## **Consent (Permitted User License Agreement)**

This Consent describes the terms and conditions upon which you as the assessment taker are permitted to access and use the **TOWES Foundation**<sup>TM</sup> (V1). You will also be providing consent for your scores and data to be used and disclosed to others as described in this Agreement.

You agree that you have read and understood all of the terms and conditions of this Agreement and that your Invigilator (the person who supervises your assessment session) explained the purpose of this Agreement and answered all your questions. You understand that by using the **TOWES Foundation**<sup>TM</sup> (**V1**) and related services you agree to comply with and be bound by this Agreement. If you do not agree, you should stop using the **TOWES Foundation**<sup>TM</sup> (**V1**) and related services immediately.

## Purpose

The **TOWES Foundation**<sup>TM</sup> (V1) measures four of the components of reading. They are memory span, letter recognition, phonemic awareness and receptive vocabulary. By responding to the questions in the assessment, you will be providing information that will be used to generate a score. Scores are reported as a Percentage Score (0% to 100%).

The purpose of the assessment is to provide a Requesting Party (organization or individual that requested the assessment) with an understanding of your abilities in the skills being measured. The Requesting Party will use your **TOWES Foundation**<sup>TM</sup> (V1) scores to do any or all of the following things:

- identify your learning and training needs
- identify whether you need additional diagnostic assessment
- measure your learning gains (pre and post assessment scores)

#### **Data Collection and Use**

The following information will be collected from you during the **TOWES Foundation**<sup>TM</sup> (V1) assessment session. This information will be used as described:

#### 1. Assessment Responses

You will be asked to respond to a series of questions when completing the **TOWES Foundation**<sup>TM</sup> (V1). These responses will be used to generate your assessment score. The following Requesting Parties will have <u>access to review and use to your results</u>:

- Literacy Alberta and Keyano College, only for purposes of planning Essential Skills training.
- DataAngel and its contractors for research purposes only.

In all other cases, individual results are held confidential, and must be pooled together for groups of participants before being presented.

#### **Granting Consent to Releasing Results**

You consent and agree to the following uses of your results from the TOWES Foundation<sup>™</sup> (V1):

- Your results to be used and disclosed for any of the purposes described in the Thunder System Terms of Use and Privacy Policy located at <u>www.towes.com</u> which you agreed to prior to starting the **TOWES Foundation<sup>™</sup> (V1)**. Research partners authorized by Bow Valley College have access to results for research purposes only, provided that your personal identifying information (name, home address, telephone number, email address) are never disclosed.
- Your results will be released for distribution by your name, to the Requesting Parties, as described above. You understand that your Invigilator and the Requesting Parties must comply with the **TOWES Foundation**<sup>™</sup> (**V1**) policies and procedures related to protection of your personal information and privacy.

You also acknowledge and agree to the following:

- You understand the purpose for completing the assessment.
- You have had any questions about how to complete the assessment answered by your Invigilator.
- You are free to ask questions about the assessment now or in the future

## **Additional Notes**

You may contact your Invigilator at any time for a copy of this Agreement or to confirm what personal information is being retained about you. Further information about **TOWES Foundation<sup>TM</sup>** (V1) can be obtained by contacting:

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