

Accepted Documents For Proof of Residency

Three documents are required to verify residency. You must present proof of residency within Hawthorn District #73. An adult parent/guardian must provide **one piece of documentation related to each of the three major areas outlined below:**

1. Photo Identification

2. Proof of Residence in District 73 (one document required)

Homeowners: Parent/legal guardian's name and address are listed

Current monthly mortgage statement or recent closing papers

Most recent property tax bill or copy of deed

Renters:

Proper executed lease agreement with parent/guardian's name and address listed as renter, and signature page including name, address and telephone number of landlord for verification purposes.

Others:

When a parent/guardian is not the owner or leasehold of the property in which the student resides, provide a notarized *Residency Attestation Form* completed by the owner or leasehold of the property.

3. One Additional Document Showing Name and Address (one document required)

- Current utility bill (within the last billing cycle, typically 60 days) – electric, gas, water, telephone, TV/cable
- Current homeowner or renter insurance policy statement
- Vehicle registration
- Voter Registration Card

IMPORTANT: Hawthorn District 73 may require any student to prove residency at any time.

State Law (105 ILCS 5/10-20.12b, 105 ILCS 5/14-1.11a) requires that students attending District 73 be bona fide residents of the District. Generally, to be a bona fide resident, a student must live with a parent or guardian who resides within the District. **Any person who knowingly enrolls or attempts to enroll in the schools of a school district on a tuition free basis a pupil known by that person to be a nonresident of the District or any person who knowingly or willfully presents to any school district any false information regarding the residency of a pupil for the purpose of enabling that pupil to attend any school in that district without the payment of a nonresident tuition charge shall be guilty of a Class C misdemeanor. Anyone who knowingly or willfully provides false information shall be referred for criminal prosecution.**