

# Palestine Independent School District

## Administrative Offices

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### NOTIFICATION TO HOME SCHOOL

Texas Education Code §25.085 and Palestine Independent School District policy FDC (LEGAL) require each student who is at least six years of age, or who has been previously enrolled in first grade, and who has not completed the academic year in which the 18<sup>th</sup> birthday occurred, to attend school for the entire period the program is offered, unless exempted by being Home Schooled.

A student in a Home School shall be exempt from compulsory attendance IF he or she is pursuing, IN GOOD FAITH, a Curriculum consisting of BOOKS, WORKBOOKS, OTHER WRITTEN MATERIALS (including those that appear on an electronic screen of either a computer or video tape monitor), or any combination of these. THE CURRICULUM SHALL BE DESIGNED TO MEET BASIC EDUCATION GOALS OF: READING, SPELLING, GRAMMAR, MATHEMATICS, AND A STUDY OF GOOD CITIZENSHIP.

Palestine Independent School District is required by law to identify those school-age students in our District who are being Home Schooled. Should the District become aware that a student is being or will be Home Schooled, the Superintendent, or designee, may request in writing a letter of NOTIFICATION TO HOME SCHOOL USING A CURRICULUM OF READING, SPELLING, GRAMMAR, MATHEMATICS, AND A STUDY OF GOOD CITIZENSHIP.

If the parents refuse to submit the letter of notification or if the District has evidence that the school-age child is not being Home Schooled within legal requirements, the District may investigate further and, if warranted, shall pursue legal action to enforce the compulsory attendance law.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ the parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_

age \_\_\_\_\_, who lives at \_\_\_\_\_

clearly understand the compulsory school laws of the state of Texas and I will Home School

\_\_\_\_\_ during the \_\_\_\_\_ school year, beginning on

\_\_\_\_\_. I have been given a copy of policies FDC (LEGAL) and FDC

(LOCAL) and a copy of the Commissioner's November 1, 2007 letter on Home Schooling.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number

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City/State