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TO: Houston Area Public High School Guidance Department

On behalf of the Houston Relocation Professionals (HRP), I would like to announce that our organization will be offering a scholarship opportunity again in 2017. Eligibility requirements remain the same as last year. The scholarship program is limited to qualified students in the Houston area public school systems.

The Houston Relocation Professionals is a non-profit organization that brings together corporations and relocation service providers in and around Houston for the primary purpose of providing educational information and current industry updates to its members. As part of our commitment to Relocation, the HRP looks to assist other entities in the Houston area involved in the process of relocating families. As I am sure you would agree the public school system can be a very important part of the relocation process for children moving into the Houston area.

The HRP sponsors a scholarship program for current high school seniors who have relocated into the Houston area sometime between grades 9 (after 8th grade graduation) and 12. The HRP would like to encourage your students to apply. The one-time award of \$2,500 will be presented to two (2) Houston area accredited high school seniors in 2017. The award will be sent to the college that the student will be attending to be applied towards tuition.

The HRP will select the scholarship winners based on the strength of their total application package. The student will be evaluated on academic performance, extra-curricular activities, and on their composition of an essay discussing the way they handled the challenges associated with relocating to a new area and a new high school.

We look for your assistance with the following items:

- 1) Identifying eligible high school seniors based on the following criteria:
 - a. The student relocated more than 50 miles and changed schools at some point between grades 9-12 as a result of their family's relocation, and

- b. Achieved a current cumulative grade point average of 3.0 on a scale of 4.0 (or equivalent achievement on a different scale)
- 2) Making eligible students aware of this scholarship opportunity and encouraging their participation. Please post the scholarship application on your website or in your newsletter to seniors. An electronic version of the application is available.
- 3) Providing academic performance information including grades and major test scores (SAT) to accompany the student's application.

I have enclosed the HRP Scholarship application package. Please distribute as needed. **We must receive all applications by February 15, 2017 to allow time for evaluations and selections.** We will be contacting both the selected scholarship recipients and their high schools prior to our meeting to invite them to a presentation at the meeting. One Finalist will be submitted to worldwide ERC for a potential additional award!

Please contact me if you need any additional information. I can be reached at (713) 937-1115 x 4402, or email don.rupe@graebelmoving.com. To find out more about the HRP, please visit our website at www.HoustonReloPros.org .

Thank you very much for your consideration, and we look forward to working with you and your staff to encourage student participation in this scholarship opportunity.

Sincerely,



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