



## **SECTION IV: STUDENTS**

## **POLICY 4010**

### **ADMISSION OF PART-TIME STUDENTS**

Public school districts in Oklahoma have two major sources of funding: ad valorem taxes and state aid. Ad valorem tax receipts are controlled by the assessed valuation of the property within the geographical boundaries of the school district and are not affected by the number of students enrolled and attending school. State aid, on the other hand, is determined by calculations that factor in the number of students attending the school district. An increase in the number of students therefore results in an increase in state aid, all other factors being equal.

The regulations of the Oklahoma State Department of Education provide that students, who are enrolled on less than a full-time basis, as defined by the Oklahoma State Department of Education, may not be counted for state aid purposes. Accordingly, allowing students to enroll on a part-time basis would require the School District to provide an education for those students without receiving any additional state aid to pay for the cost of educating such part-time students.

In addition, the Board of Education of the School District believes that allowing students to enroll on a part-time basis would cause administrative disruption and make the administration and the efficient operation of the schools in the School District more difficult.

For these reasons, the Board of Education of the School District adopts the following policy governing part-time enrollment at the School District:

It is the policy of the Broken Arrow School District that all students enrolling in the Broken Arrow Public Schools must do so on a full-time basis. Full-time basis shall be defined as attending classes each day of the school week for the full instructional day within the public school system or in conjunction with another state-accredited institution such as a career technology school district or a college or university for concurrent enrollment. The only exceptions to this policy shall be for fifth-year seniors, enrollment on a part-time basis using Internet-based (online) courses for students who have dropped out of school or are or have been suspended from school, and students with disabilities whose IEPs or accommodation plans require variations on student schedules.

If at any time after the adoption of this policy Oklahoma law allows part-time students to be counted for state aid purposes, the Board will reconsider this policy.

Source: *Broken Arrow Board of Education Policy Adoption, November 2, 1998.*  
*Broken Arrow Board of Education Policy Revised, July 13, 2009.*  
*Broken Arrow Board of Education Policy Revised, December 9, 2013.*