



Earth and Space Science Passport Commitment Form

Disclaimer: Please be sure that you have filled out the application form at esspassport.org prior to completing this form.

Funded by the West Virginia Math Science Partnership (MSP) Program, Earth and Space Science Passport (ESS Passport) is designed to engage teachers in professional development activities to enhance their understanding of ESS content and provide assistance in implementing the WV Next Generation Earth Science Standards. Designed to address the lack of certified ESS teachers, this professional development program targets middle and high school ESS teachers and provides pathways to enhance ESS instruction and certification.

To be completed by ESS Passport applicant

ESS Passport expects you to:

- 1) participate fully in year 1 activities:
 - 2 week summer workshop at NRAO Green Bank (June 18-July 1, 2017)
 - After school monthly support webchats (4:00-5:00pm, third Monday of every month)
 - fall WVSTA conference (November 2-4, 2017)
 - one day year-end feedback meeting (May 18, 2018)
 - spring geology field trip (May 19-20, 2018)
- 2) participate fully in year 2 activities:
 - one week summer workshop at Fairmont State University (July 30-Aug 3, 2018)
 - after school monthly support training via webchats (4:00-5:00pm, third Monday of every month)
 - year-end feedback meeting (May TBA)
- 3) commit to working with a team to develop and share ESS lessons which address WV NxGen standards
- 4) provide ESS Passport evaluators and researchers with feedback and respond to evaluation and research surveys

I will participate in the program through June 2018 and I agree to the above list of expectations.

Printed Name _____

Signature _____

Date _____

Please submit to Deb Hemler
 1201 Locust Avenue Fairmont, WV 26554,
www.esspassport.org,
 or email: esspassport@gmail.com

To be completed by your principal:

Name of Principal _____

Title _____

Institution _____

Address _____

City State Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

I hereby certify that _____
Applicant's name

will be teaching Earth and space science content in the coming school year and is authorized by my institution to participate in the school year activities listed to the left. I understand that while he/she is fulfilling these school year expectations, I will need to grant release time (year 1- 2 days, year 2- 1 day) but understand that the school can invoice Fairmont State at a rate of \$100/day to offset the cost of a substitute teacher. I will consider reimbursing the applicant the cost of the Earth & Space Science Praxis exam (\$120) should he/she pass and gain ESS certification.

My institution agrees that ESS Passport is not liable for any actions of the applicant that may cause harm or liability to ESS Passport.

Principal's Signature:

Date _____

