Enrollment and Residency Update

Regular School Board Meeting August 27, 2012

Current Data

- We currently have 8,387+ students enrolled as of August 26, 2012
- There are over 5,000+ families enrolled in the GPPSS
- Of the 700 letters that went out for expiring leases, over 550 have already provided required verification documents
- We have enrolled 775 new students to GPPSS as of August 26, 2012
- (As with past practice, all new families are required to sign an affidavit form verifying their documents and residency)

DATA as of August 26th

- We have 431 new Kindergarten students
- Our largest group of new students (beyond kindergarten) is the incoming *9th grade class* with **104** new students to the GPPSS
- In 1st through 12th grade, there are approximately 400 new students to GPPSS
- Out of the 400 new students, 140 came from Non-Public Schools

Past and Ongoing Practices

- All students at all times are monitored for current residency
- Landlord Affidavit and Notarized Statements (now include listing of all children and adults living in residence)
- Obtained signed form acknowledging that the information is accurate and the right of the District to bring legal action for payment of tuition due to false representation of information
- Ongoing investigations per tips or concerns and episodic home visits
- Data summary on website of enrollment eligibility investigations and results

Past and Ongoing Practices

- Policy 5111 regarding rights of the District to seek prosecution for fraud or perjury for making false statements on student enrollment forms
- Continued required documents for proof of residency
- Continuéd use of Form A through D
- Continued statement of possible prosecution due to false statements or perjury on signed documents
- FAQs established in 2008 are available on website

Changes in forms and process

- Month to Month Lease Re-verifications
- Car Registration and Car Insurance is now listed as one of the options from the list of current bills needed to demonstrate residency
- Letters sent to over 700 families to verify lease agreements that may be expiring soon
- Aligning information received from municipalities regarding evictions, foreclosures, expiring leases with school enrollment and residency databases

Additional points to consider

- Statement of Residency Affidavit signed by all families in the beginning of the 2012-2013 school year
- Tuition rates for Students found in Violation of State Residency Requirements

Enrollment and residency verification

School District website - Enrollment and Residency <u>http://gpschools.schoolwires.net/page/1037</u>

Enrollment Forms

- Enrollment Frequently Asked Questions and Policy <u>http://gpschools.schoolwires.net/page/1038</u>
- State Requirements for Enrollment Eligibility <u>http://www.michigan.gov/documents/residency_12</u> <u>2548_7.pdf</u>