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# ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION

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## ANIMALS IN SCHOOL APPROVAL FORM

Deerfield Community School District  
Request for Approval Form for Animals in the Classroom

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Building: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Rm. #: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of animal: \_\_\_\_\_

Please answer the following questions.

1. YES NO Do any students have known allergies to the animal you intend to have in your classroom?  
\_\_\_\_\_ Number of students who have allergies to animals or animal dander.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Number of students who have asthma.
2. YES NO Did any parents/guardians express concern about having an animal in the classroom?
3. YES NO Do any staff members have any known allergies to the animal you intend to bring into the classroom or have a compromised immune system?
4. YES NO The animal you intend to bring must be healthy. Has the animal been examined by a veterinarian?  
If so, by whom? \_\_\_\_\_  
If the animal is not newly purchased, how long have you had it? \_\_\_\_\_
5. YES NO Does your animal require immunizations? (If so, please attach a copy of recent immunizations.)
6. YES NO I understand the importance of good hygiene and will require the students to wash their hands after touching the animal, or after providing for its care in any way. (Students will not be allowed to clean animal waste. Individuals who have eczema, cuts, sores, or abrasions will be asked to cover the area, i.e. long sleeves, bandages, etc.)
7. YES NO I have looked into and will follow the recommendations made by recognized animal agencies for the type of housing and diet that is required for this particular animal.
8. List the rules you will have in your classroom regarding the animal. \_\_\_\_\_  
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9. What will your arrangements be for the animal?  
Nights: \_\_\_\_\_ Weekends: \_\_\_\_\_  
  
Vacations: \_\_\_\_\_

(Classroom animals cannot be transported on school busses, and custodians are not responsible for the care of animals.)

10. YES NO I agree that if the classroom animal scratches or bites any person, that the wound will thoroughly be cleaned with soap and water. If the skin is broken, I will report the incident to the parent/guardian (if a student) and principal.

11. How does this animal fit into your curriculum? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

12. YES NO I understand the risk of developing illness due to contact with some animals. I understand that transmission is from both direct and indirect contact of the animal. Cleaning cages, aquariums, etc., of animals may be done in the sink, but must be cleaned with soap and water and then disinfected with absolutely no debris flushing down the sink.

13. The animal's diet will consist of what? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I agree to follow, and direct the children I teach to follow, the District policy and procedures regarding animals in school. I understand that the District and I are responsible for the safety and welfare of the children and staff, and also for the humane treatment and welfare of the animals we have at the school

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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NOT APPROVED

Principal's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Recommendations: \_\_\_\_\_  
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