

Student Agreement

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT BROWNSVILLE AND TEXAS SOUTHMOST COLLEGE
Center for Gravitational Wave Astronomy and Dept. of Physics and Astronomy High School Summer Academy

21st Century Astronomy Ambassadors Program

Graduating from the 21st Century Astronomy Ambassadors Program means a lot! The program will make a big difference in your success in high school and college mathematics and science courses, provide an excellent scientific research experience to include on college and scholarship applications, and help make your dreams for the future become a reality.

The program's staff is committed to maintaining standards of excellence. We must ensure that all students are safe and have an environment that allows each individual to do his or her best. Therefore, we require students and their parents to understand and agree to the program's rules to finalize a student's admission. Remember, though our program standards are high, they are very attainable.

IMPORTANT: Be certain you and your parents or guardians read this **STUDENT AGREEMENT** very carefully! Think about each item and be sure to sign the Student Agreement. Initial each one to show you understand and agree the regulations.

Thank you for your cooperation!

ATTENDANCE:

- _____ I am aware that daily attendance is MANDATORY.
_____ I understand that I may be dismissed from the program:
- For unexcused absences
 - For excessive excused absences
 - If I am late or leave early more than three (3) times.
- _____ I understand that I must be on time and attend all classes, labs, roll calls, etc. I know I must stay with my assigned group and follow my assigned schedule at all times.
_____ I understand that I must attend the Closing Day Ceremonies to complete the program.
_____ I understand that as part of the program, I will be required to give at least 3 presentations during the 2006-2007 school year.
_____ I understand that as part of the program, I will be required to attend nighttime laboratories at UTB/TSC to gain experience with telescopes

BEHAVIOR:

- _____ I agree to follow standards of behavior – to be courteous, respectful, and committed to learning.
_____ I will not bring radios, cell phones, headphones, laptops, pages, games, toys, lighters, firecrackers, knives, or weapons of any type to any program site.
_____ I will not chew gum or use tobacco in any form or have any food or drinks in any of the college classrooms, labs, libraries, etc. I will be responsible for any damages I may cause.
_____ I agree to wear only modest, safe, and appropriate clothing.

OTHER:

- _____ I understand that I must abide by this agreement and the incentive policy, which includes performing satisfactorily in the program, and turning in the required paperwork.

STUDENT PLEDGE: I will do my best to attend every day as scheduled from July 10, 2006 to August 02, 2006. I have read and understand the program's requirements for students, particularly those on attendance, dress code, and student behavior. I promise to abide by these policies and all the program's rules.

Student's Signature

Date

Social Security Number

PARENT/GUARDIAN CONSENT

I approve of my child's participation in the 21st Century Astronomy Ambassador's Program. I understand this involves a commitment of 18 class days of attendance. I will comply with these policies and rules.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Daytime Phone