NEWARK BOARD OF EDUCATION 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR - PROOF OF RESIDENCY DOCUMENT LIST

Newark Board of Education (NBOE) annually requires each school in Newark (including district, district magnet, charter, county, and regional schools) to verify the residency of their students and to regularly maintain documentation on file confirming proof of residency. *Please see below for the documentation request:*

- ✓ <u>New Students</u>
 - <u>*Three (3)*</u> separate documents that list the same home address and the parent/legal guardian's name
 At least one (1) of the documents must be issued <u>within the 2024 calendar year</u>
 - Multiple <u>documents from within the same category will be accepted</u> and counted individually as long as they are from different issuing organizations (e.g.: a cable bill from Comcast and an electricity bill from

PSE&G will be counted as two (2) out of three (3) accepted documents)

- \circ Address cannot list a PO Box
- For the purposes of school registration, please also provide proof of age and immunization records
 Your child must be present for school registration

✓ <u>Returning Students (only applicable if returning to the same school)</u>

• <u>One</u> (1) document that lists the home address and the parent/legal guardian's name \circ Must have been issued within the 2024 calendar year \circ Address cannot list a PO Box

Below is a list of 10 types of documents acceptable for residency verification:

Document	Details
Driver's license or Identification Card	Must be current (not expired), issued within the 2024 calendar year for all returning students, and must be issued by the federal, state, county, or municipal government
Utility bills	Multiple documents from within the same category will be accepted and counted individually as long as they are from different issuing organizations; Must contain home address; examples include home phone bill, cell phone bill, cable bill, water utility bill, gas utility bill, electric utility bill
Employment documents and/or government benefits statement	Must contain home address; examples include pay stubs, pension/retirement account statements, Social Security benefit statements, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) statements, health insurance statements including Medicaid/Medicare statements, Child Support statements
NJ Division of Elections sample ballot	Must be from current year
Current lease	Can include lease from Newark Housing Authority or letter from a homeless shelter
Domicile Affidavit *	May be a notarized affidavit, along with a copy of the person's lease, or a sworn landlord's statement if a written lease does not exist* (see below). Notarized letters will no longer be accepted
Property tax or income tax bill	Must be for past year and contain home address
Mortgage statement	Must be current and contain home address
Bank or other financial account statement	Must contain home address; examples include bank statements, credit card statements, loan statements, etc.
On-going payment obligation issued by verifiable third- party	Must contain home address; examples include car payment, insurance payment, student loan payment, etc.

*A note on domicile affidavits: 1) Students are not eligible to attend school as "affidavit" students unless the student's parent or guardian is not capable of supporting or providing care for the student due to family or economic hardship, and unless it is clear that the student is not living in the district solely for purposes of receiving a public education there. 2) Students can be eligible to attend a school as "affidavit" students if the person living in the district is supporting the student were his or her own child, keeping the student for a longer time than the school term and assuming all personal obligations for the student relative to school requirements. The individual will be asked to file a sworm, notarized affidavit, along with a copy of the person's lease, or a sworm landlord's statement if a written lease does not exist.

Please provide documentation directly to your child's 2024-2025 school of enrollment