ATLANTA PUBLIC SCHOOLS Media Release Form

Atlanta Public Schools (APS) may photograph, videotape and/or voice record students, using their images, likenesses and voices in APS approved photographs, videos, publications, internet, news, media interviews, social media and web pages for special district and school related projects or publicity.

Your student may be asked a variety of questions concerning school and school related activities and programs, and the contents of the interview and/or content collected may be published or aired publicly. Your student will be under the supervision of a District and/or a school staff member during the interview or photo session.

Although students will be appropriately prepared for interview and photo sessions, your student reserves the right to refuse to answer any questions or participate in any discussions that make him/her feel uncomfortable. Additionally, your student and/or the supervising District or school staff member reserves the right to terminate the interview, photo, or video session at any time for any reason.

Neither APS, nor the news media, has any obligation to air or publish the image, photos, videotape and/or voice of any student. Neither you nor your student will receive any monetary compensation for these rights, and your student’s appearance or the use of his/her voice in any publication, photo, internet, or televised form does not confer any ownership rights to you or your student.

APS records and maintains audio recordings and video or photographic footage and audio recordings of students on school property and at school events in locations including, but not limited to, parking lots, school buses, lunchrooms, classrooms, and hallways. Such information is used and maintained for district level projects, including but not limited to, video production, school/District/personnel publications and websites, blogs, or social media. In many cases, recordings contain peripheral video or photographic footage of students engaged in day-to-day activities including, but not limited to, walking to class, and attending class or school activities. Your student may be seen/heard in peripheral video footage, photographic images, or audio recordings.

**Parents/Guardians who do not agree with the terms of this media release form should acknowledge their objection by completing the signature section below. Objections are valid for one school year and must be renewed each school year.**

**I hereby OPT OUT of the terms presented in this media release form and do not give my student permission to participate in an Atlanta Public Schools sanctioned interview nor allow my student’s likeness to be collected through photography, videography, and/or audio recordings.**

**Parent/Guardian Signature**

**Parent/Guardian Email Address**

**Date**

**School Administrator Signature**

**Date**