Parent & Student-Commitment Compact

Thank you for supporting your child to participate in the University of Texas at El Paso’s Work With A Scientist Program. As a result of participation, your son/daughter will have an opportunity to experience what it feels like to work with a real scientist at the University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP). Your son/daughter will develop and implement a research project of his/her interest, collect and analyze data, and present research findings at a public forum.

As the parent/guardian you will play a critical role in furthering your son/daughters’ educational experiences, including the possibility of your child pursuing a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics) related career. The program will offer several incentives including:

• Receive a 4th year of science credit early
• Receive a $450 stipend, which will be distributed to you proportionally throughout the project (i.e., $100 by the end of May, $100 by the end of June, $100 by the end of July, and $150 six months after the program graduation when you complete the follow-up interviews/surveys)
• Experience a college/university environment
• Work closely with UTEP students, professors, and scientists

Commitment:
We therefore, ask that you commit to supporting your son/daughter in meeting the following expectations:

Parent/Student Initials:

______ ______ I will ensure that my child attends the scheduled events, participates in program activities, and completes all assignments and projects.

______ ______ I understand that my child may be dismissed from the program if he/she has excessive absences.

______ ______ I will contact the teacher of record to report any absences or concerns I have about the program. (students will be provided with phone numbers)

______ ______ I fully understand the course syllabus and that my child will receive a 4th year of science credit and stipend for completing the course/program.

______ ______ I will work closely with the High School staff members to ensure that my child is successful in the program

______ ______ I understand that a High School teacher will be assigned to supervise and monitor my child’s attendance and progress throughout the entire program.

______ ______ I understand that transportation will be provided for travel to and from the High School to UTEP for all scheduled activities.

Student Name (Print): ____________________________ Parent/Guardian Name: (PRINT) ____________________________
Student Signature: ____________________________ Parent/Guardian Signature: ____________________________
Date: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________