

# Tulare County Office of Education

*Tim A. Hire, County Superintendent of Schools*

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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Consent and Authorization for Students Participating in Events and Activities of the Tulare County Office of Education**

Tulare County Office of Education, which includes the Tulare County Superintendent of Schools and the Tulare County Board of Education (collectively referred to as “TCOE”), provides curriculum and instruction support to students throughout the Central Valley. In addition, TCOE has a proud tradition of engaging and promoting student learning through student events and activities. This includes, but is not limited to, after-school programs, student engagement experiences, and a variety of other student programs, activities, and events (“Events/Activities”) including those listed at [tcoe.org/StudentEvents](http://tcoe.org/StudentEvents), and any and all Events/Activities offered by TCOE programs.

The Events/Activities may be conducted in a traditional live and/or in-person format, or it may be conducted through a virtual format. For some of the Events/Activities, students may submit their own projects as a part of the Events/Activities, which may include digital images, writings, books, photographs, video recordings, audio recordings, etc. (collectively referred to as “Student Works”) and TCOE and/or its designees may photograph, video record, or audio record student participation and student work during the Events/Activities (collectively referred to as “Recordings”).

To help facilitate the Events/Activities and to allow for staff, community, and student engagement and participation in the Events/Activities, TCOE and/or its designees may elect to use, share and/or publish Student Recordings and/or Student Works with both public and private entities/individuals through a variety of mediums, including but not limited to online platforms, social media, print and digital media, publications, and broadcasts, including on TCOE’s internet website and internal intranet. **If you consent, please check the applicable boxes for Consents 1 and 2:**

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#### **TCOE Consent and Authorization [Consent 1]**

This Agreement provides consent for the student named below (“Student”) to participate in the Events/Activities, and for TCOE and/or designees to the use, publish, and share the Recordings and Student Works.

**I. CONSENT: Parent consents and gives permission for Student to participate in TCOE Events/Activities. In addition, Student and Parent give consent for:**

- a. TCOE and/or any of its designees to make Recordings of Student.
- b. TCOE may, but is not required to, publish, use, display, and/or broadcast Recordings and/or Student Works of Student to public and private

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entities/individuals through a variety of mediums, including but not limited to online platforms, social media, print and digital media, and publications and broadcasts, including on TCOE's internet website and internal intranet. This may also include information about the Student, including but not limited to Student's image, words, name, age, school of attendance, and/or grade level.

- II. RIGHTS:** Student, Parent, and TCOE acknowledge that, unless otherwise provided by a separate agreement, all rights in the Student Works of Student, including any original works of authorship fixed in any tangible medium of expression, conceived or first reduced to practice by Student and submitted as part of the Event/Activity, shall be owned by Student. Outside of the use of such Student Works of Student by TCOE pursuant to this Agreement, Student retains the right to use such Student Works in any manner permitted by law.
- III. LICENSE:** Student and Parent hereby grant TCOE a nonexclusive, perpetual license to use, copy, modify, merge, publish, or distribute the Student Works without notice or compensation, both (1) internally for the educational mission of TCOE, and (2) externally, including online, as part of a TCOE-run, sponsored, or supported student engagement experience. This license shall be revocable by the Student upon thirty days (30) written notice to TCOE, at the name and address listed below.
- IV. RELEASE:** I further waive any right to inspect or approve the Recordings and/or Student Work of Student prior to TCOE or its designees sharing or publication. I agree to release TCOE and its designees from any claims, damages, losses, costs, or liabilities, including reasonable attorney's fees, that I may ever have in connection with the taking or use of the Recordings and/or Student Work of Student, including, but not limited to, any and all claims for copyright infringement; invasion of privacy; defamation; false light or misappropriation of name, likeness or image.

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## **News Media Release – Consent and Authorization [Consent 2]**

My signature below indicates that Student and Parent have read and understand this form and voluntarily authorize and give consent for:

- The news media to make Recordings that include Student.
- The news media to use Student's likeness and image.
- The news media to use, publish, and/or share the Recordings of Student with public and private entities/individuals through a variety of mediums,

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including but not limited to online platforms, social media, print and digital media, and publications and broadcasts, including its website.

This form is optional and failure to return the completed form will not prohibit the Student from participating in the Event/Activity.

My signature below indicates that I have read and understand this Media Release – Consent and Authorization form and that I voluntarily authorize the consents stated above.

This Agreement is effective upon the latest date of signature.

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|-----------------------|----------------------------|---------------|
| _____<br>Student Name | _____<br>Student Signature | _____<br>Date |
| Teacher: _____        |                            |               |
| School: _____         |                            |               |

***A parent or legal guardian signature is also required for students younger than 18 years of age.***

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| _____<br>Parent/Legal Guardian Name | _____<br>Parent/Legal Guardian Signature | _____<br>Date |
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If you have any questions about this form, please contact the Events/Activities coordinator.

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