

# Exeter Township School District

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Dear Guardian:

As a guardian of a child attending the Exeter Township School District, the attached "Affidavit and Indemnification Relating to Pupils and Attendance" form must be completed each school term. As you read it, please note that it clearly outlines the specifics of Sections 1301 and 1302 of the Pennsylvania School Code. **It is necessary for a guardian to provide a sworn statement that indicates you are supporting a child gratis, are assuming all personal obligations for the child relative to school matters, and that you keep and support the child continuously and not merely through the school term.**

Be advised that if it is determined that the sworn statements made in the affidavit are misrepresentations of fact relating to the status of the child, you will be obligated to reimburse the district for the cost of the child's tuition, as well as attorney's fees and other costs.

Beginning with the 2010-11 term, an appointment must be made with the building principal or assistant principal to turn in the completed, notarized form prior to the beginning of each school term or before the child begins attending school. The notarized affidavit can not be turned in without a scheduled meeting with a building administrator. Your prompt attention regarding this matter is necessary.

Sincerely,

Principal

EXETER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Reading, Pennsylvania 19606

**AFFIDAVIT AND INDEMNIFICATION RELATING  
TO PUPILS AND ATTENDANCE**

(The School Law of Pennsylvania Article XIII)

Section 1301. Every child, being a resident of any school district in this Commonwealth, between the ages of six and twenty-one years, may attend the public schools in his district subject to the provisions of this act.

Section 1302. A child shall be considered a resident of the school district in which his parents or the guardian of his person resides. When a resident of any school district keeps in his home a child of school age, not his own, supporting the child gratis as if it were his own, such child shall be entitled to all free school privileges accorded to resident school children of the district, including the right to attend the public high school maintained in such district or in other districts in the same manner as though such child were in fact a resident school child of the district, and shall be subject to all the requirements placed upon resident school children of the district: Provided, that before accepting such child as a pupil, the Board of School Directors of the district may require such resident to file with the secretary of the board a sworn statement that he is a resident of the district, that he is supporting the child gratis, that he will assume all personal obligations for the child relative to school requirements, and that he intends to keep and support the child continuously and not merely through the school term.

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This is to certify, under penalty of perjury, that I/we, \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Name of Resident)

the undersigned, living at \_\_\_\_\_, am/are (a)  
(Address)

resident(s) of Exeter Township School District, Berks County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,

and that I/we am/are \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_  
(Relation to Child) (Name of Child)

whose parents or guardians live at \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Parents' Address)

I swear and affirm that I/we am/are supporting (that is, providing all food, shelter, clothing, health care, transportation, incidental expense money, etc., for) the above-named child without compensation or reimbursement. I hereby agree to provide to the Superintendent of the Exeter Township School District or the District employee he designates with a copy of page one of my Federal Income Tax form that documents that I am financially supporting the above-named child. The copy of this form must be presented to the superintendent or designee no later

than April 30 of each year. In addition, I hereby agree that Exeter Township School District officials may make unscheduled visits to my home to confirm that the above-named child is, in fact, residing with me. Further, I agree that I will assume all personal obligations for the child relative to school requirements. Also, I swear and affirm that I intend to keep and support the child continuously throughout the year and not merely through the school term. I/we understand and agree that if the Exeter Township School Board determines, after a hearing, that the statements made in this affidavit are untrue and that the above-named child is not actually residing within the District and being supported by us as required by Section 1302 of the School Code, then I/we will be obligated to immediately reimburse the District for the cost of the child's tuition, as well as for attorney's fees and other costs incurred by the District.

Sworn to and subscribed  
before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Resident

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Spouse (if married)

This is to certify, under penalty of perjury, that I/we

\_\_\_\_\_ living  
(Name of Non-Resident Parent or Guardian)

at \_\_\_\_\_  
(Address)

and affirm that the facts set forth in the foregoing affidavit are true and correct. I/we understand and agree that if the Exeter Township School Board determines, after a hearing, that the statements made in this affidavit are untrue and that the above-named child is not actually residing within the District and being supported by the persons with whom the child resides as required by Section 1302 of the School Code, then I/we will be obligated to reimburse the District for the cost of the child's tuition, as well as for attorney's fees and other costs.

Sworn to and subscribed  
before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Non-Resident Parent or Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature if Non-Resident Parent or Guardian  
Spouse (if married)

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