



PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT AND CONSENT FOR SERVICES

Parents as Teachers Missouri Curriculum Partner

Family Name: _____

What is Parents as Teachers?

Parents as Teachers is an early childhood home visiting program designed to help you learn more about parenting, support your child's development, and help with challenges of parenting. Your participation is voluntary and there is no cost.

PROGRAM COMPONENTS

DIRECTIONS: Complete upon enrollment and update annually.

Personal Visits (*virtual or in-person*) – During your personal visit, a certified parent educator shares information about your child's development, shares an activity for you and your child to engage in and helps you with any parenting questions or concerns.

Developmental Screening – Conduct a yearly developmental screening and health review to get a clear picture of your child's strengths, emerging skills, and any area of concern. If concerns are identified that may affect the future learning of your child, you will discuss additional resources that will provide the help your child needs. We do not diagnose any conditions.

Group Connections (*virtual or in-person*) – Parents are invited to attend group connections at a variety of locations to meet other parents, hear experts speak on parenting topics and child development or share interactive activities with you and your child.

Resource Network – Your parent educator will help connect you with resources and organizations that will help you meet your family's needs and goals.

PARENTS AGREE TO...

- ✓ Be present for and participate actively in all scheduled visits turning off all electronics and screens.
- ✓ Visits in-person or virtual.
- ✓ Share what you have observed about your child.
- ✓ Engage in the activity and follow up with the learning.

Pet Policy: *While we understand that your pets are an important part of your family, we have regretfully found a need to establish a pet policy. As a result of some serious animal allergies and incidents of animal threats and bites to staff members on home visits, we ask that you contain your pets in another part of your home during the home visit. This will provide a safe environment for our visit and allow us to completely focus on your child. Thank you for your cooperation.*

Cancellation Policy: If you need to cancel or reschedule, please contact your Parent Educator at least **24 hours in advance**. If you miss **three** visits without canceling or rescheduling, you will be put on the waiting list.

YOUR PARENT EDUCATOR WILL...

- ✓ Work together to set and reach goals for you and your family.
- ✓ Inform you of milestones expected at each stage of your child's development.
- ✓ Help you be a good observer of your child.
- ✓ Collaborate to build on your strengths and skills.
- ✓ Personalize information to fit with your family's needs, concerns and hopes.

CONFIDENTIALITY

By providing your consent, your individual information may be shared with THE DEPARTMENT OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION to meet requirements of this program.

The data includes information on the PAT services provided to your family, information you provided to the parent educator about your family, and information on forms you fill out as a participant in our program. For reporting purposes, your data will be summarized, limited data (this means that your name and any information that personally identifies you will not be connected to the data), may be reported to Parents as Teachers National Center (PATNC) and to DESE.

Parents as Teachers Missouri Curriculum Partner will not release identifiable information outside the program without your written permission with the following exceptions:

- Our program may share information without your consent in order to protect you or others from serious harm (for example, if a family member plans to harm him or herself, if a family member plans to harm another person, or if there are concerns about abuse or neglect of a child or elderly person).
- Our program may release information if we receive a court order requiring us to do so.

Questions or concerns? You can ask your parent educator now or contact the program supervisor, Stephanie Kane at:

kanestephanie@rsdmo.org

PLEASE REVIEW AND SIGN

_____	_____	_____
Printed Name of Parent Educator	Signature of Parent Educator	Date
_____	_____	_____
Printed Name of Parent /Guardian	Signature of Parent/Guardian	Date
_____	_____	_____
Printed Name of child participating	Printed Name of child participating	Printed Name of child participating

ADDITIONAL YEARS OF PARTICIPATION

Year 2	Parent Educator Initials: _____	Date: _____
	Parent/Guardian Initials: _____	Date: _____
Year 3	Parent Educator Initials: _____	Date: _____
	Parent/Guardian Initials: _____	Date: _____
Year 4	Parent Educator Initials: _____	Date: _____
	Parent/Guardian Initials: _____	Date: _____
Year 5	Parent Educator Initials: _____	Date: _____
	Parent/Guardian Initials: _____	Date: _____

LIMITS OF OUR SERVICES

Our Parent Educators are certified, trained professionals but they are not psychologists or medical professionals. They do not diagnose developmental, psychological, or medical conditions. However, we can help you connect to quality professionals and resources that can assist in these situations.