

**PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNS IF STUDENT IS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE**  
**SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY**  
**RELEASE OF LIABILITY FOR PARTICIPANTS IN CAMPS & CONFERENCES**  
*(PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING)*

I, \_\_\_\_\_, the Parent/Guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, hereby acknowledge that I freely and voluntarily permit my child to participate in \_\_\_\_\_ to be held on the campus of Southern Methodist University ("SMU"), during the time period \_\_\_\_\_, 2025 through \_\_\_\_\_, 2025 ("Camp"). I understand that participation in the Camp is completely voluntary; that my child is under no obligation to take part in the Camp; that the Camp is provided through SMU to enhance my child's educational experience; and that NO INSURANCE COVERAGE MAY EXIST THROUGH SMU TO COVER ANY CLAIMS THAT MAY ARISE OUT OF MY CHILD'S PARTICIPATION IN THE CAMP. I have fully read this Release of Liability ("Release") and hereby execute this Release with the intent to bind myself, my spouse (if applicable), my heirs, assigns, and legal representatives. I further represent that I am at least eighteen (18) years of age and competent to sign this Release.

I understand that on some occasions, my child must arrange his/her own transportation related to the Camp and/or on some occasions, SMU may arrange transportation. I further understand and agree that my child's decision to accept transportation from SMU is completely voluntary and accepted at his/her own risk that he/she is not required to accept such transportation, and that such transportation will not be covered by any SMU insurance. I understand that if my child chooses to take his/her own automobile he/she must provide his/her own automobile collision and liability insurance. I also understand that if my child accepts transportation offered to him/her by another Camp participant and/or SMU student, staff, or faculty member driving his/her own automobile, that my child accepts such transportation at his/her own risk. I understand and agree that whatever alternate mode of transportation he/she may choose will not be covered by any insurance policy owned by SMU.

I fully understand and acknowledge that certain elements of the Camp may be physically and emotionally demanding and that by my child's participation in the Camp, he/she faces risks of accidental and/or other physical and/or emotional injuries. These risks may include, but are not limited to, (1) loss or damage to personal property; (2) physical or emotional injury or fatality due to, and/or related to, (a) all modes of travel while participating in the Camp, whether by airline, automobile, train, boat, trolley, taxi, bus, public transportation or walking, (b) the condition of facilities which may or may not be under the control and maintenance of SMU, (c) exposure to inclement weather, outdoor terrain, and all the risks inherent therein, including but not limited to: sunburn, heat exhaustion, insect bites/allergies, dust, dirt, etc., as well as any and all injuries, whatsoever, which may be sustained from activities of the Camp, including, but not limited to, walking, running, jumping, swimming, bending, standing for extended periods of time, lifting small amounts of weight, handling athletic/activity equipment, being exposed to others handling athletic/activity equipment, colliding with other participants, and slips and falls; these injuries include, but are not limited to, scratches, lacerations, contusions, bruises, cuts, abrasions, muscle sprains, back injuries, soreness, concussions, broken bones, and (d) any and all other aspects and stress related to the Camp, including interaction with personnel who are not employees of SMU, risks inherent to staying overnight in a campus residential facility, and risks inherent to travel to a rural or metropolitan area, and (e) suffering any type of injury, illness, or infectious disease without immediate access to medical facilities.

I understand and voluntarily choose to allow my child to assume the risks of his/her participation in the Camp and hereby represent that he/she can participate in this Camp, with or without reasonable accommodations. I further acknowledge that my child has asked for and has received reasonable accommodations for any disability my child may have brought to the attention of the Camp coordinators, having first presented valid certification of his/her disability. My child and/or I agree to advise the Camp coordinators at any point when my child questions his/her ability to participate in any activity of the Camp.

**I understand and agree that (A) the Camp is to be conducted independently of SMU and (B) SMU will not in any respect be liable or responsible for the activities, acts, or actions related to the operation, conduct, or activities of the Camp, AND THEREFORE, I EXPRESSLY AGREE AND INTEND THAT MY CHILD'S PARTICIPATION IN THE CAMP SHALL BE UNDERTAKEN BY MY CHILD AT HIS/HER OWN RISK AND THAT NEITHER SMU, ITS TRUSTEES, OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES, STUDENTS, AGENTS, VOLUNTEERS, NOR ASSIGNS SHALL BE LIABLE FOR ANY INJURIES, DAMAGES, CLAIMS, DEMANDS, ACTIONS OR CAUSES OF ACTION WHATSOEVER WHICH MAY ARISE OUT OF OR IN CONNECTION WITH MY CHILD'S PARTICIPATION IN THE CAMP, WHETHER FROM ACTS OF ACTIVE OR PASSIVE NEGLIGENCE ON THE PART OF MY CHILD AND/OR ON THE PART OF SMU, ITS TRUSTEES, OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES,**

**STUDENTS, AGENTS, VOLUNTEERS, OR ASSIGNS, AND I, FOR MYSELF, MY HEIRS, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, DO HEREBY FOREVER RELEASE, DISCHARGE, INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD HARMLESS ITS TRUSTEES, OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, VOLUNTEERS, AND/OR ASSINGS FOR ANY CLAIMS, CAUSES OF ACTIONS, DEMANDS, EXPENSES, JUDGMENTS, FEES AND COSTS WHATSOEVER ARISING FROM OR IN CONNECTION WITH MY CHILD PARTICIPATING IN THE CAMP; AND WILL DEFEND SMU, ITS TRUSTEES, OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES, STUDENTS, AGENTS, VOLUNTEERS, AND/OR ASSINGS FOR ANY SUCH INJURIES, DAMAGES, CLAIMS, DEMANDS, ACTIONS, OR CAUSES OF ACTION.**

The terms of this Release are to be governed by and construed under the laws of the State of Texas. In the event any term or provision of this Release is found to be unenforceable or void, in whole or in part, the term or provision concerned shall be construed as valid and enforceable to the maximum extent permitted by law, and the balance of this Release shall remain in full force and effect. I agree that exclusive venue for any dispute arising between SMU and I involving this Release in any way shall be in Dallas County, Texas.

I hereby acknowledge that I freely grant SMU and its agents or employees the right and permission to photograph/video and publish at any time in the future photos, videos, or other media that contains my child's likeness, in whole or in part and with or without my name for SMU-related editorial, promotional, educational, advertising, or trade purposes. I nor my child will make no monetary or other claim against SMU and its agents or employees for the use of the photograph(s)/video(s).

**I expressly affirm that I intend for any use of a keypad, mouse, or other device to type my name below ("E-signature") to be the legal equivalent of a manual hand-written signature for purposes of validity, enforceability, and admissibility. I agree that no additional authority or third-party verification is necessary to validate my E-Signature and the lack of such verification will not in any way affect the enforceability of my E-Signature as pertaining to this Release.**

ACCEPTED AND AGREED:

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's/Guardian's Signature Parent's/Guardian's Printed Name

Participant's/Minor's Name:: \_\_\_\_\_

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT CONSENT AND INFORMATION FORM**

1. Please identify all known allergies to foods, drugs, insect bites, dust, etc. and the nature of the reaction (if none, please put N/A):

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2. In case of emergency, the following person should be contacted:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Night Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please sign below to provide consent for emergency medical treatment. Please note that Camp coordinators are not trained medical professionals and may not be able to help if a serious accident or illness occurs. If a Camp participant requires emergency medications, the Camp participant should bring the medications and be prepared to self-administer.

**Parent/Guardian signs if participant is under 18 years of age:**

I hereby authorize Southern Methodist University ("SMU") to acquire, at my expense, any and all necessary emergency medical care required for my child, \_\_\_\_\_ to be held on the campus of SMU, during the time period \_\_\_\_\_, 2025 through \_\_\_\_\_, 2025 (the "Camp").

This authorization does\_\_ does not\_\_ **(check one)** authorize blood or blood products to be provided to my child.

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

(Printed Name)

\_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

(Printed Name of Participant)

**NOTICE: THIS FORM MUST BE PRESENTED PRIOR TO ADMITTANCE TO THE CAMP, CONFERENCE, OR CLINIC.**