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## Evidence and Declaration of In-Zone Residence

## This document is to be signed in front of a member of Senior Management <u>on the morning</u> <u>your child begins school</u> with two forms of evidence attached.

The address given at the time of application for enrolment **must be** the student's <u>usual</u> <u>and genuine place of residence</u>. This means that if you currently live at an in-zone address, but move to an out-of-zone address before your child's first day of attendance at the school, your child will not be entitled to enrol at the school.

A student is considered to be *'living in the home zone'* when his/her <u>usual</u> place of residence, during the time school is open for instruction *e.g. week days/nights during term time*, is at an address within the home zone and intends to remain within the zone.

The onus is on the parent to provide <u>at least two pieces of evidence</u> which will enable the Principal and Board of Trustees to determine whether the given address will be the student's <u>usual</u> place of residence, during the times that the school is open for instruction.

The Board of Trustees reserves the right to determine whether a given in-zone address is genuine and the usual place of residence of any student.

The Ministry of Education has advised that parents should also be warned of the possible <u>consequences of deliberately attempting to gain unfair priority in enrolment</u> by knowingly giving a false address or making an in-zone living arrangement which they intend to be only temporary eg:

- > Renting in-zone on a short-term basis, then moving to an out-of-zone address
- > Arranging temporary board in-zone with a relative or family friend
- Using the in-zone address of a relative or friend as an "address of convenience", with no intention to live there on an on-going basis
- Stating that the student's usual place of residence is with one parent at an in-zone address, when the children actually resides mostly with the other parent out of zone

If the school learns that a student is no longer living at the in-zone address given at the time of application for enrolment and has reasonable grounds to believe that a temporary in-zone residence has been used for the purpose of unfairly gaining priority in enrolment at the school, then the Board may review the enrolment. Unless the parents can give a satisfactory explanation within 10 days, the Board may annul the enrolment. This course of action is provided for under Section 110A of the Education Act 1989.

| Checklist                                                 |  |
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| I have attached two forms of evidence                     |  |
| as proof of in-zone residence                             |  |
| <ul> <li>I have read the information contained</li> </ul> |  |
| in this letter and understand the legal                   |  |
| requirement to provide true and                           |  |
| accurate details of residence                             |  |
| <ul> <li>I will advise the school of any</li> </ul>       |  |
| subsequent change of address                              |  |
| <ul> <li>I understand that all enrolment forms</li> </ul> |  |
| and evidence of address required                          |  |
| <u>must</u> be received/signed off at the                 |  |
| office <b>BEFORE</b> my child is taken to                 |  |
| class for the first time                                  |  |

Date: .....