

**VSU PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT AND WAIVER FORM FOR MINORS**

**PROGRAM/ACTIVITY INFORMATION**

Program/Activity Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Location \_\_\_\_\_

**PARTICIPANT INFORMATION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address (include city/state/zip) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Gender \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

**RELEASE, WAIVER OF LIABILITY, AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE**

I (Name) \_\_\_\_\_, the parent or legal guardian of the Participant, (Minor Name) \_\_\_\_\_, for the sole consideration, the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, of the right to participate in the event or program described as \_\_\_\_\_ (the Program), do hereby agree to the following relating to the Program.

I fully and voluntarily consent to my child's participation in the Program. I hereby acknowledge my awareness that participation in the Program may expose me/my child to risk of property damage, bodily or personal injury. Participation could include certain physical activities such as but are not limited to athletic camps, after school programs, science camps, music camps, enrichment activities, swimming, overnight camps, lifting, crossing streets, parking lots, university transportation and intersections. I understand that the risks that I/my child may encounter include, but are not limited to transportation accidents, injury from falls, injury in inclement weather, bumps, bruises, cuts and abrasions, muscle strains and sprains, and exposure to contagious diseases which may cause death, as well as other risks that may not be foreseeable. I knowingly and freely assume any and all such risks. I am aware that Valdosta State University does not warrant the condition or adequacy of any equipment, premises, vehicle, pools or mode of transportation for any purpose.

In exchange for being allowed to participate in the Program, I hereby release and forever discharge and agree to indemnify the Valdosta State University, the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, its members individually and their officers, agents and employees from any and all claims, demands, rights, expenses, actions, and causes of action, of whatever kind, arising from or by reason of any personal injury, bodily injury, property damage, or the consequences thereof, whether foreseeable or not, resulting from or in any way connected with my participation in the Program. I further covenant and agree that for the consideration stated above, I will hold forever harmless and will not take legal action against the Valdosta State University, the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, its members individually, and their officers, agents, and employees for any claim for damages arising or growing out of my participation in this activity whether caused by negligence or otherwise.

I understand that the acceptance of this Release, Waiver of Liability, and Covenant not to sue shall not constitute a waiver, in whole or part, of sovereign immunity by the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, its members, officers, agents, and employees.

I certify that I understand and have read the above carefully before signing. I acknowledge and represent that I freely and voluntarily sign this Agreement, and that it is my express intent that this Agreement shall contractually

bind my heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, and my child's heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, as well as myself and my child.

**Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning License Exemption**

I acknowledge that I have been informed that this program is not a licensed child care facility. I also understand this program is not required to be licensed by the Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning and this program is exempt from state licensure requirements.

**Photograph and Video Release:**

I give Valdosta State University and the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, the right and permission to use, reproduce, edit, exhibit, project, display, copyright and/or publish my/my child's images, likeness, and recordings in which I/my child may be included in the whole or in part, developed during participation in the Program/Activity and thereafter, and to circulate the same in all forms and media for any lawful purpose whatsoever. My consent includes, but is not limited to, images, likenesses and recordings that may be deemed to be educational records under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 ("FERPA").

I understand and agree that my/my child's image, likeness or recording will become part of [the institution's] photograph and/or recording file and that it may be distributed to other organizations or individuals for use in any publications, media, or technology now known of or hereafter developed in the future for any lawful purpose whatsoever without further permission from me. I also understand that I will receive no compensation in connection with the use of my/my child's image.

I hereby waive the right to inspect or approve my/my child's image, likeness or recording or any finished material that incorporates such. I further release, discharge, and agree to waive [the institution] and the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, their licensees, successors, legal representatives and assignees from any liability for violation of any personal or proprietary right that I may have in conjunction with said images, likenesses and images and with the use thereof. I further acknowledge and agree that Valdosta State University and the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia and its members, their officers, agents, and employees shall not be responsible for any of such image, likeness or recording by any third party accessing it through the internet or any other means.

\_\_\_\_\_ No, I do not grant permission for my/my child's image, likeness or recording to be used in any form, unless necessary for the administration of the program in which my child is participating.

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY PARTICIPANT CODE OF CONDUCT

Program/Activity/Camp Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Participant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name (Please Print): \_\_\_\_\_

The Program has established rules and standards of conduct for all Participants. It is the responsibility of the Parent/Legal Guardian and the Participant to review the Program rules and standards of conduct. Dismissed Participants are not eligible for a refund of any fees or expenses. The Parent/Legal Guardian is responsible for all costs associated with removing the Participant from the Program due to his/her misconduct, including but not limited to transportation costs to return the Participant home.

## **Expectations of Behavior & Conduct:**

1. Participants are expected to be respectful of others. No violence, including sexual abuse or harassment, will be tolerated. Hazing of any kind is prohibited. Bullying including verbal, physical, and cyber bullying are prohibited.
2. The inappropriate use of cameras, imaging, and digital devices is prohibited, including use of such devices in showers, restrooms, or other areas where privacy is expected by participants.
3. The possession or use of alcohol and other drugs, fireworks, guns and other weapons is prohibited.
4. Use of tobacco products is prohibited on all University property.
5. Misuse or damage of University property is prohibited. Charges will be assessed against those participants who are responsible for damage or misuse of University property.
6. No theft of property, regardless of owner, will be tolerated.
7. The operation of a University motor vehicle by minors is prohibited while attending the program.
8. The parking of staff and participant vehicles must be in accordance with University parking regulations.
9. Rules and procedures governing when and under what circumstances participants may leave University property during the program must be made explicit by the Program Administrator and communicated in writing to program participants, staff and to the Minor Coordinator.
10. Any Authorized Adult or Program Staff or other Mandatory Reporter, who, under Georgia law has reasonable cause to believe that suspected child abuse has occurred, shall immediately report the suspected abuse to the Valdosta State University Police Department and the appropriate supervisor or Program Administrator who is able to take immediate action. (The USG further expects that any other USG employee, whether a Mandatory Reporter or not, will also appropriately report suspected child abuse.) The institution must ensure that the Division of Family and Children Services is notified of the suspected abuse immediately and in no case later than 24 hours after the Authorized Adult or Program Staff (or other reporter) first had reasonable cause to suspect the abuse.

11. If the Authorized Adult believes that the Program Administrator and/or the Minor Coordinator may be involved in the allegations of assault or abuse, they shall inform University Police directly.

**PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT**

I understand that as a condition for participating in the Program I must comply with the Program’s rules and standards of conduct and follow all reasonable direction of the Program Staff. Failure to comply with the Program’s rules and standards of conduct or failure to comply with the reasonable direction of Program Staff may result in my being dismissed from the Program.

Participant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN AGREEMENT**

I understand that my child will be subject to the rules and standards of conduct of the Program, Valdosta State University and the University System of Georgia. I further understand that my child’s violation of the rules and standards of conduct or failure to comply with the reasonable direction of Program Staff may result in my child’s dismissal from the Program. I accept responsibility for all costs associated with removing my child from the Program, including but not limited to transportation costs to return the Participant home. I understand that Dismissed Participants are not eligible for a refund of any fees or expenses.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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

## Valdosta State University Pick Up Authorization

**I. *Personal Information*** (please print)

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Participant Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian/Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**II. *Authorized Pick Up***

Please list any individual who is authorized to pick up your child, including yourself. Each authorized person must be at least 16 years of age. The above-named child will not be permitted to leave the program with anyone who is not listed below. Authorized individuals must pick up the child in person and may be requested to show identification to program staff. Children will not be released to persons who fail to provide acceptable identification upon request.

I authorize the following responsible persons to pick up my child from the program (attach additional pages as needed):

Authorized Person	Phone Number	Relationship to Child
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Please note that children must be picked up by designated times. If an authorized adult is unable to be reached, program members will contact the local police department as a last resort to take your child home. If you are not at home, your child may be released to the Division of Family and Children Services.

**III. *Authorized Dismissal***

My child is at least 16 years of age and will be responsible for his/her own transportation to and from the program. My child may sign himself/herself out at the end of the program activities.

**Signature of Parent or Guardian:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Name\*:** \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please note that only the enrolling parent will be permitted to complete this form.