

Lower Columbia College Head Start/ECEAP
Notification to Parent/Guardians of Animal(s) on Premises
(And of the Potential Health Risks Associated with the Animal(s))

Name of Site: _____

1. We have the following animal(s) on premises (state classroom, name of animal(s) and type(s)): _____
2. Potential health risks associated with the animal(s) include:

3. Staff assigned to provide food and water to the animal(s) and keep the animal(s) clean, according to the stated schedule: Staff Names: _____
Schedule: _____
4. Staff assigned to clean and disinfect animal container(s) or cage(s) weekly or more frequently as needed: _____
5. Cleaning and disinfecting of the container or cage takes place in the following location: _____
(Note: fish tanks must be cleaned, rinsed, and disinfected after cleaning)
6. Food for animals is kept out of children's reach and is located: _____
7. Children who have allergies to the animal (s) will be accommodated by: _____
8. Curricula for teaching children and staff about safety and hygiene is presented by staff in the following manner: _____
9. A handwashing poster is posted near the animal's container or cage and children and staff are directed to wash their hands after touching it and/or the animal.
(Children do NOT touch reptiles or amphibians but following being in the presence of a visiting one, must wash their hands) _____
10. Containers (i.e. fish tanks, etc.) and cages are not hung in corridors, entryways or over where children eat, sleep, and play. They are also not allowed in food preparation areas including sinks used for in food prep and/or clean-up. Containers and cages are secured from falling and are earthquake proof. State where the animal's container or cage will be located in the classroom: _____

I (Parent/Legal Guardian) of _____ have read and understand this notification including the potential health risks; () agree with this notification and/or () have the following concerns (please use reverse side) about this notification and wish to speak with the Area Manager.

Signature

Date

Please Note: Childcare Licensing requires that animals are not allowed in rooms typically used by infants and toddlers.

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(Optional) List Concerns