**Permission for Tick Removal**

**2020-2021 School Year**

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The New York State Department of Education requires parental/guardian permission for the School Nurse to remove a tick from a student. Ticks can transmit bacteria through their bite therefore removing ticks as soon as possible reduces the chance of getting Lyme disease. Parent/Guardian will be notified if a tick is removed from your child. Removal of a tick may leave a small wound or part of the tick may be left in the skin which will eventually fall out. If a tick is removed please notify your Healthcare Provider. Please watch for any of the following symptoms and contact your Provider if they occur: rash (bullseye), chills, fever, headache, stiff neck, muscle pain, joint pain, and swollen glands.

* I allow the School Nurse to remove a tick from my child, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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

Important: If you do not return this form, the school nurse can not remove a tick from your child while at school. You will be notified to pick up your child from school for the removal of the tick.