at the beginning of this section for other pertinent policies and to review administrative procedures and/or forms for related information.***

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Cross Refs: IGBA, Programs for Students with Disabilities  
IGBCA, Programs for Homeless Students  
IGBE, Students in Foster Care

Legal Refs: ' ' 167.126.,131.,241, RSMo.  
Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. ' ' 1400 - 1417

34 C.F.R. Part 300

McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Improvements Act of 2001, 42  
U.S.C. ' ' 11431- 11435

The Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504, 29 U.S.C. ' 794

34 C.F.R. Part 104

*Breitenfeld v. Sch. Dist. of Clayton*, 399 S.W.3d 816 (Mo.banc 2013)

Dent-Phelps R-III School District, Salem, Missouri