

# Maximizing Education to Realize Intellectual Transformation Program Application

MERIT Program Application Form *(Please print or type.)*

Student's name \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Last) (First) (Middle)*

Grade *(2012-2013 school year, please select one)*    5    6    7    8

Gender \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Race \_\_\_\_\_

Custodial parent(s)' name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Student's residence and address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Street*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*City, State, & ZIP*

Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's e-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Father's employer \_\_\_\_\_ daytime/cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's employer \_\_\_\_\_ daytime/cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

Is student currently in the gifted program? *(please select one)*    Yes    No

School where student is currently enrolled: \_\_\_\_\_

The MERIT teams will have "Honors" level classes in each academic discipline. Students may enroll in up to four "Honors" level classes based upon their areas of academic strength, motivation and interest. Please check the "honors" level classes that your student would like to take: (you may select one, two, three, or four choices)

English/Language Arts      Math      Science      Social Studies.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
date

If you are not currently enrolled in the Thomas County School System, please attach copies of report cards and standardized test scores from the most recent year. **Students who are currently enrolled in the Thomas County School System do not need to submit copies of grades and test scores.**

## **M.E.R.I.T. Program Parent/Student Compact**

### **Parent Agreement**

If accepted, my child will enroll in the Thomas County Schools MERIT Program. I understand that the curriculum of the MERIT Program will be more rigorous than that found in a typical middle school or high school. I agree to support the academic demands of the teachers, will provide adequate time for homework and study, and will require that my child attend tutorial sessions if needed. I understand that my child may be transferred to a regular classroom for poor academic performance, misconduct, or excessive absenteeism. I further understand that 20 hours of community service per year and participation in academic extra-curricular activities are requirements of the program, and I will support my child in meeting these requirements.

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*Parent Signature*

*Date*

### **Student Agreement**

If accepted, I will enroll in the Thomas County Schools MERIT Program. I understand that the curriculum of the MERIT Program will be more rigorous than that found in a typical middle school or high school. I will meet the academic demands of the teachers, will complete homework assignments, and will attend tutorial sessions if needed. I understand that I may be transferred to a regular classroom for poor academic performance, misconduct, or excessive absenteeism. I further understand that 20 hours of community service per year and participation in academic extra-curricular activities are requirements of the program, and I agree to meet these requirements.

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*Student Signature*

*Date*