



**LOUISIANA TOPS TECH CAREER DIPLOMA**

**FORM**

BEGINNING WITH THE GRADUATING CLASS OF 2018, STUDENTS MAY CHOOSE BETWEEN TWO DIPLOMA PATHWAYS: THE TOPS UNIVERSITY DIPLOMA OR THE TOPS TECH CAREER DIPLOMA. THE TOPS UNIVERSITY DIPLOMA PREPARES STUDENTS FOR IMMEDIATE ENTRANCE TO A FOUR-YEAR LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY OR FOR A CAREER. THE TOPS TECH CAREER DIPLOMA PREPARES STUDENTS FOR A LOUISIANA STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE OR TECHNICAL SCHOOL, OR FOR A CAREER.

BEFORE A STUDENT FINALIZES HIS OR HER DIPLOMA PATHWAY, THE STUDENT, THE STUDENT'S PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR CUSTODIAN WILL CONSULT WITH THE SCHOOL COUNSELOR TO DISCUSS THE STUDENT'S PROGRESS AND DETERMINE WHAT IS IN THE STUDENT'S BEST INTEREST FOR THE CONTINUATION OF HIS/HER EDUCATIONAL PURSUIT AND FUTURE EDUCATIONAL PLAN.

**CONFERENCE DOCUMENTATION**

STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PARENT(S)/ GUARDIAN(S): \_\_\_\_\_

ATTENDING COUNSELOR: \_\_\_\_\_ SCHOOL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE STUDENT ENTERED (AS A FIRST-TIME FRESHMAN): \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ PATHWAY: \_\_\_\_\_

**BOTH PARENT AND STUDENT MUST INITIAL THE FOLLOWING REQUIRED STATEMENTS:**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, CHOOSE TO PURSUE THE TOPS TECH CAREER DIPLOMA AND AS SUCH, I FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGE THE FOLLOWING:

PARENT          STUDENT

\_\_\_\_\_          \_\_\_\_\_          THE STUDENT'S PROGRESS AND FUTURE EDUCATION PLAN HAVE BEEN DISCUSSED.

\_\_\_\_\_          \_\_\_\_\_          THE STUDENT MAY BE ELIGIBLE TO ATTEND A TWO-YEAR LOUISIANA COMMUNITY OR TECHNICAL COLLEGE.

\_\_\_\_\_          \_\_\_\_\_          THE STUDENT MAY BE INELIGIBLE TO ENROLL IN A LOUISIANA FOUR-YEAR PUBLIC COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY IMMEDIATELY UPON GRADUATION.

\_\_\_\_\_          \_\_\_\_\_          THE INDIVIDUAL GRADUATION PLAN (IGP) HAS BEEN REVISED.

\_\_\_\_\_          \_\_\_\_\_          THE STUDENT WILL NOT AUTOMATICALLY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A TOPS TECH AWARD. IT IS THE STUDENT'S RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THAT ALL TOPS REQUIREMENTS ARE MET.

\_\_\_\_\_          \_\_\_\_\_          I UNDERSTAND THIS STUDENT HAS THE OPTION TO RETURN TO THE LOUISIANA TOPS UNIVERSITY PATHWAY IN CONSULTATION WITH THE PARENT(S)/GUARDIAN(S) AND SCHOOL COUNSELOR. HOWEVER, I UNDERSTAND THAT THE STUDENT MAY NOT BE ELIGIBLE TO GRADUATE IN FOUR YEARS IF HE/SHE RETURNS TO TOPS UNIVERSITY PATHWAY.

**FOR ADULT STUDENTS ONLY**

\_\_\_\_\_ I, BEING 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER AM REQUESTING PURSUIT OF THE TOPS TECH CAREER DIPLOMA AND HAVE INITIALED THE STATEMENTS ABOVE.

\_\_\_\_\_ I FURTHER ATTEST THAT MY PARENTS HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED OF MY DECISION AND THE CONSEQUENCES.

\_\_\_\_\_ I HAVE READ AND INITIALED ALL THE ABOVE STATEMENTS AND AGREE THAT THE PURSUIT OF THE TOPS TECH CAREER DIPLOMA IS IN MY BEST INTERESTS FOR THE CONTINUATION OF MY EDUCATIONAL PURSUIT AND FUTURE EDUCATIONAL PLANS. FURTHER, I HAVE IN NO WAY BEEN COERCED OR PERSUADED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT.

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT(S)/ GUARDIAN(S) SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

COUNSELOR'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

PRINCIPAL'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_