



Youth Programs Mandatory Forms

For

Online Programs

RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT FORM
UTRGV-Youth Programs Online Participation

Name of Youth Program: _____ **Youth Program Date(s):** _____

GENERAL PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

STUDENT INFORMATION:

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____ City _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION FOR MINOR PARTICIPANTS-Under 18 years of age:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Address: _____ City _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone #: _____ Alternate Phone # : _____

Relationship: _____ Email: _____

1. _____ I am the above named participant who is eighteen years of age or older, (or the Parent/Guardian of the above named participant who is under eighteen years of age), and I am fully competent to sign this Agreement. I have voluntarily applied to participate in (or give my participant permission to engage in) the above Activity. I acknowledge that the nature of the Activity may expose me (or my participant) to hazards or risks that may result in my (or participant's) illness, personal injury or death and I understand and appreciate the nature of such hazards and risks.

* 2. _____ In consideration of my (or the permission I give my participant in) taking part in the Activity, I hereby accept all risk to my (or my participant's) health and of my (or his/her) injury or death that may result from such participation and I hereby release the above named Institution, its governing board, officers, employees and representatives from any and all liability to me (or participant), my (or participant's) personal representatives, estate, heirs, next of kin, and assigns for any and all claims and causes of action for loss of or damage to my (or participant's) property and for any and all illness or injury to my (or participant's) person, including my (or his/her) death, that may result from or occur during my (or participant's) participation in the Activity or Trip, whether caused by negligence of the Institution, its governing board, officers, employees, or representatives, or otherwise. I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Institution and its governing board, officers, employees, and representatives from liability for injury or death of any person(s) and damage to property that may result from my (or participant's) negligent or intentional act or omission while participating in the described Activity or Trip.

* 3. _____ I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT AND UNDERSTAND IT TO BE A RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS AND CAUSES OF ACTION FOR PARTICIPANT'S INJURY OR DEATH OR DAMAGE TO PARTICIPANT'S PROPERTY THAT OCCURS WHILE PARTICIPATING IN THE DESCRIBED ACTIVITY OR TRIP AND IT OBLIGATES ME TO INDEMNIFY THE PARTIES NAMED FOR ANY LIABILITY FOR INJURY OR DEATH OF ANY PERSON AND DAMAGE TO PROPERTY CAUSED BY PARTICIPANT'S NEGLIGENT OR INTENTIONAL ACT OR OMISSION.

Student Signature: _____ Date : _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

UTRGV Online Youth Program Student Rules

Youth Programs at UTRGV are intended to provide an enriching experience for all participants. To ensure all have a positive experience, a zero-tolerance policy for student misbehavior will be followed. Any violation to these rules will result in immediate dismissal from the program.

o The following rules have been designed for students' safety in an online environment.

o Students must always follow these rules or risk being dismissed from the program.

1. I will attend all classes and follow the schedule provided. If I must be absent, my parent or guardian will notify the youth program contact immediately
2. I understand an online summer program should be treated the same as an in-person program. I will be respectful of the instructor and other participants in the program. I will not be disruptive to the instruction, and I will log in on time and be ready to participate. I will ensure I am in a quiet room with a backdrop free of offensive or inappropriate material.
3. I understand I am expected to dress appropriately while on camera. Camp attire is casual but should follow school dress code rules. Pajamas, swimwear, or clothing with offensive language or messaging is not permitted at any time.
4. I will not, under any circumstances, be disrespectful to other students, guest speakers, counselors, or anyone associated with the youth program.
5. I understand that there is zero-tolerance for use or display of alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, and tobacco products. Any violations of this rule will result in immediate expulsion from the program.
6. I understand I am expected to refrain from excessive electronic usage of my personal devices (i.e. cell phones, tablets, etc.) unless directly related to course material.
7. I understand I should not communicate with other students, instructors, tutors, mentors, etc. outside of the scheduled class time.
8. There is zero-tolerance for engaging in cyberbullying; participation in cyberbullying will result in immediate dismissal from the program.
9. Students are not allowed to communicate virtually one-on-one with other participants during the program all communication should be monitored.
10. Parent(s)/Guardian(s): I understand that although my child will be monitored in the online environment by program staff, it is always his/her responsibility to abide by all program rules and regulations.
11. Parent(s)/Guardians: I understand that my child must always be supervised in the home by an adult while participating in the online youth program.

Minor Participant Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

***Measures to Protect K-12 Participants in Online Youth Programs
Parent Acknowledgement***

Youth Program staff at UTRGV follows strict guidelines to ensure participants are not subject to sexual abuse while at camp. Parents support these efforts by reporting any exceptions to Daniela Venegas, Youth Program Support Manager, at 956-665-2522(campus phone).

The following guidelines are to be followed strictly. Please report any exceptions to Daniela Venegas at the numbers above:

Youth Program Staff will:

- Limit staff/volunteer contact with minor participants to duration of online program only.
- Monitor communication between minor participants in the online environment.
- Ensure that messages in email, text, or learning platforms are sent to a group or class and not to an individual student.
- Be present in the online environment and monitor participation.
- When necessary, ensure that communication from a staff member to an individual student includes a CC to parent and camp director or other camp staff member.
- Not engage with one-on-one communication with a minor participant in any form.
- Reinforce to minor participants that one-on-one contact with other minor participants is not allowed outside of the online program schedule.

Contact between program staff/volunteers and youth is prohibited

- Program staff/volunteers will not contact youth outside of online program schedule.
- Program staff/volunteers will not engage in social media communication with youth.

Appropriate Attire

- Youth Program staff will dress modestly.
- Youth Program participants should follow their school dress code policy.

Youth Program staff/volunteers will model appropriate interpersonal behavior

- They will use discretion in what personal or private experiences they share with a child and will never discuss or ask children questions of a sexual nature or that could be perceived as such.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Release of Student Information, Pictures, & Video

CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION

The personal information that you provide UTRGV will be maintained within the UTRGV DEPARTMENT NAME. This information is protected by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974.

RELEASE OF STUDENT INFORMATION

I, _____, authorize UTRGV to release official transcripts, test scores, and

Parent/Guardian Name

other records of my son/daughter _____ to the professional staff of UTRGV for evaluation purposes. I also authorize the professional staff of UTRGV to further release these records to other institutions for admission, educational planning, and program developing purposes.

- Yes, I do** agree with the conditions stated above.
- No, I do not** agree with the conditions stated above.

AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF PHOTOGRAPHS/ VIDEO

I, _____, authorize UTRGV to use photographs of _____.

Parent/Guardian Name

Participant Name

I understand that these photographs will be utilized for promotional, recruitment, and informational purposes in the form of newsletter, newspaper, pamphlet, brochure, scrapbook, commercials, news, documentary, promotional video, and/or any other media form and/or any other media form that will require his/her image.

- Yes, I **do** agree with the conditions stated above.
- No, I **do not** agree with the conditions stated above.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE FOR ABOVE STATEMENTS

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date