

## Parental Homeschool Verification Letter

This signed statement is to verify that I, \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Parent/Guardian)

homeschool my child/children at \_\_\_\_\_  
(Address/Location of the Homeschool)

as of: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address of Parent/Guardian)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Home Telephone)

Child/Children who are homeschooled:

1. Full Name of Child: \_\_\_\_\_

Age of Child: \_\_\_\_\_ Present Grade Level of Child: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Full Name of Child: \_\_\_\_\_

Age of Child: \_\_\_\_\_ Present Grade Level of Child: \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that should my child/children seek to enroll or re-enroll in Tomball Independent School District, my child/children shall be placed initially in the grade level and/or courses at the discretion of the counselor, pending an evaluation of the child/children's academic achievement. The evaluation may include a review of the curriculum materials and the schedule of instruction used during homeschooling.

Adopted by the 74<sup>th</sup> Legislature, Senate Bill (Section 25.085) states that a child is exempt from the requirements of compulsory school attendance if the child attends a private or parochial school. The Texas Supreme Court ruled in Texas Education Agency v. Leeper that a homeschool qualifies as a private school and meets the requirements of the Texas compulsory attendance statute as long as the student in the homeschool is in good faith pursuing under the direction of a parent or parents or one standing in parental authority in or through the child's home:

*"...a curriculum consisting of books, workbooks, other written materials, including that which appears on an electronic screen of either a computer or video tape monitor, or any combination of the preceding...[and] said curriculum [is] designed to meet basic education goals of reading, spelling, grammar, mathematics and a study of good citizenship..." Texas Education Agency v. Leeper, 893 S. W. 2d 432(Tex. 1994).*

I acknowledge that (1) I have read and understand the preceding information, and that (2) I am homeschooling my child/children listed above.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent/Legal Guardian Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)