One-Year Principal Agreement Form
August 2013 – July 2014

Agreement between Pennsylvania MESA and _________________________________ School.

The Pennsylvania MESA Program agrees to provide:

- Statewide fundraising support to maintain quality regional programming
- State and national resource development partnerships with other MESA states
- Comprehensive program administration, including data collection, management and reporting
- Promotion to recruit STEM experts to serve as mentors (industry, defense, higher education)
- Access to information on state and national MESA competitions
- Research “test beds” for MESA partners to try new education models
- Focused public policy advocacy on access for disadvantaged students to opportunities to learn
- Updates on emerging careers and ideas for developing models to expose MESA students and parents
- Develop and provide information on MESA Saturday Academy and Summer programs for each region
- Provide information on regional scholarships, co-op programs, and internships in STEM areas
- Host teacher and administrator professional development institutes to implement MESA activities
- Facilitate statewide access to local, state, and national resources, including participating in regional and national MESA Day competitions, national and international conferences and symposium
- Facilitate shared research in education and workforce development initiatives

School agrees to:

- Provide a safe space for Pennsylvania MESA meetings before, during or after school
- Identify a MESA Advisor to coach the afterschool school program, secure background clearances and provide a stipend (recommended but not mandatory; national average is $1000 per year for a MESA Club that meets twice per week, 2 hours per session)
- Help support collection of education research like pre/post student online surveys
- Designate a suitable person to enter student grades (Math, English & Science) and PSSA data for club members for the first three quarters into the Pennsylvania MESA Information Management System by April 27, 2013
  - The PA MESA will provide the basic engineering kit for each school (cost not to exceed $50 per kit), and each school will use appropriate school funds to cover the cost of standard program support such as:
    - Fundraising activities to buy poster boards, t-shirts, provide transportation tokens
    - Substitutes necessary to allow advisors to chaperone students during field experiences
    - Substitutes necessary to allow school coordinator (or designee) to attend quarterly Pennsylvania MESA Advisor Workshops
- Promote rigorous course opportunities to all Pennsylvania MESA enabling them to complete algebra II, geometry, trigonometry, biology, physics and chemistry prior to graduation.
• Participate actively in Pennsylvania MESA activities (school meetings, Pennsylvania MESA Day, Awards Ceremony, and Kickoff Workshops).
• Acknowledge Pennsylvania MESA achievements at your school whenever possible (daily announcements, school newsletter, parent meetings, etc.).
• Make the MESA team aware of any potential conflicts that prohibit student participation in specially planned field trips and events.
• Follow guidelines for reporting of data as specified by Temple’s MESA office.

*My school is on a _____________________________(quarter, semester, trimester) grading system.*

I have read and understand the requirements set forth by the Pennsylvania MESA Central office. My school plans to participate in the Pennsylvania MESA fully during the specified academic school year in accordance with this agreement form. I understand that an addendum to this form may be provided to me in accordance with requirements set forth by my school district/region.

School Name: ________________________________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________ City/State/Zip:____________________
Phone No: __________________________ Website: ________________________________

Principal Name(Please print) ________________________________ Signature __________________________
Principal Email: ________________________________

Assigned MESA Coordinator ________________________________ Email __________________________
Subject/Grades Taught: ________________________________

*Note: If deadlines for data entry are not met then the school may be automatically placed on INACTIVE status. When this occurs, privileges (fieldtrip transportation, participation in specific MESA activities) may be suspended.