

STAFF/STUDENT RELATIONS

(Parent/Guardian Notice of Electronic Communications with Students)

Staff members of Lamar R-1 are encouraged to communicate with students for educational purposes using a variety of effective methods, including electronic communication. When communicating electronically with students, staff members are required to use district-provided communication devices, accounts, web pages and social networking sites, when available.

Some staff members are given permission to communicate with students on a limited basis using the staff member's personal telephone numbers, addresses, web pages or accounts (including, but not limited to, accounts used for texting) for the purpose of organizing or facilitating a district-sponsored class or activity (for example, text messaging students participating on an athletic team or on an overnight field trip). **Your student is currently participating in such an activity.**

To facilitate these authorized communications, your student will be asked to provide his or her contact information to staff members to use to communicate with your student. This information includes, but is not limited to, your student's mobile phone number and e-mail address(es).

The district's policies, regulations, procedures and expectations regarding in-person communications at school and during the school day apply to electronic communications for educational purposes, regardless of when those communications occur. Staff communications must be professional, and student communications must be appropriate. Staff members may only electronically communicate with your student between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m.

If you are not in agreement with this process, or if you would like staff members to use contact information other than what may be provided by your student, please contact the principal of your student's school.

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