Pearl Public School District Residency Requirements

For a child to attend a school in Pearl Public School District the custodial parent/legal guardian must prove residency. **This year the procedure will be changed for returning students who have not moved.** Parents of students who have established residency in the past and have not moved will have to sign a form attesting to the fact that the address is the same Pearl residence used the year before. These parents will not have to show proofs. If you complete an affidavit for residency, you will need to renew with current documents each year.

The custodial parent's or legal guardian's name and the physical address of the residence must appear on each of the 2 proofs.

Proof # 1 must be one of the following:

- a. Filed Homestead Exemption Application form
- b. Current mortgage document or property deed
- c. Current lease with all occupants listed or PPSD Residency Verification Form for Landlords

Proof # 2 must be one of the following:

- a. Current **gas** bill (within two months of the time the residency is being verified by school personnel) showing the service location
- b. Current **electric** bill (within two months of the time the residency is being verified by school personnel) showing the service location
- c. Current **land line telephone** bill (within two months of the time the residency is being verified by school personnel) showing the service location
- d. Current **cable/direct television** bill (within two months of the time the residency is being verified by school personnel) showing the service location
- e. Current **water** bill (within two months of the time the residency is being verified by school personnel) showing the service location

Reminders:

If a child and his/her custodial parent/legal guardian move/change residences after having enrolled in a school in Pearl Public School District, it is the responsibility of the custodial parent/legal guardian to promptly inform a school official that a move has taken place.

Any student who is admitted using false information is not legally enrolled; consequently, he/she is subject to immediate dismissal from Pearl Public School District. We will also comply with the city ordinance 2010-412, Section 16-9, which went into effect March 2010. The ordinance references misrepresentations of residency for school enrollment as unlawful, and violation will be a misdemeanor.

If at any time a school official suspects that proofs of residency have been falsified or that a student and his/her custodial parent/legal guardian are not living where documentation says that they are living, the school official has the responsibility to resolve the situation. For example, a home visit may occur; additional proofs of residency may be requested; additional questions may be asked.