

# Release of Liability Waiver Off-Site Youth Activities

Dakotas Conference of The United Methodist Church



This form is  
**REQUIRED** for all  
attendees. Please turn  
in at Event Check-in

While the church will endeavor to assure the safety of its participants and volunteers, there are unavoidable risks of injury – and even death – associated with offsite youth activities.

**Consequently, a properly executed Release of Liability is required before anyone may attend an offsite youth activity as either a participant or volunteer.**

Such a Release of Liability is set forth below. If you are a prospective participant or volunteer under eighteen years of age, one of your parents or your legal guardian must print his or her name below and then sign and date the line designated "Custodial Parent/Guardian." If you are a prospective participant or volunteer eighteen years of age or older, you must print your name below and then sign and date the line designated "Adult Participant or Volunteer." You are encouraged to consult an attorney if you have any questions about the meaning of this document. If you have any questions about the activities provided for our youth, you should contact the church office.

### Person Signing:

*(Print neatly the appropriate name as described above, either parent or guardian of participant or staff under 18, or participant or staff 18 and older)*

**By signing below, I (Print)**

X \_\_\_\_\_  
acknowledge and agree to the following:

1. I have read and understand the risks summarized above and acknowledge that the activities in which I may engage can be dangerous and can involve risk of serious injury or death. I also acknowledge that not all potential risks associated with all camp or retreat activities or services are listed herein but are reasonably foreseeable;
2. I understand that my participation in offsite youth activities is voluntary and I may decline to participate in any activity or offered. I further understand that it is my obligation and responsibility to continually look out for any conditions or circumstances that may be unsafe. If at any time I feel anything to be unsafe, I will immediately notify an adult in charge and, if necessary, immediately leave the area or stop participating in the event which I feel may be unsafe;
3. I understand that in order to participate in certain offsite youth activities I may be transported in a licensed, insured vehicle of the church or in some instances a privately owned vehicle;
4. I understand that in the case of a medical need not requiring onsite emergency medical treatment I may be transported in a licensed, insured vehicle of the church or in some instances a privately owned vehicle;
5. In consideration of attending an offsite youth even as a participant or volunteer, I expressly assume the risks of such attendance. Further, for myself and on behalf of my executors, administrators and heirs, I release and hold the church I attend, including the owners, trustees, officers, employees, agents and volunteers of the entities, harmless from any and all claims, suits or liability arising in any way from my attendance at an offsite youth activity for injury to my person or property or my death caused by the negligence of these entities and/or individuals to the fullest extent allowed by law, it being the intention of the parties for this release to be as broad and inclusive as allowed by law;
6. In consideration of my child's or ward's attendance at an offsite youth activity as a participant or volunteer, I, for myself and on behalf of my minor child or ward and his or her executors, administrators and heirs, give permission to my minor child or ward to participate in any of the activities offered at such activity, subject to the limits identified below and release and hold the church my child or ward attends, including the owners, trustees, officers, employees, agents and volunteers of the entities, harmless from any and all claims, suits or liability arising in any way from the child's or ward's attendance at offsite youth activity for injury to my child or ward or his or her property or his or her death caused by the negligence of these entities and/or individuals to the fullest extent allowed by laws, it being the intention of the parties for this release to be as broad and inclusive as allowed by law

**Printed Name of Participant:** X \_\_\_\_\_

If participant is under age 18:  
X \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Custodial Parent/Guardian:      Date:

- OR -

If participant is 18 or older:  
X \_\_\_\_\_  
Adult Participant or Volunteer:      Date: