

# TOWN OF STRATTON – SCHOOL DISTRICT

## STRATTON AFFIDAVIT CONCERNING PUPIL RESIDENCY

1. Answers to the following inquiries are necessary in determining residency within the school district. To make this process as stream-lined and expeditious as possible, please fill this form out completely prior to submission. (Please see the attached information sheet (page 7) listing the necessary accompanying documents.)
2. For your reference, the below statute is how the state of Vermont determines residency within a school district:  
16 VSA 1075, Section 3:  
*(3) For the purposes of this title, "resident" of the State and of a school district means a natural person who is domiciled in the school district and who, if temporarily absent, demonstrates an intent to maintain a principle dwelling place in the school district indefinitely and to return there, coupled with an act or acts consistent with that intent.*
3. It should be immediately noted that residency within the school district is initially determined by the Superintendent and is mutually exclusive from the Homestead Tax, voter registration, driver's license and income taxes. Additionally, being granted residency within the school district previously *in no way* guarantees you future approval. Your qualifications can be reviewed yearly, and those findings and determinations will be independent from anything previously decided.
4. If at any time the Stratton School Board has reason to believe that the conditions of residency have changed, the Board has the right to request up-to-date information/proof of residency of the parties in question.
5. If you make an answer, which you know is false, you may be criminally prosecuted, receive jail time and/or be fined up to \$10,000. You may also be responsible for reimbursing the town for any tuition paid. See 13 V.S.A §, False Claim

I have read and understood the above statements numbered 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of legal guardian #1)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of legal guardian #2)

### General Information:

1. Name of all pupil(s), current school and grade enrolled in:
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_
  - d. \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_
  - e. \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please include all children, even if not yet attending school.

2. Address where pupil(s) presently lives:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. Please advise if the pupil(s) has a driver's license: Y or N (please circle one)
  - a. Please list the state the license was issued in: \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Does the student have a vehicle they drive regularly: Y or N (please circle one) If yes, please provide the make, model, color and plate number: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**NAME OF GUARDIAN #1:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Relationship to student(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**(Questions 4-16 pertain to this party)**

4. Contact Information:  
Home Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Work Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

5. On what date did you move to Stratton?: \_\_\_\_\_  
a. Please list the address you moved to Stratton from: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Current Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Physical address: \_\_\_\_\_  
a. Is this address owned/rented/other?: \_\_\_\_\_

8. Is this a continuous, regular and adequate residence? \_\_\_\_\_

9. Is this the primary nighttime residence? \_\_\_\_\_  
a. How many nights are spent at this address weekly: \_\_\_\_\_

10. Do you own, rent or have an existing living arrangement (formal or informal) with any properties other than the one listed above? Y or N (please circle one) If no, please skip next question.

11. Please list ALL properties owned, rented and all properties with an existing living arrangement (formal or informal) and that property's existing and intended use. (i.e. list the property's address and explain that it's a vacation home or rental property) IMPORTANT: If the above guardian's former residence is among those properties listed, please advise of the status of that property. (Vacant, on the market, rented, etc....)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

12. Motor vehicles:  
a. Please list all vehicle, motor or recreational, registered in the town of Stratton: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please list the make, model, color and plate number of the vehicle you drive most frequently: \_\_\_\_\_

b. Do you have any vehicles, motor or recreational, registered outside the town of Stratton? Y or N (please circle one) If yes, please list and explain: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

13. Work Information:  
Name of Company: \_\_\_\_\_  
Company Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Employer's Name and Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
How many days are spent in the office monthly? \_\_\_\_\_

14. If this guardian has a dog, is it registered in the town of Stratton?: \_\_\_\_\_  
a. If not, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

15. Does this guardian have any local family or close friends?:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

16. What brings this guardian to the area and the town of Stratton?:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**NAME OF GUARDIAN #2:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Relationship to student(s):** \_\_\_\_\_  
**(Questions 17-29 pertain to this party)**

17. Contact Information:  
Home Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Work Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

18. On what date did you move to Stratton?: \_\_\_\_\_  
a. Please list the address you moved to Stratton from: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

19. Current Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

20. Physical address: \_\_\_\_\_

a. Is this address owned/rented/other?: \_\_\_\_\_

21. Is this a continuous, regular and adequate residence? \_\_\_\_\_

22. Is this the primary nighttime residence? \_\_\_\_\_

a. How many nights are spent at this address weekly: \_\_\_\_\_

23. Do you own, rent or have an existing living arrangement (formal or informal) with any properties other than the one listed above? Y or N (please circle one) If no, please skip next question.

24. Please list ALL properties owned, rented and all properties with an existing living arrangement (formal or informal) and that property's existing and intended use. (i.e. list the property's address and explain that it's a vacation home or rental property) IMPORTANT: If the above guardian's former residence is among those properties listed, please advise of the status of that property. (Vacant, on the market, rented, etc....)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

25. Motor vehicles:  
a. Please list all vehicle, motor or recreational, registered in the town of Stratton: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please list the make, model, color and plate number of the vehicle you drive most frequently: \_\_\_\_\_

b. Do you have any vehicles, motor or recreational, registered outside the town of Stratton?  
Y or N (please circle one) If yes, please list and explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

26. Work Information:  
Name of Company: \_\_\_\_\_  
Company Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Employer's Name and Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
How many days are spent in the office monthly? \_\_\_\_\_

27. If this guardian has a dog, is it registered in the town of Stratton?: \_\_\_\_\_  
a. If not, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

28. Does this guardian have any local family or close friends?:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

29. What brings this guardian to the area and the town of Stratton?:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

30. Has the pupil's residence within the school district been established solely for the purpose of attending the schools thereof: \_\_\_\_\_
31. Are the Parents divorced: Y or N \_\_\_\_\_
- a. If yes, please explain the custody agreement: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

**If the pupil lives with someone other than the parent(s) please complete # 32-41.**

32. Name of person(s) with whom the pupil lives: \_\_\_\_\_
33. Contact Information:
- Home Number: \_\_\_\_\_
- Work Number: \_\_\_\_\_
- Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_
- Email: \_\_\_\_\_
34. Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_
35. Physical address: \_\_\_\_\_
36. Relationship of each said person(s) to the pupil: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
37. Why is the pupil living with said person(s)?: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
38. On what date did the pupil move in with this person(s)?: \_\_\_\_\_
39. Is the person(s) with whom the pupil is staying paid any money for food, housing or for keeping the pupil?: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
40. For how long is the arrangement with the person(s) with whom the pupil is staying: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
41. Has the person(s) with whom the pupil lives become legal guardian of the pupil: \_\_\_\_\_

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you may be criminally prosecuted, receive jail time and/or be fined up to \$10,000.  
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See 13 V.S.A §, False Claim**

Please fill out the following dwelling section(s) that apply to you:

1. I began renting this Stratton residence, which I now claim as my (and the pupil('s)) primary residency on: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please provide a copy of the rental agreement/lease). The property owner's name and number is: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
2. I purchased the Stratton residence, which I now claim as my (and the pupil('s)) primary residence on: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please provide a copy of the Vermont Property Transfer Tax Return [PTTR] for this sale.)
  - a. To receive tuition for my Pre-K – 12<sup>th</sup> grader, I am aware that my Homestead Declaration must be filed on the first and every subsequent April 15<sup>th</sup> that I claim my residence as primary: \_\_\_\_\_ (Initial) \_\_\_\_\_ (Initial)
  - b. I understand that no tuition payments will be made for my student(s) if I fail to file my Homestead Declaration with the Vermont Department of Taxes. \_\_\_\_\_ (Initial) \_\_\_\_\_ (Initial)
  - c. I filed my VT Homestead Declaration with the Vermont Department of Taxes: Y or N
    - i. If "N" to 2c: I have since filed or shall immediately file a Vermont Homestead Declaration with the Vermont Department of Taxes and I will keep the Stratton School Board informed of my Homestead status. \_\_\_\_\_ (Initial) \_\_\_\_\_ (Initial)
    - ii. If "N" to 2c: I did not file a Vermont Homestead Declaration with the Vermont Department of Taxes for the following reason(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**After you have read and understood each of the following statements,  
please initial in the space provided. Space has been provided for two guardians.**

The foregoing facts are sworn in order to induce the School District to enroll the pupil(s) in the schools servicing the Town of Stratton:

I certify that the student's residence within the Town of Stratton has not been established solely for the purpose of attending the schools thereof. \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that I do not have a principle dwelling place in another town. \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that I have intent to maintain a principle dwelling place in the school district indefinitely.  
\_\_\_\_\_

I certify that I understand the residency requirements and that I know the penalty for fraudulent registration.  
\_\_\_\_\_

I understand that I may be subject to CRIMINAL prosecution, and may be responsible to reimburse the town, if I have knowingly answered any of the above questions falsely: \_\_\_\_\_

My signature below indicates that if, after further investigation, any of the above information included in the questionnaire is fraudulent, the pupil may no longer receive paid tuition from the Town of Stratton. Further, I understand that I will be billed for tuition at the current daily rate from the first day of attendance through the last day of attendance and I agree to pay such bill. Finally, I understand that I may be subject to CRIMINAL prosecution if I have knowingly answered any of the above questions falsely.

The foregoing statements made by me are true and correct: (Guardian #1)

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Pupil: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

The foregoing statements made by me are true and correct: (Guardian #2)

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Pupil: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# APPLICATION CHECK SHEET

INCOMPLETE PACKETS  
WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

## **Required Personal Documents:**

- Completed "Affidavit Concerning Pupil Residency"
- Vermont Vehicle registrations for all vehicles
- The enrolling child(ren)'s birth certificate(s) or passports
- Guardian's valid Vermont Driver's License (showing Stratton residence)
- Copy of a voided check showing local address
- If applicable:** Vermont driver's licenses for eligible students
- If applicable:** Divorce documents referencing custody agreements
- A *current* utility bill in the name of the parent(s)/guardian/custodian with the local address.
- A *current* packing slip (or copy) showing name, recent date and physical local address (i.e., UPS or Fed EX)

## **Required Property Documents:**

- If a Property Owner – Proof of Ownership with Homestead tax status or Proof of Ownership with a completed Homestead Affidavit with PTTR.
- If Renting – Lease Agreement or Landlord's Letter along with a copy of your most recent rent payment.

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## **If Applicable:**

- Guardianship Documentation
- Foster Home Documentation