Classroom Social Media Permission Form

Dear Parent/Guardian,

In an evolving educational landscape, technology has afforded teachers with new opportunities for sharing information and keeping families connected to the classroom. In an effort to take advantage of the instantaneous nature of social media, I will be offering parents the opportunity to stay up to date with school happenings through the use of multiple social media outlets. In addition to sharing information, I look forward to the opportunity to model appropriate digital citizenship for our students as well. Our social media pages will be used for homework purposes, spotlighting student achievements, and allowing parents and the community to get a glimpse of what is happening in the classroom.

We will be using a class Facebook, Snapchat and/or Instagram account. If you are not familiar with these social media websites, it is an online photo/video-sharing and social networking service that enables users to take pictures/videos and then share them with others. I would like to use this service to avoid the dreaded answer to the question "What did you do at school today?" Kids won't be able to say "Nothing." if you remind them by showing them what has been posted for the day.

The classroom account privacy settings will be activated. I will be heavily monitoring the account. This is my way to instantly and easily communicate with you about all the fun things we will be doing in class.

To participate, you simply download the free Instagram app, and 'follow' our class. It is not mandatory for you to participate, but I ask that you please consider allowing your child's picture to be included.

If you have any questions at all, please feel free to contact me at the school or via email. I am excited to be sharing this learning opportunity with you and your child and welcome your feedback during the process.

do/do not (circle o	ne) give permission for my child
	to be featured on the
private o	elassroom Instagram.