Hidalgo Early College High School @
the South Texas College
STUDENT & PARENT INFORMATION ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The following is a list of characteristics that are unique to Hidalgo Early College High School at STC. When entering ECHS, you are simultaneously a high school student and a college student. Therefore, it is important that you understand the differences between ECHS and a regular public high school. Please review the following items and acknowledge your awareness by signing at the bottom.

☐ College Content – I understand that within a college environment, students may encounter adult language and images, different philosophical viewpoints and belief systems.

☐ Academic Freedom – I understand that Academic Freedom is practiced at STC. Academic Freedom allows faculty and students to pursue whatever inquiry they feel is important and to speak about it in the classroom without fear of censorship.

☐ Computer Use – I understand that there is no filtering on the laptops or library computers and therefore I am on the honor system and I will not use these computers for any inappropriate uses.

☐ Summer Program Expectations – I understand that once I enroll in a STC summer course, I am expected to complete it.

☐ Instructor Expectations – I understand that each instructor may have different classroom expectations and I will be held accountable to the policies and classroom procedures for each instructor.

☐ College Grading – I understand that each college instructor will have grading policies that are unique to his/her course and individual teaching style. I also understand that I am starting my official college transcript and that any failed courses will be reflected on my college transcript as well as high school transcript.

☐ High School Support – I understand that there will be tutoring available everyday until 3:00 PM if I need further assistance.

☐ Textbook Policy – I understand that if I drop a course, I am responsible for the cost of textbooks.

☐ Attendance Policy – I understand that if I incur two or more absences or have excessive tardies, I will be dropped from the course. I also understand that if I do not complete the course I will be expected to pay a tuition fee of $150. dollars.

I have read and understand the expectations set forth by Hidalgo Early College High School. I agree to abide by the policies, rules, and regulations of the Hidalgo Independent School District and Hidalgo Early College High School at the South Texas College.

Student Name: __________________________

Student Signature: __________________________  Date: __________________________

Parent Signature: __________________________  Date: __________________________