

5101:2-9-45**Scholars residential center.**

(A) A scholars residential center (SRC) is a center that meets all of the following:

(1) The center is a certified affiliate in good standing of a national organization with a mission to help underserved children in middle school and high school in a comprehensive manner that:

(a) Is academically focused and service-oriented and in a family-like setting.

(b) Is voluntary and uses a competitive selection process.

(2) Is private and not-for-profit.

(3) Does not receive Title IV-E funding or any associated Title IV funds related to child welfare.

(4) Only accepts direct placement of children placed by their parents or legal guardians.

(B) A private non-custodial agency (PNA) operating as a scholars residential center (SRC) is to comply with all applicable rules of Chapters 5101:2-5 and 5101:2-9 of the Administrative Code. If there is a conflict between a requirement of any provision in this rule or any provision of Chapter 5101:2-5 or 5101:2-9 of the Administrative Code, the provisions of this rule will take precedence.

(C) A scholars residential center is exempt from the following:

(1) Any policy or component of policy that is not specific or relevant to the SRC.

(2) Discharge summaries.

(3) Case plans or service plans.

(4) Recreation and leisure activity requirements, provided that the center has a recreation area available and permits children to swim and has a person present, who has completed life-saving or water safety training.

(5) Visiting and communications policies, provided that the center ensures the children have contact with their family.

(6) Treatment focused requirements established for residential agencies.

(D) A SRC is permitted to request agency waivers.

(E) The SRC training requirements for staff include:

- (1) Orientation training, with a minimum of twenty hours of orientation within the first thirty days of hire before staff are able to be alone with the children, as described within rule 5101:2-9-03 of the Administrative Code.
 - (2) Current American red cross, American heart association, or equivalent first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation certification as described within rule 5101:2-9-03 of the Administrative Code.
 - (3) One hour of annual trauma training.
- (F) A center will provide notification and documentation of critical incidents to the child's parent(s) or legal custodian(s).

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