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Dear Parent,

This letter is to inform you that Oates Elementary was identified under the Public Education Grant (PEG) program, authorized under the Texas Education Code 29.201 – 29.205.

The list of schools identified on the PEG list is effective for the 2007-08 school year. This list identifies campuses at which 50 percent or more of the students did not pass TAKS in any two of the preceding three years. Oates Elementary had more than 50% of the *Grade 5* students fail TAKS Science in the school years 2003-04, 2004-05 and 2005-06.

Under the Public Education Grant, intradistrict transfer provision, a parent of a student enrolled in any of the campuses listed on the list may make application to attend another campus in the same district. Additionally, a parent may also make application to attend a campus in any other school district for the 2007-08 school year. I have attached a document containing *Frequently Asked Questions* concerning the PEG program. The methodology for identifying schools on the 2007-08 PEG list can be found at: http://www.tea.state.tx.us/taa/perfreport121206a2.pdf

Oates Elementary received a rating of <u>Not Rated</u> by the state Academic Excellence Indicator System (AEIS) 2005-06 goals as a campus that received this rating under provisions due to Hurricane Rita. Oates Elementary met all of the federal No Child Left Behind goals for 2005-06 and is rated as <u>Met Adequately Yearly Progress</u> (AYP).

Please feel free to call me if you have any questions concerning the PEG program.

Respectfully,

Robert Reid Oates Principal

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