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ARTICLE 1 ENTRANCE AGE

- A. Pre-kindergarten students must be three-years (3) of age by September 30 to enroll in the Early Childhood Education program except as otherwise enrolled pursuant to applicable law. The District shall provide a special education preschool program, at no cost, to three-year old children who have been identified as disabled. Kindergarten admission shall be based on chronological age. A child who is, or will be, five (5) years of age on or before September 30, is eligible to enter Kindergarten at the beginning of the fall term. A child who is, or will be six (6) years of age on or before September 30, is eligible to enter first grade at the beginning of the fall term. A birth certificate or other documentation of birth date shall be required at the time of first enrollment. The September 30th entrance age date is effective August 18, 2008.

ARTICLE 2 ADMISSION

- A. Except as otherwise provided by state law concerning enrollment of students in out-of-home placements, students new to the District shall be enrolled conditionally until records, including discipline records, from the schools previously attended by the student are received by the District. Notice of the conditional enrollment status of new students shall be clearly indicated on all new student enrollment forms. In the event that the student's records indicate a reason to deny admission, the student's conditional enrollment status shall be revoked (see Article 3). The student's parent/guardian shall be provided with written notice of the denial of enrollment. The notice shall inform the parent/guardian of the right to request a hearing.
- B. All persons meeting entrance age requirements, who are under 21, who have not graduated from high school or received any document evidencing completion of the equivalent of a secondary curriculum (G.E.D.), and who reside within the boundaries of the District, may be permitted to attend a Platte Canyon School without payment of tuition (see Article 3 for Denial of Admission).
- C. Non-resident students from other school districts within the state may enroll in the District's schools on a space available basis without payment of tuition, subject to the restrictions listed in this Policy. In admitting non-resident students, the District shall not:
1. Make alterations in the structure of the requested school or to the arrangement or function of rooms within a requested school to accommodate the enrollment request.

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C.R.S. 22-32-119 Kindergarten
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2. Establish and offer any particular program in a school if such program is not currently offered in such school.

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3. Alter or waive any established eligibility criteria for participation in a particular program, including age requirements, course prerequisites and required levels of performance.
 4. Enroll any non-resident student in any program or school after October 1 unless approved by the Principal and Superintendent.
- C. The District may enter into a written agreement with any student's District of Residence under which the District of Residence agrees to pay tuition to allow the student to attend Platte Canyon Schools.
- D. When a non-resident student with a disability enrolls and attends school in the District, the student's District of Residence shall be responsible for paying the excess costs as determined by the District in accordance with state guidelines, laws and regulations. The District shall provide notice to the student's district of residence when a non-resident student with a disability enrolls and attends one of the District's schools.
- E. Out-of-state students who wish to attend school in the District shall be charged tuition in accordance with the per-pupil funding rate set by the Colorado Department of Education.
- F. Students who become non-residents may complete their current school year in the District and may apply for continued enrollment as a non-resident student in keeping with the non-resident provisions of this Article. G. The Board reserves the right to rescind and/or amend any enrollment of non-resident students, if, in its opinion, overcrowding of facilities or other undesirable conditions develop.
- H. The District is not obligated to provide transportation to non-resident students. Transportation for students granted permission to enroll pursuant to this policy shall be furnished by their parents to a bus stop within the District if satisfactory arrangements can be made to have the student ride on a District bus without disruption of regular routes and loading areas (not including handicapped/special education buses and routes). It will remain the decision of the Director of Transportation whether to transport a non-resident student to and from school.

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ARTICLE 3 ADMISSION OF HOMELESS STUDENTS

- A. Homeless children shall be admitted without payment of tuition. The District shall furnish in District transportation for homeless students who enroll.
- B. Each homeless child shall be provided services for which the child is eligible comparable to services provided to other students.
- C. If a homeless child is receiving family reconciliation services, the District will work in cooperation with Social Services to jointly develop an educational program for the child.

ARTICLE 4 DENIAL OF ADMISSION

- A. Admission to the schools of the District may be denied for cause. The grounds for denial of admission shall be those established by law:
 - 1. Physical or mental disability such that the child cannot reasonably benefit from the programs available;
 - 2. Physical or mental disability or disease causing the attendance of the child suffering there from to be inimical to the welfare of other students;
 - 3. Graduating from the 12th grade of any school or receipt of any document evidencing completion of the equivalent of a secondary education;
 - 4. Failure to meet age requirements;
 - 5. Having been expelled from any school district during the preceding 12 months or behavior in another school district during the preceding twelve (12) months that was detrimental to the welfare or safety of other pupils; or of school personnel; or
 - 6. Failure to comply with the provisions of Part 9, Article 4, Title 25, C.R.S. (immunization requirements).
- B. An expelled student may be prohibited from enrolling or re-enrolling in the same school in which the victim of the offense or member of the victim's immediate family is enrolled or employed when the expelled student is convicted of a crime, adjudicated a juvenile

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