Residency Flowchart Explained

Is student a special case? (1)
Yes – follow proper procedures or call board
No – Is student under 21?

Yes – Do parents have a MS address? (2)
Yes – Any other flags about MS residency? (4a)
Yes – Does student have two proofs of MS residency (7)
  Yes – MS Resident
  No – Out of State
No – Resident

No – Student attended 4 years of MS high schools & grad in MS (5)?
Yes – Student resides in MS - has a MS address (3)?
  Yes – MS Resident
  No – Out of State

No – Does student have a MS address (3)?
Yes – Any other flags about MS residency (4b)?
Yes – Does student have two proofs of MS residency (6)
  Yes – MS Resident
  No – Out of State
No – Resident
No – Out of State

Minor

Adult
Determination of Student’s Mississippi residency

(a)

Student Special Case? (1)

YES

Follow Appropriate Procedure for Special Case

NO

Student Under 21?

Minor

YES

Parent(s) MS address? (2)

Any flags about MS residency? (4a)

NO

PIC two proofs MS Residency (7)

YES

MS Resident

Out of State

NO

MS Resident

Out of State

NO

Student MS address? (3)

Std Grad from MS or HS in MS? (5)

YES

Std two proofs MS Residency (6)

YES

MS Resident

Out of State

NO

Any flags about MS residency? (4b)

NO

Out of State

MS Resident

Out of State

Notes:

(a) Gather documentation — application to college, transcripts (HS, other college(s), GED), drivers license and other proofs of residency, military orders, visa, etc.

(1) Married and claiming spouse’s residency, child of CJC employee, MPACT beneficiary, military (active duty, spouse, child, recent discharge, etc.), visa, etc.

(2) Parent, parents or legal guardian (as appointed by a MS court)

(3) As shown on application

(4a) Anything that raises a question about parents’ residency. Example, PO Box address, proof of residency was issued after registration date, etc.

(4b) Anything that raises a question about student’s residency. Example, Out-Of-State transcript, PO Box address, proof of residency was issued after registration date, etc.

(5) Properly signed and validated MS high school transcript showing completion of all 4 years in MS and graduation date

(6) Student MS Drivers License plus another approved document (utility bill, voter registration, tax return, etc)

(7) Parent, parents or legal guardian MS Drivers License plus another approved document (utility bill, voter registration, tax return, etc)
Some Special Cases

- Married and claiming spouse’s residency
- Child of Community or Junior College employee
- MPACT beneficiary
- Military – active duty, spouse, child, recent discharge, etc.
- Foreign student

Examples

1. Nineteen year old student who listed her grandmother as her legal guardian. The student listed a physical Mississippi address on her admissions application for both herself and her grandmother (the same address). Is she a Mississippi resident?
   - Student special case (military, married to a Mississippian, etc.)?
     - NO
     - Is she under 21?
       - YES
     - Does guardian have a MS address?
       - YES (Note, that the guardianship documents are still required)
       - Any potential flags about guardian’s residency?
         - NO
         - SHE IS A MISSISSIPPI RESIDENT!

2. Student has a MS driver’s license but nothing else on the list. Car is in girlfriend’s name, he lives with parents, etc., but he is over 21. Have a copy of court papers sent to him at his physical address from the County Chancery Court. We also have a letter sent by the Selective Service to the same address as in the application. Is he in-state resident?
   - Student special case (military, married to a Mississippian, etc.)?
     - NO
     - Is he under 21?
       - NO
     - Does student have a MS address?
       - YES
       - Any potential flags about student’s residency?
         - NO
         - HE IS A MISSISSIPPI RESIDENT!
3. Applicant is currently out-of-state and she married an active duty military, can she get in-state residency?
   - Student special case?
     - YES - (military, married to a Mississippian)
     - Follow special rules for a spouse of a member of the armed forces stationed outside of Mississippi, which permits spouse to pay resident fees and tuition regardless of the length of time the spouse has resided in Mississippi (MCA 37-103-19 section 3). However, the spouse would be required to provide two documents to prove Mississippi residency
       - SHE IS A MISSISSIPPI RESIDENT!

4. Student under 21 graduated from HS in Kansas. She attended college there. She married a Mississippian, who was attending that same Kansas college last semester as an out-of-state student. He completed all four years at a MS high school. They have moved back to MS. Is she in or out-of-state?
   - Student special case?
     - YES - (married to a Mississippian)
     - Follow special rules for a spouse of a Mississippi resident, which permits spouse to pay resident fees and tuition (MCA 37-103-15). However, they would need to provide marriage certificate, and the spouse would be required to provide two documents to prove Mississippi residency
       - SHE IS A MISSISSIPPI RESIDENT!

5. Student under 21, has lived with a family member (not a legal guardian) for the past ten years. Attended the last 4 years of HS at and graduated from a MS HS. Parents live out of state. In or out-of-state?
   - Student special case (military, married to a Mississippian, etc.)?
     - NO
     - Is he under 21?
       - YES
       - Do parents have a MS address?
         - NO
         - Student attended 4 years HS at and graduated from MS HS?
           - YES
           - Student has a MS address?
             - YES
             - HE IS A MISSISSIPPI RESIDENT!