

HAND CARRY
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SOUTH ORANGE AND MAPLEWOOD, NEW JERSEY
PUBLIC BOARD MEETING
August 27, 2026

RESOLUTION 5015

FOR ACTION

**SUBJECT: SOUTH ORANGE–MAPLEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION
RESOLUTION OVERTURNING STUDENT REMOVAL FOR
NON-RESIDENCY**

WHEREAS, the South Orange–Maplewood Board of Education (“Board”) is responsible for ensuring that students attending schools within the district are bona fide residents entitled to a free public education pursuant to applicable New Jersey statutes and regulations; and

WHEREAS, the district conducted a residency review concerning a Student ID# 8450511809 currently enrolled in the South Orange–Maplewood School District; and

WHEREAS, the residency review included an examination of documentation, records, and any information provided by the Student’s parent(s)/guardian(s); and

WHEREAS, based upon the information gathered, the administration determined that the Student is domiciled within the geographic boundaries of the South Orange–Maplewood School District and is therefore entitled to continued enrollment without payment of tuition; and

WHEREAS, a residency hearing was held on August 25, 2026 before a committee of the Board, during which the parent(s)/guardian(s) were provided an opportunity to present information and respond to the district’s determination; and

WHEREAS, upon consideration of the information presented at the August 25th hearing, as well as all submitted materials and relevant information, the Board finds that the determination of non-residency was not made in accordance with applicable law and district policy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the South Orange–Maplewood Board of Education hereby reverses the administration’s determination that the Student is not a resident of the district; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Student shall be returned to enrollment in the South Orange–Maplewood School District effective immediately; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent or designee is authorized to take all necessary actions to implement this resolution.