# 2020-21 Peekskill High School ACADEMIC COURSE CHALLENGE AGREEMENT

Any form submitted must be accompanied by a **written rationale from the student**. This written rationale must explain why the form is being submitted.

### STUDENT STATEMENT

I\_\_\_\_\_\_ declare my intention to accept the challenge of enrolling in the following Peekskill High School Regents/Accelerated/Advanced/Honors/AP/College Level Course:

### COURSE #1\_\_\_

\*Please be aware that placement in the course will be dependent upon there being room in the course.

I acknowledge that I have read the course descriptions and expectations for each course and discussed my desire to accept this challenge with my current teacher and my school counselor. I understand that these courses represent a rigorous level of study that will require a high degree of commitment of both time and energy on my part. I also understand that these courses are designed for students who are strong independent learners. *I do not expect, and will not receive, a significant amount of extra help or independent assistance from the instructor in these accelerated/advanced level courses*.

I understand that if my average in any advanced level course falls below a 75% by the end of the *second* marking period, **my parent** will arrange for a meeting with my teacher, school counselor and myself to discuss the appropriateness of my continued enrollment in this course.

In the case of SUNY courses, there are specific requirements for GPA and Regents scores for any student to take a SUNY Course for College Credit. Juniors must have an overall GPA of 80 and a score of 80 on the "relevant" Regents Exam, if applicable. Seniors must have a GPA of 80 and a score of 80 on the Regents. I understand that I may not qualify to take a course for SUNY credit if I do not meet SUNY requirements.

Most Accelerated/Advanced/Honors/AP/ College Level courses **require some form of summer work**. I further agree to obtain any required summer work and complete it as prescribed. All summer assignments will be available in the Peekskill High School Main Office in the beginning of July.

Student's Signature\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_

### PARENT STATEMENT

I acknowledge that I have read the course descriptions and expectations for these courses, and have discussed with my child his/her desire to accept this challenge. I understand that these courses represent a rigorous level of study that will require my child to make a significant commitment of both time and energy. I also understand that these courses are designed for students who are strong independent learners. *I do not expect, and understand that my child will not receive, a significant amount of extra help or independent assistance from the instructor in these accelerated/advanced level courses.* 

I understand that if my child's average in any Regents/Accelerated/Advanced/Honors/AP College Level course falls below a 75% by the end of the *second* marking period that it is my responsibility to request a meeting which will include myself, my child, the teacher, and my child's school counselor to discuss the appropriateness of my child's continued enrollment in this course.

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### PLEASE READ TEACHER COMMENTS ON PAGE 2 BEFORE SIGNING

Parent's Signature

## 2020-21 Peekskill High School ACADEMIC COURSE CHALLENGE AGREEMENT TEACHER/COUNSELOR COMMENTS

#### COURSE NAME \_\_\_\_\_

### **Teacher's Comment**

After discussing this student's desire to accept enrolling in the above-mentioned course:

I support this student's decision I have some reservations about this student's decision Cannot support this student's decision

#### **Counselor's Comment**

After discussing this student's desire to accept the challenge of enrolling in the above-mentioned course:

- \_\_\_\_\_I support this student's decision
- I have some reservations about this student's decision I cannot support this student's decision

Teacher's Signature	_ Counselor's Signature
Dept. Chair's Signature	Principal's Signature

**Comments:** 

## WRITTEN RATIONALE

(Completed by the Student)

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

\*Challenge Agreement cannot be used for Performing Arts, Music or Art.