

Student Tuition Policy
Policy JEDA

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to support the tuitioning of students in grades 1 through 12.

Referenced Policies

None

Referenced Legislation

- RSA 189.6
- RSA 193:4
- RSA 193:3, VI and VII
- RSA 193-E:3b, 1 a and b

Town Tuition Program Overview

- The program includes grades 1-12.
- Croydon designates Kearsarge as its anchor school district.
- Tuition in grades 1-8 will be set as follows:
    - 26/27: $17,000
    - 27/28: $17,170
    - 28/29: $17,342
    - 29/30: $17,516
    - 30/31: $17,691
- Tuition in grades 9-12 will be set as follows:
    - 26/27: $18,000
    - 27/28: $18,180
    - 28/29: $18,362
    - 29/30: $18,546
    - 30/31: $18,731

Anchor School District

The Anchor School District is the default school district for students enrolled in the town tuition program unless the parent(s) expresses an alternate preference or the Anchor School District is unable to accept the student. The Anchor School District's tuition rate to Croydon shall serve as the basis for Croydon's contribution to the tuition of a school of choice.

Transportation

Croydon will provide transportation for all students attending the Anchor School District or as required under New Hampshire law (**RSA 189:6**). If parents choose an Alternative School, they need to provide transportation. Otherwise, we cannot engage in a tuition contract with that school.

Tuition

Croydon will pay the full tuition for any Croydon student attending the Anchor School District, and up to the Anchor School District's tuition to any other tuition-receiving school. If the alternate receiving school's tuition exceeds the Anchor School District's, the parent(s)/guardian(s) will be responsible for providing the difference in tuition.

Any contracts made with tuition-receiving schools whose tuition exceeds the Anchor School District will include the provision that the receiving school will send the Croydon School District the base tuition and send the invoice for the remaining amount to the parents or guardians for any tuition that exceeds the Anchor School tuition.

Tuition contracts shall renew annually unless otherwise negotiated for a longer period of time.

Schools Approved into the Program

Croydon will follow **RSA 193:3, VI and VII**, and allow public or private school (including secular or religious schools) that meet our requirements to be included in our tuitioning program. All approved schools will be detailed on the district website to introduce families to school choice options.

Families interested in adding a school not approved by the NH Department of Education (according to **RSA 193:1**) shall be advised to begin the process at least one year in advance. Letters will be sent to families one year prior to entering the town tuition program to provide such notice.

In addition to the Anchor School, the following Alternative School options are currently approved by the School Board. All are approved for grades 1-12 unless otherwise indicated.

- Claremont Christian Academy
- Claremont School District
- Enlightium Academy
- Kimball Union Academy (only grades 9-12)
- Lebanon School District
- Mascoma School District
- Mount Royal Academy
- Newport School District
- Newport Montessori (only grades 1-8)
- Prisma (only grades 4-12)
- Sunapee School District
- Veritas Scholars Academy

Before assigning a student to an Alternative School, the Senior Education Officer, in collaboration with the Director of Student Services and the student's IEP team (if applicable) will make a determination as to whether or not placement at the desired Alternative School satisfies Free and Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) requirements based on any identified needs of the individual student. When applicable, all IEP placements shall be made by the IEP team and aim for the Least Restricted Environment (LRE) possible.

Student Performance

The tuition receiving school will provide student performance progress reports (report cards and achievements) on a regular basis and standardized testing results annually. The Croydon Senior Educational Officer (SEO) will present yearly data on students to the school board and will advise families on the progress of their children and the appropriateness of their school choice. If a significant number of Croydon students are not demonstrating growth at their current school, the SEO could advise the school board to end that contract.

Change History

Revision	Description	Date
1	Initial release.	12/19/2020
2	Added Program Overview, standardized language, added headings, adjusted ordering, assigned policy number, replaced Newport	10/21/2025
3	Added currently approved schools, added Claremont Christian Academy, restricted Newport approval, removed 25/26 details	4/9/2026
4	Reapproved Newport, added missing detail to Prisma	5/19/2026
5	Added Veritas approval, added details on Alternative Schools	6/16/2026

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