



KINSHIP CAREGIVER'S AFFIDAVIT

Use of this affidavit is authorized by O.C.G.A. Section 20-1-16.

This form should be completed by the adult with whom the student is residing. This form shall be completed for students living in the Ben Hill County School District (District) who do not live in the home of their parents or guardian.

I hereby certify that the child named below lives in my home and I am 18 years of age or older.

1. Name of child: _____

2. Child's date of birth: _____

3. My full name (kinship caregiver giving authorization): _____

4. My home address: _____

5. I am a kinship caregiver.

6. I have assumed kinship caregiver status because of one or more of the following circumstances (check at least one):

- A parent being unable to provide care due to the death of the other parent.**
- A serious illness or terminal illness of a parent.**
- The physical or mental condition of the parent or the child such that proper care and supervision of the child cannot be provided by the parent.**
- The incarceration of a parent.**
- The loss or uninhabitability of the child's home as the result of a natural disaster.**
- A period of active military duty of a parent exceeding 24 months; or**
- I am unable to locate a parent or parents at this time to notify them of my intended authorization because (list reasons):** _____

7. Name of parent(s) or legal custodian(s): _____

8. Address of parent(s) or legal custodian(s): _____

9. Phone numbers and email addresses of parent(s) or legal custodian(s): _____

10. Kinship caregiver's date of birth: _____

11. Kinship caregiver's State of Georgia driver's license number or identification card
number: _____

**WARNING: DO NOT SIGN THIS FORM IF ANY OF THE
STATEMENTS ABOVE ARE INCORRECT OR YOU WILL BE
COMMITTING A CRIME PUNISHABLE BY A FINE,
IMPRISONMENT, OR BOTH.**

I recognize that if I knowingly and willfully make a false statement in this statement of facts, I will be guilty of the crime of false swearing.

Kinship Caregiver's signature

Kinship Caregiver's printed name

Date

Sworn to and subscribed

before me this _____

day of _____, _____

NOTICES:

- 1. This declaration does not affect the rights of the named child's parent or legal guardian regarding the care, custody, and control of the child and does not mean that the kinship caregiver has legal custody of the child.**
- 2. A person that relies on this affidavit has no obligation to make any further inquiry or investigation. However, Ben Hill County Schools may request additional information before enrolling the child to assist with enrollment determination.**
- 3. This affidavit is not valid for more than one year after the date on which it is executed and will expire at the end of the school year in which the affidavit was executed. All kinship caregivers will be required to complete a new form at the beginning of each school year.**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

TO KINSHIP CAREGIVERS:

- 1. If the child stops living with you for a period of more than 30 days, you are required to provide notice not later than 30 days after such period to anyone to whom you have given this affidavit as well as anyone of whom you have actual knowledge who received the affidavit from a third party.**
- 2. If you do not have the information in item 11 of the affidavit (State of Georgia driver's license or identification card), you must provide another form of identification such as your social security number.**

TO SCHOOL OFFICIALS:

- 1. The school system may require additional reasonable evidence that the kinship caregiver resides at the address provided in item 4 of the affidavit.**

TO HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS AND HEALTH CARE SERVICE PLANS:

- 1. No person that acts in good faith reliance upon a kinship caregiver's affidavit to render education services or medical services directly related to academic enrollment or any curricular or extracurricular activities, without actual knowledge of facts contrary to those stated in the affidavit, shall be subject to criminal prosecution or civil liability to any person, or subject to any professional disciplinary action, for such reliance if the applicable portions of the form are completed.**
- 2. This affidavit does not confer dependency for health care coverage purposes.**