

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )  
 )  
COUNTY OF Hampton )

**SCHOOL AFFIDAVIT**  
Pursuant to Section 59-63-32(c)  
of the South Carolina Code of Laws

PERSONALLY appeared before me, \_\_\_\_\_, who being duly sworn states:

1. I am an adult resident of \_\_\_\_\_ County School District, residing at \_\_\_\_\_.  
The child, \_\_\_\_\_, DOB \_\_\_\_\_, has resided with me since \_\_\_\_\_. The child's relation to me is \_\_\_\_\_.

2. The child resides with me as a result of
- a. the death, serious illness, or incarceration of a parent or legal guardian;
  - b. the relinquishment by a parent or legal guardian of the complete control of the child as evidenced by the failure to provide substantial financial support and parental guidance;
  - c. abuse or neglect by a parent or legal guardian;
  - d. the physical or mental condition of a parent or legal guardian is such that he or she cannot provide adequate care and supervision of the child; or
  - e. the child or the child's parent or legal guardian does not have a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence or a nighttime residence that is a shelter or institution that provides temporary living accommodations.

3. The specific circumstances which led to this living arrangement are as follows:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

4. The child's claim of residency in the district is not primarily related to attendance at a particular school within the district.

5. I agree to accept responsibility for educational decisions for the child including, but not limited to, receiving notices of discipline; attending conferences with school staff; and granting permission for athletic activities, field trips, and other activities.

6. I UNDERSTAND THAT IF IT IS FOUND THAT I HAVE WILFULLY AND KNOWINGLY PROVIDED FALSE INFORMATION IN THIS AFFIDAVIT TO ENROLL A CHILD IN A SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR WHICH THE CHILD IS NOT ELIGIBLE, I MAY BE FOUND GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND, UPON CONVICTION, MUST BE FINED AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS OR IMPRISONED FOR NOT MORE THAN THIRTY DAYS AND ALSO MUST BE REQUIRED TO PAY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE COST TO THE DISTRICT OF EDUCATING THE CHILD DURING THE PERIOD OF ENROLLMENT.

SWORN TO Before me this \_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public for South Carolina  
My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

**S.C. CODE OF LAWS, TITLE 59, CHAPTER 63, PUPILS GENERALLY**  
**SECTION 59-63-32.** Requirements to enroll child in public school; affidavit; penalties for providing false information.

(A) The school district may require an adult seeking to enroll a child who resides with the adult pursuant to Section 59-63-31(1)(c) to accept responsibility for making educational decisions concerning the child. These educational decisions may include, but not be limited to, receiving notices of discipline pursuant to Sections 59-63-230 and 59-63-240, attending conferences with school staff, and granting permission for athletic activities, field trips, and other activities as required.

(B) The school district also must require an adult to complete and sign an affidavit:

- (1) confirming the qualifications set out in Section 59-63-31(1)(c) establishing residency of the child in the school district;
- (2) attesting that the child's claim of residency in the district is not primarily related to attendance at a particular school within the district; and
- (3) accepting responsibility for educational decisions for the child.

(C) Upon receipt of the affidavit provided for in subsection (B), the child must be admitted to an appropriate school pending the results of any further procedures for determining eligibility for attendance within the school district.

(D) If it is found that information contained in the affidavit provided for in subsection (B) is false, the child must be removed from the school after notice of an opportunity to appeal the removal pursuant to the appropriate district grievance policy.

(E) If it is found that a person willfully and knowingly has provided false information in the affidavit provided for in subsection (B) to enroll a child in a school district for which the child is not eligible, the maker of the false affidavit is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, must be fined an amount not to exceed two hundred dollars or imprisoned for not more than thirty days and also must be required to pay to the school district an amount equal to the cost to the district of educating the child during the period of enrollment. Repayment does not include funds paid by the State.

(F) The affidavit which is required by school districts under this section must include, in large print, the penalty for providing false information on the affidavit.