Evaluation Consent

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the University intends to conduct a thorough program evaluation of this year’s Summer Program for Incoming Students (SPIS). From this evaluation, we hope to learn about your student’s experiences in SPIS and the impact he/she thinks it had. We hope to use this information to make modifications and improvements in future programs and to better understand the ways in which the program affected its participants.

During the evaluation, your student will be asked to complete a brief questionnaire at the beginning of the program and then complete another at the end. Each questionnaire will take about 30 minutes to complete. In addition, he/she may be asked to participate in a group discussion, led by SPIS evaluation staff, who is interested in hearing from participants firsthand. This discussion will last about an hour.

There are no risks to you by being involved in this evaluation. Since SPIS is a new program, your evaluative comments will help ensure that future participants will have a positive experience and benefit from the program to the highest degree possible.

All information gathered from you during this process will be confidential. Only program staff involved in evaluating the program will have access to the survey and interview results.

Although parents are not obligated to participate in the evaluation, we greatly value your comments. If you have any questions about the evaluation, please do not hesitate to ask us.

Your signature below indicates your willingness to allow your child to participate in the evaluation. Additionally, it indicates your willingness to be included in the follow-up evaluation described above.

Name of SPIS Participant: ____________________________________________

☐ Yes  ☐ No      My student has permission to participate in the evaluation of SPIS

☐ Yes  ☐ No      I am willing to participate in the evaluation of SPIS

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Student Signature                        Date

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Parent/Guardian Signature                Date