

# BENNINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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## Arbor Family counseling consent:

I, \_\_\_\_\_, parent or legal  
guardian of (Parent/guardian's name)

\_\_\_\_\_, Grade \_\_\_\_\_, Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
(Student's name)

a registered student of Bennington Public School, consent to, and authorize your counseling department of Bennington Public School and Arbor Family Counseling of Omaha to conduct counseling or psychological services on-site at the school, if and when such services are requested by my student during the academic school year.

The service consists of consultation or counseling or assessment is provided free of charge to students and their families while the service occurs in the Bennington High School. If a student's case needs any further treatment the referral may be provided. I understand that my student must also give their consent to initiate any counseling through Bennington Public School and Arbor Family Counseling. I understand also that this consent to treatment form may be revoked by me at any time in writing.

## Exception to Confidentiality:

Bennington Public School and Arbor Family Counseling adhere, at all times, to confidentiality standards and thus will not release any information to others without a signed consent. However, there are exceptions, which arise from certain Nebraska legal mandates. These exceptions are: 1) the necessity of reporting to authorities, with or without consent, any information which may indicate the presence of child or elder abuse, neglect or endangerment, either physical, psychological, or sexual in nature; 2) when it appears that the client or a person known to the client intends to hurt another person, the counselor has a duty to warn the intended victim and police authorities; 3) when it appears evident that a suicide attempt is imminent, appropriate steps shall be taken to prevent such an attempt.

Attendance or nonattendance at any scheduled counseling session will be reported to the school administration that are responsible for and need to know where all students are during school. All records are the property of Bennington Public School Counseling Services and do not become part of the student's school file.

I acknowledge that I have read and understand the foregoing provisions, and that signing as parent, guardian, or personal representative I certify that I am lawfully entitled to act on behalf of the student named above.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Parent/Guardian

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Signature of Parent/Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Bennington Elementary Principal – Chad Boyes (402) 238-2690 Fax (402) 238-2185  
Pine Creek Elementary Principal – Shannon Thoendel (402) 238-2372 Fax (402) 238-2416  
Heritage Elementary Principal – Therese Nelson (402) 238-2095 Fax (402) 238-3351  
Bennington Middle School Principal – Shawn Hoppes (402)238-3082 Fax (402)916-5823  
Bennington High School Principal – Dr. Matt Blomenkamp (402) 238-2447 Fax (402) 238-2950

Board of Education: Mark Byars, Valerie Calderon, Matthew Wickham, Brad Renter,  
Darren Siekman, Kara Neuwirth

The mission of the Bennington Public Schools is to provide educational opportunities in a safe, caring environment that will prepare all students to meet the challenges of the future.

