FSU GEMS CENTER
Classroom Visit Agreement
Fall 2012 – Spring 2013

Teacher Name: ____________________________ Date: __________________

School Name: _______________________________________________________

Grade(s): __________________ Subject(s): _____________________________

Should my class(es) be selected for a visit from THE GEMS CENTER...

_____ I understand that GEMS is a free program and as such is in very high demand, so I will make the most of this opportunity.

_____ I recognize that the GEMS instructor is an expert in science content and pedagogical content knowledge and I view my visit from GEMS as a professional development opportunity for me as well as a learning experience for my students.

_____ I will be present. I will schedule the visit for a day on which I will be with my class, I will not arrange for a substitute (except in cases of extreme emergency).

_____ I will be engaged and will model good behavior for my students. I will not grade papers, leave the room, or otherwise disrupt class.

_____ I will support student learning by maintaining control of my class without discouraging student thinking, expression of ideas, or discussion when appropriate.

_____ I understand that state mandated class size limits apply. I respect that GEMS cannot accommodate more than 25 students at a time for safety reasons.

_____ If signing up on behalf of a teaching team, I will make my team aware of the stipulations of this agreement.

_____ I recognize that failure to uphold this agreement may influence my priority for future GEMS classroom visit sign-ups and/or my equipment loan privileges.

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Teacher Signature                     Date

Completion of this form does NOT guarantee you a visit this semester, but is a necessary condition for selection. Please complete and return this form to the Director of GEMS CENTER before the end of August, by email (bevis@bio.fsu.edu), by fax (850-644-0643), or by snail mail:

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