

SB 9 Contractor Certification

Independent Contractor

Introduction: Texas Education Code Chapter 22 requires an independent contractor who provides services to a school district to submit to a criminal history review if the independent contractor will have continuing duties related to the contracted services and direct student contact. Each independent contractor must certify to the District that the contractor has complied.

The district may not obtain criminal histories for individual independent contractors: The law requires each contractor to obtain the criminal histories of its covered employees. For more information or to set up an account, a contractor should contact the Texas Department of Public Safety's Crime Records Service at 512-424-2474.

A covered independent contractor with a disqualifying criminal history is prohibited from serving at a school district. The following offenses are disqualifying: (1) a conviction or other criminal history information designated by the District; (2) a felony or misdemeanor offense that would prevent a person from obtaining certification as an educator under Texas Education Code 21.060, including an offense listed at 19 Tex. Admin. Code 249.16; or (3) one of the following offenses, if at the time of the offense, the victim was under 18 or enrolled in a public school: (a) a felony offense under Title 5, Texas Penal Code; (b) an offense for which a defendant is required to register as a sex offender under Chapter 62, Texas Code of Criminal Procedure; (c) an equivalent offense under federal law or the laws of another state.

I certify to _____ Independent School District ("District") that I have obtained all required criminal history record information regarding myself through the Texas Department of Public Safety's Fingerprint-based Applicant Clearinghouse of Texas (FACT). I further certify to the District that I do not have a disqualifying criminal history. I agree to notify the District in writing within 3 business days if I am arrested or adjudicated for a disqualifying reason during the contract term.

I agree to provide the District, upon request, my full name and any other requested information so that the District may obtain my criminal history record information. I understand that the District may terminate my services at any time if the District determines, at its sole discretion, that my criminal history is not acceptable.

Noncompliance or misrepresentation regarding this certification may be grounds for contract termination.

Signature

Date

Return your completed form to:
PISD Purchasing Department
1401 W. Pecan
Pflugerville, TX 78660