**Timpanogos Middle School**

Counselors: Amy Watts, Monica Cox, Crystal Freeman, Jenny Pinter & Alicia Power

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LETTER OF PERMISSION

(COUNSELING SESSIONS)

The counseling staff of Wasatch County School District strives to help all children feel a part of our learning community. Occasionally, we find that students can benefit from counseling services. Your child, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, has been referred to receive such services.

We may talk about the following subjects in the course of our discussion or counseling session(s): crisis intervention, ideas, feelings, behaviors, attitudes, social skills and problem-solving skills.

During the course of our discussions(s), students may discuss their personal views and experiences as appropriate.

Information disclosed from counseling discussions/ sessions is strictly confidential unless not disclosing such information would be harmful to the student or others.

Please note that school counseling interventions are provided to help your child succeed in the school setting. School counseling should not replace professional counseling/therapy for non-school issues.

Please understand that under the law, your child cannot participate in the counseling discussions unless and until this signed letter of permission is returned to the counseling department.

FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVAVCY ACT

SECTION 53 A -13-302, Utah Code, provides that parents must be notified at least two weeks prior to a school activity or planned discussion which is intended to cause a student to reveal private feelings or information.

I give permission for my child, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_to participate in the anticipated discussion(s) as described above and waive the two-week notification requirement.

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Parent Signature Date

Please sign and return this form to your teacher of counselor: School Year 2019-2020