

PATRICK COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
PARENT/GUARDIAN PERMISSION FOR STUDENT EXPOSURE
TO ANIMALS IN SCHOOL

Name of Student: _____

School: _____ Grade/Teacher: _____

PART I: TO BE COMPLETED BY TEACHER/STAFF

Dear Parents/Guardians,

PCPS guidelines require that we obtain parental permission prior to student contact with animals in school. We understand that allergies, asthma, immune problems, or other health concerns may make animal contact inappropriate for your child.

I would like to plan for the following animal to visit my classroom for academic purposes on _____.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Cat | <input type="checkbox"/> Rabbit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dog | <input type="checkbox"/> Reptile or Amphibian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ferret | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please explain: _____) |

I verify that I will confirm that the animal(s) brought into school is clean and free of disease by inspecting documentation for a current rabies vaccination certification, health certificate from a licensed veterinarian, and proof of current vaccinations. I also agree to supervise the entire human-animal contact session, have a clean and disinfected area for showing the animal (s), not allow food or drink in the animal showing area, and dispose of waste with the use of plastic bag and gloves.

Note: Under no circumstances will students be allowed to clean cages or handle animal waste products. The following animals are not permitted in schools" venomous or toxin-producing animals (e.g., certain spiders, insects, reptiles, and amphibians), wild or exotic animals, mammals at high-risk for transmitting rabies (e.g., bats, raccoons, skunks, foxes, and coyotes), non-human primates, stray animals, baby chicks and ducks, turtles with a carapace length less than 4", or aggressive/unpredictable animals.

PART II: TO BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/GUARDIAN:

I, _____, (circle one) **do/do not** permit the student identified above to be
(Parent/guardian name)
in contact with the animal listed below for academic purposes on _____.
(Date)

PART III: TO BE COMPLETED BY PRINCIPAL/ADMINISTRATOR

I, _____, permit the animal identified above to be brought into school
(Principal/administrator's name)
for academic purposes on _____.
(Date)

(Signature of Parent/Guardian) (Date)

(Signature of Teacher/Staff) (Date)

(Signature of Principal/Administrator) (Date)

Adopted: February 8, 2018

