

**Consent Form for Accessing Parent(s) /Guardian(s) or Student's Public Benefits or Insurance for Health-Related Services in Student's Individualized Education Program (IEP)**

This consent form allows the Thomaston Public Schools to bill your or your child's public benefits or insurance for covered health-related services (such as physical therapy or speech therapy) in your child's Individualized Education Program (IEP). The funds received from your or your child's public benefits or insurance support the district in the provision of medical services.

**Student's Rights to Special Education\***

- ✓ Your child's right to receive the services listed in his or her IEP will continue, without interruption and at no cost to you, whether or not you sign this form.
- ✓ Giving consent will not impact your or your child's public benefits or insurance coverage.
- ✓ You have the right to refuse consent or withdraw your consent at any time.

**Consent for Thomaston Public Schools to Access Parent(s)/Guardian(s) or Student's Public Benefits or Insurance for Student's Health-Related Educational Services**

**Student's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last Name Middle Name First Name*

**Student's Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Student's SASID#** \_\_\_\_\_

**The school district is seeking permission to access your or your child's public benefits or insurance and to release the following personally identifiable information in order to do so. (to be filled out by the school district)**

<b>What records are being disclosed? (such as, records or information about the services that may be provided to a particular child)</b>	<b>What is the purpose of the disclosure of the records? (such as, eligibility determination, billing for services and auditing)</b>	<b>To what agency are the records being disclosed? (such as Medicaid)</b>

I have reviewed my child's IEP dated: \_\_\_\_\_ I understand and agree to give my consent for Thomaston Public Schools to bill my or my child's public benefits or insurance, in accordance with state and federal laws, for health-related educational services in my child's IEP. By signing this consent, I authorize the Thomaston Public Schools to release my child's records (as indicated above) to my or my child's public benefits or insurance as necessary for the purposes indicated above. I understand that, upon request, I may receive copies of records disclosed pursuant to this authorization.

I do not give my consent or am withdrawing my consent to the accessing of my or my child's public benefits or insurance and I do not consent or am withdrawing consent to the disclosure of the previously described personal data. I understand that my refusal does not affect my child's access to any service(s) to which he/she is entitled under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.\*

**Parent/Guardian Name and Signature:**

\_\_\_\_\_ *Print Name*                      \_\_\_\_\_ *Signature*                      \_\_\_\_\_ *Date*

Parent/Child's Public Insurance Carrier: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent/Child's Benefit Identification Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent(s) Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent(s) Phone Number(s) \_\_\_\_\_

**Note:**

\*Under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), a school district may ask a parent for consent to access the parent's or their child's public benefits or insurance to pay for health-related services (such as physical therapy or speech therapy) set forth in their child's IEP (Individualized Education Program). Before accessing these benefits for the first time, the school district must provide written notification of information about the consent as well as obtain the parent's written permission to use these benefits. In addition, the school district must provide the parent with the written notification each year. You have the right to refuse such consent; should you refuse consent, your child will still receive all services set forth in their IEP at no cost to you.

**\*This form must be maintained and made available for audit purposes**