



February 2020

Re: Residency Enforcement

Dear Parent/Guardian,

It has come to the attention of the Red Oak Independent School District ("Red Oak ISD" or "District") that some students may not meet the District's residency criteria set forth in Red Oak ISD Board of Trustees ("Board") Policies FD (LEGAL) and FD (LOCAL). The District will investigate and pursue appropriate action for individuals who do not meet the District's residency criteria and/or falsify residency documentation.

Pursuant to Section 25.001(h) of the Texas Education Code, presenting false information or false records is a <u>criminal offense</u> under Texas Penal Code § 37.10. In addition, a person who knowingly falsifies information on a form required for a student's enrollment in a district is liable to the district if the student is not eligible for enrollment, but is enrolled on the basis of false information. For the period during which an ineligible student is enrolled, the person is liable for the maximum tuition fee a district may charge or the amount a district has budgeted per student as maintenance and operating expense, whichever is greater, for the 19-20 school year.

Red Oak ISD intends to report any individual that provides false information or false records to the Red Oak ISD Police Department for possible criminal processing and reimbursement for the maximum monetary amount allowed under the law. If you have questions regarding this letter or the residency requirements of the District, please contact Cristi Watts, Red Oak ISD Director of Student Services. Additionally, all relevant District Board Policies are available online at <u>Red Oak ISD Online Policy Manual</u>.

The District appreciates your cooperation in this regard.

Sincerely,

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Mrs. Brenda Sanford Superintendent of Schools Red Oak ISD