



# Sherman Thomas Charter School

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### Parent Commitment Contract

There is clear research that indicates grade schools happen when three primary support components are present. These three components are powerful teaching, strong sequenced curriculum and dynamic parent participation. The Sherman Thomas Charter School Board and Administration pledges to deliver the first two components but without you, the parent, the formula is incomplete. Parents insure the quality of the program by making a personal commitment to the STCS goals and philosophies and their child's education.

1. I recognize that the Sherman Thomas Charter School is a public charter school of choice not entitlement.
2. I have read the Sherman Thomas Charter School Handbook in its entirety and I agree to support Sherman Thomas Charter School's philosophy, goals, and methodologies as set forth in the document
3. I agree to take a collaborative approach towards solving issues and problems that may arise. I will attempt to work out problems with the source, using proper STCS chain of command, if necessary, to reach resolution. I pledge to support a process that will preserve relationships and keep issues confidential.
4. I agree to abide by all rules and regulations adopted by the Board of Directors.
5. I agree to encourage my child to abide by the STCS Code of Conduct and by word and deed role model these same characteristics in my personal life.
6. I agree to provide a suitable time and place within my home that will support homework completion.
7. I will assist my child in obtaining and regularly using a library card from the public library and promote regular reading time at home.
8. I agree to limit television and video games during the school week thus allowing more time for reading studying, and family time.
9. I agree to supply a healthy lunch and a snack. The Madera Unified School District will offer a lunch to Sherman Thomas Charter School students at a reasonable cost (TBA) or parents can send their child with a daily brown bag lunch and a snack from home.
10. I promise to encourage my child to reach his or her highest academic achievement level with deep commitment and enthusiasm for learning.

**I understand this Parent Commitment Contract and will strive to perform the expectations and duties listed therein to the best of my ability. I further understand that by not fulfilling my contractual obligations to Sherman Thomas Charter School that my child's continued enrollment could be jeopardized. (Note: all students will remain eligible to attend the public school in their attendance area or a private school of the parent's choice, should dis-enrollment from STCS be recommended by Administration and Board of Directors.)**

Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Acknowledged by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Sherman Thomas Charter School Administration)*



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## LIBRARY PERMISSION SLIP

Dear Parents:

As Sherman Thomas enters its new academic year, we are pleased to announce that the Sherman Thomas Library continues to grow.

Each student is required to return a signed permission slip before a book will be checked out. A student will be allowed to check out only one book at a time for a period of one week. In the event a book is lost or damaged while checked out to your child, you will be responsible for the book’s replacement cost. Please help your child in taking good care of all books borrowed from the library as they are very expensive to replace.

Each student is required to submit a permission slip for the 2020-2021 school year before he or she will be allowed to check out a book. If you wish to grant your child permission to borrow books from the Sherman Thomas Library, please fill out the form below and return it to your child’s teacher as soon as possible.

Please remember, that until the permission slip is returned to your child’s teacher, he or she will not be allowed to check out books from the school’s library.

Thank you,

Sherman Thomas Staff

My child \_\_\_\_\_ has my permission to check out books from the Sherman Thomas Library during the **2020-2021** school year. By my signature below I assume responsibility to pay for any damaged and/or lost book in my child’s possession.

Parent Signature: **X** \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Ph# \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_





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## Internet User Agreement

2020-2021 School Year

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Students at Sherman Thomas Charter School may have the opportunity to participate in Internet based lessons and activities. Because of the nature of the Internet and the World Wide Web, some inappropriate content may be available to students even though we have installed a content filter and have set it for the highest degree. Per Board Policy, students will be monitored however we cannot guarantee that all of the measures that we take will eliminate all possibilities 100% of the time of exposing students to certain objectionable material.

By signing this form, parents are granting permission for their child to participate in online activities and will hold the Sherman Thomas Charter School harmless in the event that their child accesses objectionable material.

By signing this form, students are acknowledging their responsibility to avoid objectionable material and abide by all rules and directions and to cause no purposeful disruption to the network or any electronic system.

By signing this form, the teacher is acknowledging their responsibility to ensure that this student receives appropriate supervision and that proper instruction is given on the use of the Internet.

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

Parent Signature **X** \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

