



## ***CHESAPEAKE PUBLIC SCHOOLS ENROLLMENT INFORMATION***

Chesapeake students are expected to attend the schools zoned for their residences. The Code of Virginia §22.1-3 (A) states, “The public schools in each school division shall be free to each person of school age who resides within the school division.”

### **§22.1-264.1; Misdemeanor to make false statements as to school division or attendance zone residency; penalty:**

Any person who knowingly makes a false statement concerning the residency of a child, as determined by §22.1-3, in particular school division or school attendance zone, for the purpose of (i) avoiding the tuition charges authorized by §221-5 or (ii) enrollment in a school outside the attendance zone in which the student resides, shall be guilty of a Class 4 misdemeanor.

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### **HB 1222; Tuition liability for false statements of residency within a school division; penalty:**

Provides that any person who knowingly makes a false statement concerning the residency of a child for the purpose of avoiding tuition charges shall be liable to the school division in which the child was enrolled as a result of such false statements for tuition charges for the time the student was enrolled in the school division.

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### **§ 22.1-3; ONLY the parent or legal guardian may enroll the student.**

School divisions shall comply with the requirements of the federal McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Improvements Act of 2001, as amended (42 U.S.C. § 11431 et seq.), to ensure that homeless children and youths shall receive the educational services comparable to those offered to other public school students.

If the student is a foster child, the foster parent must provide the correct legal documentation placing the child(ren) with them. They must provide current proof of residency at the time of enrollment.

**§18.2-11; Punishment for conviction of a misdemeanor;** The authorized punishments for conviction of a misdemeanor are: (d) For Class 4 misdemeanors, a fine of not more than \$250.00. Chesapeake Public Schools will inform the Commonwealth’s Attorney of any violation of Virginia Code §22.1-264.