## TRUANCY COURT NOTICES

## **RIGHT TO APPEAL AND PROCESS**

Under Family Code Chapter 65 Subchapter D, you are notified that the child, the child's parent or guardian, any other person subject to an order of the Truancy Court, or the state, may appeal any order of this court to the Brazoria County Juvenile Court by giving notice of appeal to this court within 21 days of the date of the order. Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 506 applies to an appeal, except that no appeal bond is required. The appeal will be de novo in the Juvenile Court, which means you will be entitled to a new trial.

## **RIGHT TO REQUEST SEALIING OF RECORDS AND PROCESS**

A child found to have engaged in truant conduct may apply, on or after the child's 18th birthday, to this court to seal records relating to the allegation and finding of truant conduct that are held by the court, truant conduct prosecutor, and school district. The application for sealing must include:

the child's full name, sex, race or ethnicity, date of birth, driver's license or identification card number, and social security number;

the dates on which the truant conduct was alleged to have occurred; and

the cause number and court information included above.

If any information is unknown, please explain why the information is not included.

If this court determines that the child has complied with the remedial order that was imposed in the case, it shall order the records sealed. This means that any future inspection of sealed records may only be permitted by an order of the court on the child's petition. Then, on or after the child's 21st birthday, the court may order the destruction of the sealed records.