To: Parents & Guardians

Topic: Student Release Form – New York State’s edTPA (Teacher Performance Assessment)

From: ______________________________ -- Student Teacher, Nyack College

_____________________________ -- Building Principal, ______________________________ School

JoAnn Looney, Ed.D. – Dean of the School of Education, Nyack College
Miriam Velez, M.S. – Director of Student Teaching, Nyack College (New York City Campus)
Linda D’Amato, M.S.Ed. – Student Teaching Placement Coordinator, Nyack College (Rockland)

Date: ______________________________

The above named student teacher is seeking initial teacher certification in New York State, which now requires the submission of the edTPA (Teacher Performance Assessment) from the student teaching experience. The stakes for teachers are higher now and aspiring teachers are required to produce documentation to New York State Education Department of their sound instructional ability before they can be licensed to enter the profession. **This edTPA project is required for all student teachers seeking their first teacher certification in New York State.**

The edTPA will include submissions of short video recordings of the student teacher teaching in your child’s class. Although the video recordings involve both the student teacher and various students, the primary focus is upon the student teacher’s instruction, not on the students in the class. In the course of taping, your child may appear on the video recordings. Also, the student teacher may submit samples of student work as evidence of his/her teaching practice, and that work may include some of your child’s work. **No student’s last name, class, district, or state will appear on any materials that are submitted.**

The student teacher and faculty are **prohibited from sharing or posting any of the recordings or student work samples** except to Pearson’s encrypted edTPA evaluation website.

The bottom portion of this letter will be used to document your permission for your child’s participation in the student teacher’s mandatory project for New York State teaching certification.

Thank you!

<--------------------------------------------------------------->

**Student Permission Slip**

**edTPA - Teacher Performance Assessment Teacher Certification Requirement**

**Please Complete and Return to your Child’s Teacher on or before this date: ______________________________**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Student First and Last Name:</th>
<th>Classroom Teacher:</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>I am the parent/legal guardian of the child named above. I have received and read your letter regarding a student teacher assessment being conducted by Nyack College for New York State certification requirements, and agree to the following: <em>(Please initial either the I DO or the I DO NOT box below.)</em></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I <strong>DO</strong> give permission to you to include my child’s image on video recordings as he or she participates in class conducted at _____________________ School by _____________________ and/or to reproduce materials that my child my completed as part of classroom activities. No student names will appear on any materials submitted by the student teacher.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I <strong>DO NOT</strong> give permission to video record my child or to reproduce materials that my child may produce as part of classroom activities.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Parent/Guardian Signature:</td>
<td>Date:</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>