**Lehman High School**

**Animal Science Courses**

**Permission Form: Handling & Working Companion/Livestock/Equine Animals**

**Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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Dear Parent(s) or Guardian(s),

One of the attractions of Agricultural and Animal Science classes is the use of companion animals and certain species of livestock for the purpose of hands on education. Students will have the opportunity to safely learn and perform tasks and skills related to both small and large breed animals. The following species are included in classroom skills labs but not limited to: dogs, cats, small exotics, reptiles, horses, cattle, goats, swine and sheep. All animals permitted on campus will be under direct supervision of the agricultural science teacher and will not be left unattended at any time.

Any and all animals permitted on campus for agricultural and veterinary science classes is required to provide annual proof of the state & area required vaccinations such as canine/feline rabies, canine DHLPP, bordatella, equine rabies, equine infectious anemia, tetanus, encephalomyelitis, influenza, and strangles. All vaccine records will be verified prior to animal use in the classroom.

The district and its employees shall be held harmless in the event that the animal damages property or causes harm to anyone on campus. The district follows all applicable laws and regulations to protect the health and safety of the campus community and those animals which it permits on campus.

By signing below, I give permission for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to participate in classroom skills labs involving the previously mentioned animals. I acknowledge the risks associated and understand that the district will not be held liable for any accidents or damage done by the animal being used.

Student Name (Print) Student Signature Date

Parent Name (Print) Parent Signature Date