

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

Fairwold Academy has two programs that include working with animals: Animal Assisted Therapy Groups and a vocational course in Small Animal Science.

Both programs are designed to create an educational environment for our students that foster an enhanced sense of self-esteem, emotional well-being, educational growth and environmental awareness by developing their inherent skills of interacting with the earth and its creatures, in a safe and supportive environment.

The AAT staff and the Thera-pets will work with small groups of students whose parents or guardians have given their written authorization for their participation in the AAT and/ or Small Animal Science programs. The AAT staff has undergone extensive training to provide animal-assisted therapy and education.

Participation by your child in this program will not begin until your written permission is received. You may at any time terminate your child's authorization to participate by contacting the school.

In addition to signing below, please indicate (by checking the appropriate box), whether your child has any of the following animal related concerns.

1. Is afraid of animals. Yes No
2. Has an allergy to animals. Yes No
3. Has allergies to nuts (several pet foods are processed in plants that have tree nuts) Yes No
4. Has an allergy to Timothy hay, orchard grass or alfalfa Yes No
5. Has a history of cruelty to animals. Yes No
6. I am not aware of any ailments or medical condition my child has that would prohibit physical interaction with the animals True False

My child, _____, can /cannot participate in the Animal related programs at Fairwold Academy.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Thank You,



Tracey DePaul Smith



Mike Alexander