High Needs Teaching Commitment Form

As a Noyce Scholar applicant, I understand that the scholarship—if awarded—requires that I complete a teacher education program in science or mathematics education. The program also requires that I commit to teach for two (2) years for every one (1) year of received support in a “high need educational agency.” This means an educational agency that serves an elementary or secondary school located in an area in which there is:

- a high percentage of individuals from families with incomes below the poverty line;

- a high percentage of secondary school teachers not teaching in the content area in which the teachers were trained to teach;

or

- a high teacher turnover rate.

The minimum of two (2) years of teaching can include up to one (1) year as a permanent substitute or long-term substitute placement (more than 3 months with additional substitute duties throughout the year) in a secondary science or mathematics classroom. Further, I realize that I will have up to 9 months to secure placement in a high needs school upon graduation.

Should I choose to change my major, I recognize the scholarship will be revoked and that I will be required to repay Indiana State University and the NSF-Noyce Scholarship program the full amount of the scholarship awarded. Should I not meet the high needs teaching requirements or fail to fulfill the (at least) two (2) year obligation, I will be required to repay Indiana State University and the NSF-Noyce Scholarship program the full amount of the scholarship awarded or the appropriate prorated share based on the required obligation based on my actual high needs teaching experience. Finally, I recognize that should I be determined to be ineligible at any point (i.e., GPA, academic progress, less than full-time enrollment) during my studies the scholarship may be revoked—although repayment is not necessary.

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Applicant Name  Date

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Applicant Signature