

(5) Because of home and community environment, is subject to language, cultural, and economic disadvantages that make his completion of the regular program leading to graduation unlikely without special efforts by school authorities to provide stimulation of his potential in addition to the efforts involved in providing the regular educational programs.

SUBTITLE 7. RESIDENTIAL BOARDING EDUCATION PROGRAMS FOR AT-RISK YOUTH.
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(A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(B) "AT-RISK YOUTH" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO MEETS AT LEAST TWO OF THE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT AND AN OPERATOR THAT MAY INCLUDE:

- (1) BEING ELIGIBLE FOR FREE OR REDUCED PRICE MEALS;
- (2) A RECORD OF SUSPENSIONS, OFFICE REFERRALS, OR CHRONIC TRUANCY;
- (3) A FAILURE TO ACHIEVE A PROFICIENT OR ADVANCED LEVEL ON STATE ASSESSMENTS IN READING OR MATHEMATICS, OR BOTH;
- (4) HAVING A DISABILITY;
- ~~(4)~~ (5) A REFERRAL FROM A TEACHER, COUNSELOR, SOCIAL WORKER, OR COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICE ORGANIZATION;
- ~~(5)~~ (6) THE HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD IS A SINGLE PARENT;
- ~~(6)~~ (7) THE HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD IS NOT A CUSTODIAL PARENT;
- ~~(7)~~ (8) THE ADJUSTED GROSS FAMILY INCOME IS BELOW THE FEDERALLY ESTABLISHED POVERTY GUIDELINES;
- ~~(8)~~ (9) THE FAMILY RECEIVES TEMPORARY CASH ASSISTANCE UNDER THE STATE FAMILY INVESTMENT PROGRAM; OR
- ~~(9)~~ (10) A MEMBER OF THE FAMILY HAS BEEN INCARCERATED.

(C) "BOARD" MEANS THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF RESIDENTIAL BOARDING EDUCATION PROGRAMS.

(D) "OPERATOR" MEANS A PRIVATE NONPROFIT OR PUBLIC ENTITY THAT DEVELOPS AND OPERATES A PROGRAM.

(E) "PROGRAM" MEANS A RESIDENTIAL BOARDING EDUCATION PROGRAM THAT INCLUDES:

- (1) A REMEDIAL CURRICULUM FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL GRADES;
- (2) A COLLEGE-PREPARATORY CURRICULUM FOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADES;