Before Being Deemed Eligible....

☐ The move was from one public school district or attendance area into another public school district or attendance area of a multi-school district.

☐ The new residence is located in our school district or attendance area or we are the closest nonpublic or charter school (drivable highway miles) to the new residence.

☐ The move was with all the persons the student lived with in the last academic term (at least 30 days during the last term).

☐ “All the persons” always includes parents or stepparents and all siblings or step-siblings who lived at the former address who are under 18 and not financially self-supporting. Persons" who remain in the "former residence" shall not be the student’s parents or step-parents, shall not be the student’s siblings or step-brothers/sisters under 18 years of age, and shall not be any other family member who was part of the family unit. Depending on the circumstances it may be that adults other than parents make up the family unit (i.e. student lives with grandmother). Consult MHSAA Staff for a written interpretation.

☐ The Previous Residence is either vacant of people and possessions or sold or rented to non-family.” In some cases, some furniture may be left for real estate sale staging. Proof of rental or completed sale, foreclosure papers may be necessary.

☐ Proof of sale of New Residence or lease (one year preferred) for the new residence.

☐ Driver’s licenses and utility bills have been changed to the new address and mail is received at the new address (generally a utility bill).

☐ The family is actually residing there and personal belongings are moved into the new residence.

☐ In some situations, it may be necessary for administrators to personally visit the previous and new residence at an unannounced time and record their observations. Consult MHSAA Staff for a written interpretation.

Note: A high school transfer student who follows his or her former HS coach, newly hired in the new school, will not be eligible in that sport for one year under the Athletic Related (“Links) Rule even if a full residential change occurs.

Note: A school district may have different residency requirements. These are MHSAA eligibility minimums and must be followed regardless of the school’s internal enrollment policies. July 2019