

WEST POINT SCHOOLS ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION PAPER

90- and 180-Day Housing Waivers and Impact on Eligibility to Attend DDESS Schools

References: (a) OUSD (P&R) Memorandum, subject: "Authority to Grant 90-Day Extensions Under Rule that Sponsors Occupy Permanent Quarters of a Military Installation to Establish Eligibility in Department of Defense (DoD) Domestic Dependent Elementary and Secondary Schools," May 15, 2003

(b) Director, DoDEA, Memorandum same subject, July 23, 2003

1. An installation commander may request that the Director, DDESS, extend the 90 school day waiver by an additional 90 days based on major renovations, major construction, natural disasters, or emergency conditions that may delay assignment of housing to incoming service sponsors for a total of 180 school days (i.e., one school year) or if sponsors currently residing on the installation are forced to temporarily vacate the units until additional units are made available due to same conditions.

2. The commander's request should include a summary of the project and schedule for estimated housing units coming on and off line.

3. The responsible housing office may then issue letters to incoming sponsors or sponsors currently on an active waiting list stating that they expect to have quarters available within 180 school days.

4. Dependents of sponsors who are given a 180-day letter by the housing office will be eligible to attend the DDESS school(s).

5. Dependents of sponsors currently in quarters who are forced to vacate their units for demolition or renovation and cannot be assigned other on-base quarters will be able to complete the current school year. If the sponsor is issued a 180-day letter stating quarters will be available for his/her return to base quarters, the dependent will be eligible to re-enroll.

6. Dependents enrolled based on a 90- or 180-day letter, whose sponsors remove their names from the active waiting list or decline housing when offered, may be disenrolled in accordance with timelines established by the Director, DDESS.

7. All sponsors whose dependents are enrolled based on a 90- or 180-day school letter must sign an acknowledgement at the school that if they remove their names from the housing list or decline housing, eligibility ceases immediately and their dependents may be disenrolled at that time.

8. Dependents of the following sponsors may not be enrolled with a 90- or 180-day letter:

-Sponsors who previously occupied on-base housing and vacated by choice.

-Sponsors who previously removed their name from the active waiting list or declined housing when offered.