

WALLINGFORD- SWARTHMORE SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: ATTENDANCE AREAS AND
ASSIGNMENT IN DISTRICT

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<p>1. Purpose SC 1310 Pol. 103, 103.1</p> <p>2. Guidelines</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">206. ATTENDANCE AREAS AND ASSIGNMENT IN DISTRICT</p> <p>The Board directs that the assignment of students to classes and schools within this district shall be consistent with the educational needs and abilities of students and the best use of district resources.</p> <p>Students attending the public schools in the Wallingford-Swarthmore School District will be assigned schools according to the attendance boundaries as outlined in this policy. In assigning students to schools within this district, no unlawful discrimination shall occur.</p> <p>The Board shall periodically review and determine the school attendance areas of the district.</p> <p><u>Nether Providence Elementary School</u> (Grades K-5)</p> <p>The Nether Providence Elementary School attendance zone includes the area bounded by Rose Valley Road (west side), between Brookhaven and Providence Roads (Route 252); Providence Road (west side) to a point opposite the rear of the property lines of Medbury Road; the rear property lines of homes along Medbury Road to the point of intersection with Chester Road (Route 320); Chester Road (Route 320) to the Ridley Creek border of Nether Providence Township; the Ridley Creek border of Nether Providence Township and Rose Valley Borough to a point directly opposite Meadowood Drive and Ridley Creek Road, the rear of the properties on Forest View Road, Tanglewood Circle, and the west side of the northernmost Todmorden Drive entrance; and Brookhaven Road from the west side of the northernmost Todmorden Drive entrance to Rose Valley Road (west side).</p> <p><u>Swarthmore-Rutledge School</u> (Grades K-5)</p> <p>Includes all of Swarthmore Borough, all of Rutledge Borough, and the sections of Nether Providence Township known as Pine Ridge, Park Ridge, Sproul Estates, and adjacent areas identified by the descriptions which follow.</p>
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Pine Ridge/Park Ridge: the north side of Baltimore Pike from the Crum Creek border of Nether Providence Township to Beatty Road (south side); Beatty Road (south side) to the Crum Creek border of Nether Providence Township to the north side of Baltimore Pike.

Sproul Estates: Chester Road (Route 320) from Route 252 to the Crum Creek border of Nether Providence Township and along the southern border of Nether Providence Township to the Ridley Creek border of Nether Providence Township; the Ridley Creek border of Nether Providence Township to Route 320 (southeast side) to the point of intersection with Route 252.

Wallingford Elementary School (Grades K-5)

The Wallingford Elementary School attendance zone includes the area bounded by the Ridley Creek border of Rose Valley Borough from the point directly opposite Meadowood Lane (Middletown) and Ridley Creek Road and continuing along the Nether Providence border to the Crum Creek border of Nether Providence Township; the Crum Creek border of Nether Providence Township to Beatty Road (north side); Beatty Road (north side) to Baltimore Pike (south side); Baltimore Pike (south side) to the Crum Creek border of Nether Providence Township; the Crum Creek border of Nether Providence Township to Chester Road; Chester Road to Medbury Road; the rear property line of homes along Medbury Road to Providence Road (Route 252); Providence Road (Route 252) to Rose Valley Road (east side); Rose Valley Road (east side) to Brookhaven Road; Brookhaven Road to the northernmost Todmorden Drive entrance and along the rear of the properties on the wide side of the northernmost Todmorden Drive entrance, Tanglewood Circle, and Forest View Road to the Ridley Creek border of Nether Providence Township at the point directly opposite Meadowood Lane (Middletown).

Strath Haven Middle School (Grades 6-8)

Students attending District Middle School must live within the boundaries of Nether Providence Township, Swarthmore Borough, the Borough of Rutledge, or the Borough of Rose Valley.

Strath Haven High School (Grades 9-12)

Students attending Strath Haven High School must live within the boundaries of Nether Providence Township, Swarthmore Borough, the Borough of Rutledge, or the Borough of Rose Valley.

SC 1310.1	<p><u>Exceptions To Attending School Other Than School In Assigned Attendance Area</u></p> <p><i>Parental Requests –</i></p> <p>Following a written request by the parent(s)/guardian(s) of a student(s) residing in the Wallingford-Swarthmore School District, the administration may determine that a student(s) has a compelling educational or related need that requires attendance in a district school outside of his/her attendance area. All exceptions of this nature must be approved by the administration. Any exception granted by the administration shall be with the proviso that the parent(s)/guardian(s) are responsible for the transportation of the student(s) to and from school and all school-related activities.</p> <p><i>Class Size Limits –</i></p> <p>The administration shall have the option to: (a) assign new registrants who arrive at the school as new residents in the district to Nether Providence Elementary School, Swarthmore-Rutledge School, and Wallingford Elementary School without regard to present attendance areas in order to adjust a class or grade when the class size in question exceeds or approaches unacceptable limits, and to (b) honor requests for voluntary transfers between schools if those transfers would alleviate a situation where the class size in question exceeds or approaches unacceptable limits. Bus transportation will be provided by the district to all reassigned students under this policy.</p> <p><u>Classroom Placement Of Twins/Higher Order Multiples</u></p> <p>A parent/guardian of twins or higher order multiples who are in the same grade level at the same school may request that their children be placed in the same classroom or in separate classrooms. The request for classroom placement must be made no later than ten (10) days after the first day of each school year or ten (10) days after the first day of the children’s attendance.</p> <p>The school shall provide the classroom placement requested by the parent/guardian, with the following exceptions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. After consultation with the Superintendent or designee, the principal determines that an alternative placement is necessary.2. After consultation with the teacher of each classroom in which the children are placed, the principal determines that the requested classroom placement is disruptive to the classroom. The principal may then determine the appropriate classroom placement for the siblings.
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<p>Pol. 906</p>	<p>3. If the request for separate classroom placement would require the district to add an additional class to the grade level of the siblings.</p> <p>The school may recommend classroom placement and provide professional education advice to the parent/guardian to assist in making the best decision for their children's education.</p> <p>A parent/guardian may appeal the principal's classroom placement of twins or higher order multiples in accordance with Board policy.</p> <p>References:</p> <p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1310, 1310.1</p> <p>Board Policy – 103, 103.1, 906</p>
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