

Austin Community College
CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD INFORMATION AUTHORIZATION
For Field Experiences in Independent School Districts

I understand that any Independent School District (ISD) in which I observe will perform a criminal background check on me. I authorize any ISD in which I observe to obtain copies of any information pertaining to any criminal history record maintained by any law enforcement agency and to use said information for the purpose of evaluating my application as a volunteer in the District. I understand that this information will be reported back to the Coordinator of the Associate of Arts in Teaching Program and then to the appropriate ACC instructor(s).

Name: _____		
Last	First	Middle
Street Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____		
County: _____ Telephone Number with Area Code: _____		
List all cities in Texas where there has been residency: _____		
Sex: _____ Social Security Number: _____		
Male or Female		
*Race or Ethnicity: _____ Date of Birth: _____		
(Month/Day/Year)		
Drivers License Number: _____ State: _____ Exp. Date: _____		
Other names used (married, maiden, etc.)		

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name
SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____		
*Note: This information is required by the Texas Department of Public Safety in order to conduct a criminal history check. Information regarding race or ethnicity is not utilized in making placement decisions.		

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School districts in Texas are authorized by Section 22.083 of the Education Code to obtain criminal history record information from any law enforcement or criminal justice agency on applicants, employees, or volunteers. The information obtained in the background check determines a person's eligibility to participate as a volunteer in Texas Public Schools. The Board of Trustees of the Independent School Districts establishes policies determining eligibility requirements.

To be eligible to participate in field experiences required by the Associate of Arts in Teaching and the Child Development degree plans, students must agree to permit any independent school district, in which the student will participate in field experiences, to complete a criminal background check. Although each school district sets its own specific eligibility requirements, current changes or prior convictions in the following areas will most likely result in a student being ineligible for participation in field experiences. These areas include:

- Prior felony conviction(s).
- Prior conviction(s) of a misdemeanor offense within the last five (5) years involving offenses of moral turpitude * (acts that are generally considered morally or ethically wrong, including crimes that involve dishonesty, fraud, deceit, misrepresentation, or deliberate violence) or offenses involving drugs and/or alcohol.
- Felony or misdemeanor charges that are pending against the applicant involving offenses of moral turpitude * or offenses involving drugs and/or alcohol.
- Acts considered abuse under the Texas Family Code such as (see attached documents).

Additionally, if a student is arrested, convicted or receives deferred adjudication for any felony or any offense involving moral turpitude *, he or she must notify his or her Austin Community College instructor of the course(s) in which he or she is completing field experiences within 3 calendar days.

The independent school districts will report eligibility status to the Education Specialist who will notify instructors of any problems. **If a student is not eligible for placement in an independent school district, he or she will be withdrawn from the course(s) requiring field experiences.**

*Moral turpitude includes but is not limited to: dishonesty; fraud; deceit; theft; misrepresentation; deliberate violence; base, vile, or depraved acts that are intended to arouse or gratify the sexual desire of the actor.

Please note that Juvenile Records are now accessible to governmental agencies (like independent school districts and the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services/Day Care Licensing). If you should have a juvenile record that might affect your eligibility for field experiences, please check with your attorney to determine if your record has been sealed.

Student Signature

Date