



### SUMMER CAMP ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND RELEASE

This Summer Camp Acknowledgment and Release (“Release”) is entered into as of the date of signature (“Effective Date”) between Texas Tech University (“University”) and the adult parent or guardian named below (“Guardian”), on behalf of such Guardian and the minor participant (“Minor”) named below.

1. **Camp Activity.** Guardian desires Minor to enter the University campus and participate in the summer camp for which Minor is registered, including but not limited to all classes, recreation, meals, housing, and social activities (“Activity”).
2. **Camp Handbook Acknowledgment.** Guardian acknowledges they have received, read, and understand the rules and regulations set forth in the TTU-UIL Summer Camp 2020 Handbook of Policies and Procedures (“Handbook”). By their signature here, Guardian acknowledges and agrees to the policies and disciplinary consequences set forth in the Handbook.
3. **Acknowledgment of Risk.** Guardian acknowledges that the nature of the Activity may expose Minor to hazards or risks that may result in personal injury, illness, or death, caused by: (a) engaging in the Activity or events associated with Activity; (b) traveling via any means of transportation to or from the Activity or during the duration of the Activity; (c) exposure to or use of materials, tools, supplies, equipment, machinery, or other items that are associated with or utilized during the Activity or related activities; or (d) exposure to other dangerous conditions associated with the Activity.
4. **Representations of Guardian.** Guardian represents: (a) Guardian is at least eighteen (18) years of age; (b) Guardian has the requisite capacity and legal authority to execute this Release on behalf of Guardian and Minor; (c) Minor is physically and mentally able to participate in all aspects of the Activity or related activities except as otherwise expressly disclosed to University in prior writing; and (d) Minor is able to be in the presence of, as well as use, the materials, tools, supplies, machinery, or equipment or other items associated with or utilized during the Activity or related activities.
5. **Conduct and Compliance with Laws and Policies.** Guardian represents Minor will comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, and University operating policies and direction in Minor’s conduct while engaging in the Activity.
6. **Release of University.** Guardian understands and agrees that University cannot be expected to control or avoid all risks associated with the Activity and related activities; therefore, in consideration of the benefits Guardian and Minor will receive through Minor’s participation in the Activity, Guardian, on behalf of Guardian and Minor, does hereby **RELEASE, PROTECT, INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD HARMLESS, UNIVERSITY AND ITS AFFILIATES, REGENTS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, AND VOLUNTEERS FROM AND AGAINST ALL CLAIMS AND CAUSES OF ACTION (INCLUDING COSTS AND ATTORNEY FEES) FOR ANY AND ALL DAMAGE TO PROPERTY, PERSONAL INJURY, DEATH, AND THOSE THAT OTHERWISE OCCUR, ARISING OUT OF ANY ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED BY, WITH, OR UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE UNIVERSITY, WHETHER CAUSED BY MINOR’S NEGLIGENCE, OR THE NEGLIGENCE, GROSS NEGLIGENCE, WILLFUL MISCONDUCT, OR ACTS OR OMISSIONS OF UNIVERSITY OR ITS AFFILIATES, REGENTS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, VOLUNTEERS, OR OTHER PERSON RELATED THERETO.**
7. **Measures to Protect K-12 Participants in Campus Programs.** Guardian acknowledges TTU staff follow guidelines to ensure participants are not subject to sexual abuse while at camp. Guardian supports these efforts and may report any exception to [minorsoncampus@ttu.edu](mailto:minorsoncampus@ttu.edu). The following guidelines are to be strictly followed:
  - a. *Camp staff will limit physical contact with participants.* Camp staff are not to wrestle with campers, tickle them, have them sit on their laps, give them hugs (except occasional shoulder-to-shoulder hugs), etc.
  - b. *One-on-one interaction will be limited.* There will be a minimum of two camp counselors in activities with campers at all times. No personalized, special attention such as giving gifts or personalized communication such as to participant cell phone or social media accounts is acceptable.
  - c. *Contact between program staff/volunteers and youth.* Contact is restricted to organization-sanctioned activities and times. Camp counselors should not contact participants outside of the Activity or Activity-specific needs.
  - d. *Privacy and Attire.* Camp staff must respect the privacy of campers in situations such as changing cloths and taking showers. Only in emergency situations should an adult enter an area where children are unclothed. Camp staff will at all times be dressed modestly, and Guardian shall encourage Minor to dress modestly at all times.
  - e. *Model Appropriate Interpersonal Behavior.* Camp counselors will use discretion in what personal or private experiences they share with campers, and they will never discuss or ask children questions about sexual experiences.
8. **Photo/Media Release.** Guardian authorizes University and its affiliates, departments, employees, and agents, the right and unrestricted permission to take, use, publish, reproduce, edit, exhibit, display, broadcast, or copyright photographic images, pictures, videos, testimonials, audio, and biographical data of Minor through any form of media (print, electronic, broadcast, or otherwise) for art, marketing, fundraising, publicity, archival, or any other lawful purpose (“Media”).

Guardian, on behalf of Guardian and Minor, waives any right to inspect or approve such Media and waive any right to royalties or compensation arising from or related to the use thereof and releases and agrees to hold harmless University and its affiliates, employees, and agents from any liability related to or resulting from use of the Media.

9. **Lost Keys.** Guardian expressly acknowledges the Lost Key Policy contained in the Handbook and agrees to be bound by the terms set forth, including but not limited to the charges for lost fees.
10. **Emergency Medical Treatment.** Guardian consents to any emergency medical treatment for Minor that may be required as a result of accident or illness arising out of participation in the Activity or related activities; provided, the cost of any such treatment will be Guardian's sole responsibility. Guardian acknowledges that University does not provide health and accident insurance for participants engaged in the Activity or related activities.
11. **Miscellaneous.** This Release shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas. If any term or provision of this Release is held invalid or unenforceable, the validity or enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not be affected. Guardian expressly agrees that this Release is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the laws of the State of Texas. The sole proper place of venue for any dispute arising out of this Release shall be in Lubbock County, Texas. By their signature below, Guardian now agrees to be bound by the terms of this Release for the duration of the Activity or related activities, whether such Activity began prior to, on, or after the Effective Date.

**Camp:**

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Camp Name

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Camp Dates

**Minor/Camper:**

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Minor/Camper's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Minor's Printed Name

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Minor/Camper's Cell Phone Number (if any)

**Guardian:**

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Guardian's Signature

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Guardian's Relationship to Minor

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Guardian's Printed Name

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Guardian's Cell Phone Number

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Date

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Guardian's Alternate Phone Number/Email

**Emergency Contact (Other than Guardian):**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

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Emergency Contact Phone Number

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Relationship to Minor

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Alternate Emergency Contact Number/Email