Guidance for Reporting Part-Time Students Enrolled Outside of Resident District for Extracurricular Activities

Effective for the 2025-2026 school year

Overview

Recent updates to Nebraska Revised Statute <u>79-215(11)</u>, as enacted by LB306, require school districts to admit certain students on a part-time basis for the purpose of participating in extracurricular activities. These students may be enrolled in a private, denominational, or parochial school or a school that has elected not to meet accreditation or approval requirements (exempt school).

Per LB306, a district must admit such a K-12 student without charge for part-time enrollment if:

- 1. The student is enrolled in a nonpublic or exempt school, and
- 2. One of the following applies:
 - a. The student's resident district does not offer the extracurricular activity, and the requested district is the closest that does; or
 - b. The resident district does offer the activity, but the requested district includes the closest school offering that activity.

Additionally, the new legislation affirms that these part-time students are required to enroll in courses and participate in extracurricular activities, provided they meet local district requirements and policies.

SIS Reporting Requirements

To ensure proper inclusion of these students in state data collections, please follow the guidance below when submitting them through your Student Information System (SIS):

1. Residency Status

Use the new Residency Status code "10":

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2. FTE (Full-Time Equivalency)

These students should be reported with an FTE based on their part-time enrollment status and course participation. This FTE must be less than 100.

3. Other Required Data Elements

Districts must report the same data elements for these students as required for any other part-time student, including:

- Courses the student is enrolled in
- Attendance records while participating in district courses or activities
- Discipline incidents occurring while the student is participating in school activities or on school grounds

Data Validation

Errors and/or warnings will be created in ADVISER Validation if a student using this Residency Status code is also seen with any of the following:

- Has concurrent enrollment in another public district in Nebraska
- Is not enrolled outside of their district of residence
- Has an FTE of 100

Questions

If you have questions about reporting requirements and ADVISER submission, please contact MDE.ServiceDesk@Nebraska.gov.