

## **HB1403 Updates and Clarifications August 2009**

First, undocumented students without Social Security numbers must have attended high school (or received a GED in Texas. PLEASE NOTE: The law does not say they must have resided in Texas for 3 years, it says they must have ATTENDED SCHOOL in Texas for 3 years. THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT LEGAL DISTINCTION.

Second, HB 1403 specifies no college enrollment PRIOR TO FALL 2001. Anyone who was enrolled in college or dual enrolled in high school/college, after that time **IS** eligible.

Third, any student who qualifies for admission as a Texas resident under HB 1403 is eligible for ANY state funds as would be any other resident, as well as for some scholarships, i.e., those for which criteria do not require citizenship.

Fourth, at the moment, it **IS** true that a student might have to reaffirm eligibility for resident tuition under HB 1403 at each institution where they choose to enroll, but they may move as freely between institutions as their time and resources or interests allow.