

returns to that country. The DoD dependent student must be enrolled in a DoD dependents school either within 1 year of the DoD sponsor's death or, if the dependent is below school age when the sponsor dies, within 1 year of the dependent's becoming eligible to enroll.

(3) Noncommand-sponsored DoD dependents who are enrolled in a DoD dependents school may remain in a DoD dependents school if their sponsor is declared missing in action or otherwise unlawfully detained for as long as the detention or missing status exists, subject to the approval of the Director, DoDDS, or designee.

(d) *Space-available, tuition-paying (nonfederally connected).* Under section 1404(c) of the "Defense Dependents' Education Act of 1978", the following minor dependents may be enrolled in a DoD dependents school upon payment of tuition if the Director, DoDDS, or designee, determines that space is available:

(1) Dependents of U.S. citizens residing in overseas areas, including dependents of retired personnel, or of deceased personnel not covered in paragraph (c)(2) of this section.

(2) Dependents of foreign nationals, when there is no objection from the host nation and when such inclusion does not displace or prevent inclusion of U.S. citizen-sponsored minor dependents seeking admission on the same basis at the same time.

(e) *Education in the Republic of Panama.* Eligibility requirements for education in the Republic of Panama are prescribed in § 71.7.

§ 71.6 Responsibilities.

(a) The *Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower, Reserve Affairs, and Logistics)* shall monitor compliance with this part.

(b) The *Heads of DoD Components* shall comply with this part.

(c) The *Director, DoD Dependents Schools*, or designee, shall:

(1) Authorize the attendance of DoD dependent students in DoD dependents schools or approved non-DoD dependents schools, or provide correspondence courses at U.S. Government expense, in accordance with this part.

(2) Authorize the enrollment of other minor dependents in DoD dependents schools, in accordance with this part, and establish priorities among those dependents within an eligibility category.

(3) Provide information and guidance to DoD sponsor regarding enrollment in DoD dependents schools, residence in DoD dependents school dormitories or approved non-DoD dependents schools dormitories, enrollment in approved non-DoD dependents schools, and receipt of correspondence courses.

(4) Establish, in coordination with the supporting installation or community commander, commuting areas around DoD dependents schools for the purpose of determining eligibility for transportation of DoD dependent students. (See DoD 4500.36-R.)

(5) Periodically review the educational programs in approved non-DoD dependents schools that are used to educate DoD dependent students to ensure that these programs are satisfactory.

(d) *Commanders of overseas installations, military communities, or activities* shall:

(1) Advise incoming and newly assigned personnel about the DoD dependent schools' commuting areas and the extent of pupil transportation service supporting the local DoD dependents schools.

(2) Assist incoming and newly assigned personnel in obtaining housing within the commuting area of the local DoD dependents school, if feasible.

(3) Advise incoming and newly assigned personnel that, if adequate housing is available within the commuting area of a DoD dependents school and if the DoD sponsor's place of employment is also reasonably accessible from that commuting area, tuition assistance will not be available to provide education in approved non-DoD dependents schools for minor dependents of DoD sponsors who elect to reside beyond the commuting area of a DoD dependents school. (see DoD 4500.36)

(4) Inform incoming and newly assigned personnel that they will not be reimbursed for unauthorized enrollments in non-DoD dependents schools.