



## Acknowledgement of Assessment Form

The Music Settlement is accredited by UPK & SUTQ. All Step Up To Quality (SUTQ) and Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK) providers are required to assess all preschool children using a series of screening and standardized tests, specified by SUTQ and UPK. These are selected to provide developmental and academic information to families. Many have a parent participation component in addition to the classroom piece, completed by teachers, to provide a more comprehensive view.

The assessments include:

- Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ) – social/emotional focus, Fall assessment, parent component
- Devereux Early Childhood Assessment (DECA)- behavioral focus, Winter assessment, parent component
- Teaching Strategies Gold-developmental continuum
- Early Learning Assessment (ELA) the State of Ohio’s new Early Childhood Comprehensive Tool.

1. We are requesting your consent or refusal to participate in these screenings.
2. Fall & Spring parent-teacher conferences will be conducted regardless of your participation in accreditation screenings.

As a parent, I understand that the process of assessing students provides support in the development of individual children’s learning/instruction and is a component of the accreditation programs.

In addition I understand that these assessments are geared to young children and therefore they are completed within the classroom (whenever possible) and are done in a developmentally appropriate approach that is an integrated experience not an isolated or rote drill.

I also understand that there are parent assessment components that I may choose not to complete, however the teacher component will be completed and results shared with designated family members and in aggregated data, unless I specify otherwise.

I acknowledge that I have read this note.

### **I indicate my preference on annual assessments by checking below:**

- I choose **Not to participate in the parent component of any assessments** and also **request that the assessments not be administered to my child in the classroom.**
- I choose **Not** to participate in the **parent component** of the assessments.
- I choose to participate in the parent component and will complete the parent portion in a timely manner once it is sent home in the fall and winter.

Child:

Classroom/Program:

Number in Family:

Parent or Guardian:

Parent or Guardian’s Signature:

Date:

Please return to EC office with enrollment paperwork.