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Waiver for Use of Online Platforms

Due to the current school closure as a result of the COVID-19 virus, school districts are tasked with the responsibility of keeping learning going for all students. At South Coast ESD, we provide services to students who have an IEP that outlines their specific learning needs. Given that we cannot have direct face-to-face interactions, we have to look at other ways to interact with students, and one such way is through video conferencing. These platforms do not all have the ability to be completely FERPA and HIPPA compliant, however, there are ways to minimize the potential for breaching of confidentiality.

Below is how South Coast ESD intends to use virtual platforms to interact with students during the COVID-19 School Closure. This will allow us to set up a virtual classroom where your student can have direct interaction with their teacher and/or other students. If you agree to the following terms, you are agreeing for South Coast ESD staff to use virtual platforms to access you and your student.

Virtual platforms could be used for the following:

- Holding IEP, eligibility, and other team meetings
- Direct teacher/staff interaction with a student, or group of students
- Explaining how to complete a given work task assigned to the student



Scan to submit electronically

Virtual platforms carry the following risks:

- Not 100% FERPA and HIPPA compliant. Security measures such a password, controls over who we let in, etc will be implemented
- If more than one student is on at a time, everyone in the meeting can see what is occurring in the background as well as what your child is working on
- Some have the capability for recording. This feature will not be used

By signing below and returning in the envelope included, you are acknowledging that you understand how the virtual platforms could be used, and the liabilities that come along with them. Your acknowledgment of this form is your permission for South Coast ESD to use virtual platforms to get interaction with you and/or your student. Or you can scan the code on this form and submit you acknowledgment electronically. You also understand that it is not 100% FERPA and HIPPA compliant and you will not hold South Coast ESD liable for this. We agree to use all the security measures possible within the given platform to make the interactions as confidential as possible.

____ Yes, I agree to let South Coast ESD use online virtual platforms to include my student.

____ Yes, I agree to let South Coast ESD use online virtual platforms to include my student AND other students.

Signature

Printed Name

Date