

**CHIMACUM SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**“CREATING THE FUTURE TODAY”**

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Rick Thompson, Superintendent

**Parent Notification Classroom Pet**

Classroom pets can provide a wonderful educational experience for children. The Chimacum School District has adopted a comprehensive “Animals in the Classroom” program. The goal of our program is to provide staff, students and parents with the necessary information to care for and keep healthy animals, while creating a setting that will minimize risk of exposure to students and provide adequate animal needs.

Animals in the classroom shall be for an appropriate educational purpose. Prior to their presence, permission from the principal and parents are required. A plan is developed for the routine care of the animal(s) during weekends, emergency closings and school breaks.

A clean, appropriate environment will be maintained with adequate ventilation and light, and reasonable temperature. Cages/enclosures will be sufficient in size to allow animals to stand or lie in a normal position. Special attention is given to furred and feathered animals in terms of their effect on allergic students. Such animals will not be housed in classrooms where there is a child with a known allergy to such animals. Parents will be notified when an animal is to be housed in a classroom. An alternative, available room may be used.

*In accordance with the Chimacum School District’s Animals in the Classroom Policy, your child’s teacher is requesting permission for a \_\_\_\_\_ to be housed in your child’s classroom. Please sign and return the permission slip below as soon as feasible. Please feel free to contact the school during regular business hours for additional information.*

*Thank You,*

*Signature, Title and Phone Number*

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I understand my child’s teacher is requesting permission for a classroom pet during the current school year. She has selected a:

Type of Animal
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My child \_\_\_\_\_ has the following medical conditions, medication information or allergies the district should be made aware of:

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**Signature of Parent/Guardian Date Work Phone Home Phone**

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