



### REACH Georgia Student Commitment

The REACH Georgia Program is designed to provide academically promising students with the comprehensive support needed to persist through middle and high school, gain access to college, and achieve post-secondary success.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (print student's name), understand that participating in the REACH Georgia Program requires dedication, motivation, and commitment. Upon becoming a REACH Scholar, I commit to the following:

- Adhere to my school's attendance policy and will attend classes regularly.
- Maintain at least a 2.5 cumulative grade point average. If my grades fall below a 2.5 average, I will work with my academic coach to develop an action plan to help my grades improve.
- Participate in all scheduled REACH Georgia related activities, meetings, and programs.
- Follow my school's code of conduct and behave in a positive way that reflects the program standards, both in and out of school.
- Remain drug and crime free.
- Meet with my matched mentor weekly at a minimum of eight face to face meetings per semester during the school year.
- Meet with my academic coach a minimum of one time each month during the school year.
- Persist in my education in order to graduate from high school and meet all of the state requirements for a high school diploma.

I understand the following:

- If my attendance, behavior, and/or grades do not meet the stated school and/or the program requirements, I will be at risk of being withdrawn from REACH Georgia.
- If I am convicted of drug use or criminal behavior, I will immediately be withdrawn from REACH Georgia.
- If I move and attend a school within a REACH Georgia participating school system, I will be able to continue participating in the program. However, if I move into a school system that is not participating in REACH Georgia during my 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> school year, I will be withdrawn from REACH Georgia.
- To be eligible for the financial scholarship (\$2,500 per year for up to 4 years), I will need to:
  - Graduate from high school with a diploma;
  - Enroll in an in-state, HOPE-eligible public or private university;
  - Maintain a 2.0 or higher in college and meet the institution's Satisfactory Academic Progress requirements;
  - Submit a Verification Application to the REACH Georgia state office each semester while in college.
- It is my responsibility to keep my school system and the REACH Georgia state office informed of my address, the institution I attend, and contact information updates in order for my scholarship award to be released to my institution.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### REACH Georgia Parent Commitment

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (print parent's/guardian's name), understand the importance of supporting my student throughout his/her participation in REACH Georgia. I commit to the following:

- Permit my student to meet with a volunteer mentor regularly throughout the school year.
- Support and encourage my student to develop a positive relationship with teachers, mentors, tutors, counselors and the academic coach.
- Attend all REACH Georgia sponsored meetings to discuss student needs and to participate in related activities.
- Notify the school system's REACH coordinator if I, or my student, are unable to participate in a REACH Georgia event.
- Communicate with my student's academic coach, teachers, counselors and/or mentor on the following matters: (1) scholastic achievements or problems, (2) student's goals for college and careers and courses needed to reach those goals, (3) behavior problems at school and/or at home, (4) positive or negative changes that are impacting my student, (5) change of contact information (home address, email address and phone number).
- Abide by the REACH Georgia Program Regulations and guidelines.

Parent or Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_