



PARENT PERMISSIONS & AGREEMENTS 2018-2019

Student Name: _____ Class: _____

Confidentiality Statement

Young children have not yet developed a sense of judgment about the difference between information that can be shared about their families and information that properly stays within the family. Very often young children are the source of much gossip, much conversation about the private lives of their families. Teachers and caregivers unwittingly become the receivers of shared confidences from both children and their parents. It is critical that these confidences are not repeated to others.

Annandale Cooperative Preschool stresses the importance of protecting the rights and privacy of children, their families, and teachers. The practice of maintaining the confidentiality of verbal information and written records is a basic policy of our preschool. This practice is in accord with one of the primary ethical principles of professional behavior in early childhood settings. The identity of children and their families should be revealed only in cases of professional necessity such as suspected child abuse or neglect, developmental records, or special family circumstances.

I agree to respect the confidentiality of verbal and written reports of children, families, and teachers within the preschool.

Student Photo Release

Please read below and select one of the two release options by initialing where indicated.

Initial one:

_____ Full Release

I hereby **GRANT** permission for photographs of my child to be taken during classroom instruction, day-to-day activities, and school-related events. I understand that the images may be used by Annandale Cooperative Preschool for such purposes as publicity, illustration, introductions, school promotions, and internet content. I acknowledge the school's right to edit and treat the media at its discretion, including the use of photographs at a future time.

I understand that while Annandale Cooperative Preschool will take every precaution to remove any indication of name, age, and location identifiers on all digital files, once an image of my child is posted on the ACPS website, the image can be downloaded by any computer user, inside or outside of our preschool community.

_____ Partial Release

I hereby grant permission for photographs of my child to be taken during classroom instruction, day-to-day activities, and school-related events. I understand these photos are shared with the class privately, via a password-protected photo sharing system. However, I **DO NOT GRANT** permission these photos to be used for any purpose outside of the school (website, promotional materials, etc.)

If you have questions or concerns regarding this photo release, please contact the Director of Education.

Internet and Information Safety Pledge

Through anecdotal stories and photographs, we can now share information faster and more easily than ever before. With that in mind, we also realize that in this technological day and age, a person's online identity and reputation, even at this early stage, is something that must be protected. In order to reduce the risks associated with information transfer, Annandale Cooperative Preschool introduces this Safety Pledge as a means to heighten awareness and responsibility.

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Internet and Information Safety Pledge (continued)

- I pledge to practice and promote responsible photo taking and sharing within the classroom environment. If a picture is worth 1,000 words, let those words be fun and positive.
- If I do wish to share photos with family and friends outside of the preschool, I pledge to send those pictures that only contain my child, unless I've obtained permission from the parents of the other children in the photo. Even if I have that permission, I pledge not to 'tag' other children in photos on social media sites.
- I pledge to review all photos prior to sharing to ensure that children are presented appropriately.
- I pledge to use Facebook, and other social media sites, responsibly. I will do my best to remember my comments and photos on these sites are shared as public record, and will ask family and friends to follow the same precautions when they discuss online content.

I understand that members volunteering to work on the ACPS website, internet content, and promotional materials pledge to make every effort to strip all files of any indication of name, age, and location (as much as we can, given our preschool-age students and physical address), as well as pledge to identify each child whose face is visible in a photo and honor the relevant photo release related to each child.

Notice of Intent for Classroom Pet or Visiting Animal(s)

Your classroom teacher would like the opportunity to have a classroom pet/visiting animal(s) during the school year.

- The pet and/or visiting animal will have documentation from a veterinarian, animal shelter, or pet shop to show the animal is fully immunized (if the animal should be so protected) and is suitable for contact with children.
- Classroom pets and/or visiting animal(s) will appear in good health.
- Animals which are suspected of being ill or infested with lice, fleas, ticks, or internal worms will be removed from the premises immediately.
- Teaching staff and/or cooping parent are required to supervise all interactions between children and animals.
- The teacher and/or animal's handler, will instruct the children safe on behavior when in close proximity to animals.
- Children and staff are required to wash their hands with soap and water immediately after handling an animal. The teacher or cooping parent will supervise children to be sure their hands are washed thoroughly.

Initial (select one):

_____ I approve of a classroom pet and/or visiting animal(s)

_____ I DO NOT approve of a classroom pet and/or visiting animal(s)

I have read, understood, and agree to the 2018-2019 Parent Permissions and Agreements. If, at any time, I wish to change any of the indicated permissions above, I will contact the Director of Education.

Parent/Guardian #1 Signature

Date

Printed Name

Parent/Guardian #2 Signature

Date

Printed Name