



**Section Four: Students**

*“Together We Learn”*

**410 – ACCESS TO EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS FOR  
RESIDENT STUDENTS OVER AGE 16 YEARS**

**Introduction**

The Board of Education believes that subject to the School Act, any individual of school age and resident in British Columbia has the right to attend public school in order to obtain a secondary school education diploma (Dogwood).

**Policy**

The Board therefore authorizes that:

1. Persons resident in British Columbia may register for instruction subject to Policy 405: Student Placement.
2. Students may apply to transfer to another school as outlined by Policy 405: Student Placement and the School Act.
3. Students aged 16 years and older may continue to attend public instruction through to the completion of their school program or, if enrolled in a designated special education program, through to the age of 19 years notwithstanding Policy 480: Secondary Student Transitions and Graduation.
4. Students aged 16 years and older may lose the right to attend if they fail to comply with the "Duties of Students" set out under section 6 of the School Act.
5. Terminating the education program of a student 16 years of age and older requires a resolution of the Board in accordance with Policy 170: District Suspension Review Committee and Policy 455: Discipline.

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Related Documents: School Act Sec. 2, 6, 75,

Policies 170, 405, 455, 480