

NOTICE OF NONCOMPLIANCE WITH ALABAMA COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE

LEGAL NOTICE

SCHOOL: Gulf Shores City Schools

TO: Parent/Guardian

TAKE NOTICE, pursuant to the Code of Alabama (1975) § 16-28-16 that:

- No valid reason for non-enrollment or nonattendance of your child/children at school has been found. State law, Code of Alabama (1975) § 16-28-3, requires all children between the ages of 7 and 17 attend school. Further, even if your child is not between the ages of 7 and 17 but is enrolled in school, it is your responsibility under the law to ensure the attendance of your child/children. In addition, § 16-28-12 requires the parent or guardian of the enrolled child to ensure that the child properly conducts him/herself as a pupil in any school in accordance with the written policy on school conduct as adopted by the local board of education.
- 2. If your child is absent from school without a valid excuse or good reason as defined by the written policy of the Gulf Shores City School Board, you are required to ensure your child/children attend school within three days from the date of this notice. Further, you are required to ensure that your child properly conducts him or herself in accordance with the written policy on school behavior.
- 3. If your child/children miss(es) one or more days of school without valid excuse or does not properly conduct him or herself while at school, I am required by state law and school board policy to bring criminal prosecution against you.
- 4. If criminal prosecution occurs, you will be charged with the violation of § 13A-13-6, Code of Alabama (1975) for contributing to or causing the delinquency or dependency of a minor (as defined in § 12-15-1). This offense is punishable by a fine of up to \$500 or a sentence to hard labor for the county for a period not to exceed twelve months, or both. Alternatively, you could also be charged with noncompliance of § 16-28-12(a), Code of Alabama, punishable for up to 90 days in jail or up to a \$100 fine or both.