Dear Parent/Caregiver:

The Scituate FACTS Coalition will offer virtual psycho-educational support groups to help students learn to cope effectively with many common barriers to their educational success. Scituate middle school and high school students are welcome to participate at no cost, remotely during the 2021-22 school year. These curriculum-based and skill-building groups allow students to gain strength and understanding in a confidential setting from peers and provide them with the tools necessary to thrive despite challenges. Groups typically last for 45 minutes in duration, once per week, for five - eight weeks. The groups are facilitated by a Student Assistance Program Specialist from Caron Treatment Centers. Groups will be conducted remotely via video or audio-conferencing technology. We require parent/guardian permission for your child to participate in a group. Below is a listing of the possible groups offered to your child: Kids of Promise®: for students impacted by the substance use disorder of a loved one (8 weeks) Virtually CONNECTed: for students trying to reduce or quit the use of nicotine (6 weeks) Marijuana Intervention and Support: for students trying to reduce or quit use of marijuana (8 weeks). More information about the curriculum may be found on the Caron or Scituate FACTS websites.

By signing this form, I certify:

- That I agree to allow my child to participate in psycho-educational support groups offered through Caron's Student Assistance Program.
- That I give permission for my child to participate in the groups remotely via video or audio-conferencing technology.
- That I give permission for the reciprocal exchange of information between Scituate High School or Gates Middle School and the facilitator from Caron.
- That I fully understand its contents and have been given ample opportunity to ask questions and that any questions have been answered to my satisfaction.

If you feel that your child may benefit from this group and give permission for the reciprocal exchange of information between SPS counselor and Caron, please sign below and return to your School Adjustment Counselor: Jen Lopes at SHS (ilopes@scit.org or Room 150), or Lindsay Newton at Gates (lnewton@scit.org).

Student Printed Name	Student Signature	Date
Student Email	Student Mobile Number	
Parent/Caregiver Printed Name	Parent/Caregiver Signature	Date
Parent/Caregiver Email Address	Parent/Caregiver Mohile Number	