Student Name: _____ Period: _____

The World Languages teachers of the State College Area School District have, as their objectives, teaching and assessing every student. There have recently been some concerns about the use of online translating sites. The Internet can and will be used as a research tool to learn more about current and historical facts of the target culture, lifestyle, geography, art, architecture, pop culture, etc.

However, using online *translators* to complete assignments is equivalent to having another person do the work. As a result, the student does not have the educational benefit of the learning process and of applying concepts presented in the classroom. Therefore, using translating sites to complete assignments and projects is not appropriate and violates the discipline code according to the student handbook (p. ___):

Plagiarism is using someone else's words or ideas without citing the source of that information. The student will receive a zero on that assignment. The following actions will be viewed as plagiarism:
- *Buying, borrowing, or stealing another person's work*
- *Copying from another source (cutting and pasting from the Internet, for example, without citing the source)*
- *Paraphrasing another's ideas without giving credit*

If teachers have sufficient reason (e.g. student is using advanced structures that were never presented) to suspect that a translating site was used, the student will be asked to reproduce work independently. If that is not possible, the student will receive a zero for the work.

This policy is in place to ensure that we maintain high ethical standards for all of our students and staff. Please return the bottom portion to your language teacher.

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The above student and I have read the above information and are aware of the policy regarding online translating sites.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____
                                    (printed)

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

        Email Address: _____

        Telephone: _____