PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITIES REGARDING DISTRICT RESIDENCY
(per Board Policy AR5111.1 District Residency)

While most families abide faithfully by the rules of the District, each year there are a few families who enroll their children illegally in our school system. Such action can be seen as a compliment to our fine teachers, but the District believes that teaching children to lie by the example of our own actions is worse than any extra benefit they may receive from attending our schools.

The District must also treat all families equally; it would be extremely unfair to families who follow our rules if they had to watch other families deceive the District without recourse. Thus, the District regrets that it has to retain the services of a Residency Validation Consultant to conduct investigations as appropriate.

All parents are also required to read and sign the following statement so that the District can have the highest level of confidence that every family is aware of its responsibility as a member of our school community.

1. Unless prior approval has been formally granted, all students must be residents of the School District. Residence is defined as living in the District seven days per week.

2. It is the responsibility of each parent to keep on file with the child’s school an accurate and up-to-date address of the child’s residence. A Post Office Box is NOT an acceptable address.

3. Not all Menlo Park and Atherton street addresses are in the Menlo Park City School District. Please verify the street address on the SchoolLocator which is on the District’s website.

4. Parents who move during the school year are required to inform their child’s school of their new address no later than the date of moving.

5. Parents who move out of the District and have complied with the above notification requirement may be allowed to have their children remain in District schools until the end of the current trimester, pending an approved Interdistrict transfer from their new district of residence.

6. Parents who violate the District’s residence rules, or who move out of the District without filing proper notification, will forfeit the opportunity for their children to remain in District schools for the remainder of the current school year. Furthermore, parents who violate residency or notification rules will forfeit all future opportunities for their children to attend Menlo Park City School District schools as a nonresident.