

# PARENTAL CONSENT FOR COUNSELING

Texas Academy of Mathematics and Science ♦ University of North Texas

In order to assist students in their adjustment at TAMS and to help them with emotional and/or personal problems that may develop, counseling services are available at no cost to the student or to his or her family. Dr. Patrick Turnock, Academy Psychologist, is a licensed psychologist with a specialty in adolescent issues. He is assisted by a UNT graduate student in psychology under his supervision. Both are available to meet with students for daytime or evening appointments. In addition to the dedicated TAMS counseling service, TAMS students also have access, as fee-paying UNT students, to counselors through the UNT Counseling and Testing Center. A separate consent form is included.

Students will be informed about the counseling services during fall orientation and at their wing meetings. They will also receive details of how to make an appointment. This information is also printed in the TAMS Student Handbook.

All records regarding a student's counseling are kept strictly confidential and are not included with other student records.

If your son or daughter is under age 18, then we need your permission to provide psychological services or counseling. In some situations, including mental health emergencies, a signed permission form would *not* be required in order for us to render help. However, it is strongly recommended that you sign the attached form and return it so that professional help in non-emergency situations may be provided to the student.

## PARENTAL CONSENT FORM

I agree to allow \_\_\_\_\_ to receive counseling services from  
(Student's Name)

Dr. Patrick Turnock or TAMS counseling staff while enrolled at the Texas Academy of

Mathematics and Science. I understand that I may revoke this consent at any time by signing and dating a written notice to that effect.

Parent/Guardian  
Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_