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NC Pre-K Teacher Commitment Agreement (SFY 2017-2018)

As a teacher participant in the NC Pre-Kindergarten Program, I understand and agree to the following (please initial on each line): 1. _____ I have received and read a copy of the 2017-2018 NC Pre-K Requirements and Guidance. _____ (Lead Teachers Only) I understand if I have less than the required education or license, I must show progress towards a B-K or Pre-school Add-on licensure (a minimum of six documented semester hours per year and enrolled in EESLPD). (Teacher Assistants Only) I understand that I currently hold a Child Development Associate (CDA) or an AA/AAS in Early Childhood Education or Child Development (ECE/CD). If I am employed by the school system, I meet the requirements outlined by the federal "No Child Left Behind" (NCLB) legislation and have one of the following: six documented semester hours of coursework in early childhood education or two years of work experience in an early childhood setting. _ I understand that NC Pre-K children must be insulated from religious communications and activities which occur in other parts of the facility during the NC Pre-K school day. If a center accepts funding from NC Pre-K, then to be consistent with various judicial decisions, during the time the center is offering NC Pre-K programs, staff activities or communications which promote religious beliefs or activities cannot be directed towards NC Pre-K participants. This includes but is not limited to worship services, teacher led prayer, or religious instruction. Furthermore, court rulings dictate that NC Pre-K participants must be insulated from religious communications or activities that may occur in other parts of the center during that time. NC Pre-K participants shall not be prevented from engaging in their personal religious practices, provided those practices are not initiated by center staff and do not disrupt the instructional environment. I hereby give permission to the Partnership for Children of Cumberland County, Inc. and other news media entities, to prepare, reproduce, publish, or exhibit my picture, portrait, or likeness for use by the news media or the Partnership in their news and public awareness programs. Any photograph, photo transparency, drawing, or other illustrative graphic material, audio-visual tape, or audio-visual illustrations, news report, story, or article may be used without my prior examination of the finished product. I have crossed out, dated, and initialed any exception to this consent waiver and release form. Teacher's Name: Administrator's Name: **Teacher's Position:** □**Lead Teacher** □**Teacher Assistant** Administrator's Signature: Teacher's Signature: Today's Date: Today's Date: