

WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

A parent, guardian, or otherwise legally responsible person must sign this waiver for students under the age of 18.

In consideration of my minor child, being permitted to participate in any way in _____, I, the Undersigned, for my minor child, all of my or my minor child's, personal representatives, executors, administrators, heirs, next of kin, successors and assigns, herein referred to as "Releasers", do hereby:

1. Acknowledge that this Activity carries with it the potential for serious injury, death and/or property damage, and certify as to my physical fitness and that of my minor child to participate and declare that neither I, nor my minor child, have been advised otherwise by a qualified medical professional.
2. Acknowledge, agree, and represent that I and my minor child will, at all times, be aware of the surroundings during the Activity and agree that if I or my minor child consider anything related to this Activity to be unsafe, will immediately advise the Activity officials of such, and if necessary, will leave the area or refuse to participate further in the Activity.
3. Acknowledge, agree, and represent that I or my minor child will, at all times, follow the safety procedures and directions of the instructor of this class and agree that I or my minor child will not participate in this Activity at the direction of the instructor if safety procedures and instructions are not followed.
4. Waive, release and discharge, and covenant not to sue, Howard County Library System, employees, volunteers, sponsors, and agents, including others who give recommendations, directions, or instructions as part of this Activity, hereinafter referred to as "Library", from any and all liability to Releasers for any and all loss or damage, and any claim or demands therefore, on account of injury to the person or property or resulting in my death or that of my minor child arising out of or related to the Activity, including traveling to or from the Activity.
5. Agree to Indemnify and Save and Hold Harmless the Library and each of them from any loss, liability, damage, or cost that they may incur arising out of or related to my or my minor child's participation in this Activity.
6. Assume full responsibility for any risk of bodily injury, death or property damage arising out of or related to the Activity.
7. Agree that this Release and Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement extends **to all acts of negligence by the Library, not including gross negligence and willful misconduct,**

and is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by law including any governmental immunity afforded the Library by law and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect.

8. Authorize any medical treatment, including the administration of anesthesia, deemed advisable by any licensed physician to relieve any injuries received or illness contracted by me or my minor child as a participant in this Activity.
9. Authorize and consent to the Library, its sponsors, and any news media, and their successors and assigns and those acting under their authority, to take, publish, use in any media, and copyright photographs, videotape or other and audio or visual media, including broadcast in any media, of me or my minor child and agree that such may be used for any lawful purpose without further compensation or approval.

By my signature alone, I acknowledge that I have carefully read this agreement in its entirety and understand it, and I voluntarily agree to all statements and provisions of this agreement including the Release of Liability. I am 18 years of age or older or am the responsible person of a minor.

Name of student:

Name of parent, guardian, or otherwise legally responsible person:

Signature:

Date: _____