It is the policy of the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics to enroll only students who are legal residents of the State of North Carolina, as defined by G.S. 116-143.1, or whose parent or legal guardian is an active duty member of the armed services who is abiding in North Carolina incident to active military duty, provided the student shares the abode of that parent, by December 1 of the school year in which the student applies for admission (the tenth grade year) and who otherwise meet the admissions criteria of the School. Students may enroll at the opening of the school year if their parents or guardians have maintained legal residency or abode in North Carolina. Eligibility to remain enrolled in the School shall terminate at the end of any school year during which the student no longer maintains legal residency or abode.

The residency status of an applicant’s parents or guardian shall be prima facie evidence of the applicant’s residency status, which may be reinforced or rebutted relative to the age and general circumstances of the applicant, as shown by other evidence of legal residence provided by the applicant.

The December 1 residency deadline is waived for permanent full time NCSSM employees. Full time for employee benefits purposes is defined as three-fourths time or greater.

University regulations concerning the classification of students by residence, and interpreting G.S. 116-143.1, are set forth in detail in A Manual to Assist the Public Higher Education Institutions of North Carolina in the Matter of Student Residence Classification for Tuition Purposes. Each enrolled student is responsible for knowing the contents of that Manual, which is the controlling administrative statement of policy on this subject. Copies of the Manual are available on request at the Admissions Office.