



Brownsville Independent School District

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Electronic Communication between Employees and Students Exceptions for Family and Social Relationship 2018-2019 School Year

In accordance with administrative regulations, a certified or licensed employee, or any other employee designated in writing by the Superintendent or a campus principal, may use electronic media to communicate with currently enrolled students about matters within the scope of the employee's professional responsibilities. All other employees are prohibited from using electronic media to communicate directly with students who are currently enrolled in the District

An employee is not subject to these provisions to the extent the employee has a social or family relationship with a student. For example, an employee may have a relationship with a niece or nephew, student who is the child of an adult friend, a student who is a friend of the employee's child, or a member or participant in the same civic, social, recreational, or religious organization. An employee who claims an exception based on a social relationship shall provide written consent from the student's parent. The written consent shall include an acknowledgement by the parent that:

- The employee has provided the parent with a copy of this protocol (see above)
- The employee and the student have a social relationship outside of school;
- The parent understands that the employee's communications with the student are excepted from district regulation; and
- The parent is solely responsible for monitoring electronic communications between the employee and the student.

Please acknowledge each guideline above with a check mark (✓) and fill out the authorization below:

I, _____, authorize _____
Parent Employee

to communicate electronically with my child _____
Student Name

in accordance with the exception guidelines as listed in the administrative regulations.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

School: _____

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