

Parent Statement

I hereby state that my child is in good mental and physical health condition to participate in the activities provided by **ATFS**, including but not limited to all aspects of hiking, outdoor games, kayaking, fishing, etc. I am fully aware that many activities require students to be outside in a natural setting. I hereby release **ATFS, its employees, and its volunteer staff** from liability to the above-named student, of the person claiming through them, arising from injury to the person or property of child occurring on the premises of **ATFS**, including any event sponsored or sanctioned by **ATFS**.

I understand that **ATFS** has the right to deny admittance to any child not meeting the standards of the program as it sees fit. I also agree not to hold these parties responsible in the event that my child engages in inappropriate conduct (including, but not limited to disruptive or volatile behavior in or out of programs, etc.) or becomes involved in any activity or with any persons not associated with **ATFS** or its scheduled program and that **ATFS** has the right to send them home for inappropriate conduct. I further attest that the information contained in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge. In addition, I have agreed to the policy statement and agree to comply.

Contact Information

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Waiver & Release Agreement

I acknowledge that kayaking, wilderness hiking, learning outdoor skills and wilderness camping have inherent risks, hazards and dangers that cannot be eliminated. I understand that these risks, hazards, and dangers, which may arise from foreseeable and unforeseeable causes, INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

- Certain river, road, vehicle, and land surface/sub-surface conditions
- Collision with other objects
- Malfunctioning equipment
- Hiking in rugged country
- Encounters with wildlife, animals, or insects
- Contact with poisonous plants
- Allergies due to wildlife or plants
- Temperature and weather extremes
- Falling out of a raft and drowning
- Variations in terrain such as creeks, water, bridges, traveled roads, stumps, forest growth, debris, rocks, cliffs, and other obstacles, obvious or not, man-made or natural
- The potential of any participant to act in a negligent manner, or to not act within his/her ability, that may contribute to injury to themselves or others
- The potential that a guide may misjudge terrain, weather, trail or river routes, and water level
- The unavailability of immediate medical attention in the case of injury
- and ANY OTHER such risks, hazards, and dangers that are integral to recreational activities that take place in the wilderness or outdoor environment

I, on behalf of myself, my personal representatives and my heirs, hereby voluntarily agree to release, waive, discharge, hold harmless, defend, and indemnify NCMNS and their board of directors, agents, officers, and employees from any and all claims, actions, or losses for bodily injury, paralysis, property damage, death, loss of services, or otherwise which may arise out of my use of kayaking and camping equipment or my participation in outdoor activities.

I understand that I am releasing, discharging, and waiving my claims or actions that I may have, presently or in the future, for the negligent acts or other conduct by the owners, agents, officers, or employees of the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences.

The North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences has my permission for complete usage of all photographs taken by NCMNS. Student names will never be included without prior parental consent.

I am in good physical health and have the ability to safely engage in whitewater rafting and wilderness camping activities.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THE WAIVER AND RELEASE AGREEMENT, CLEARLY UNDERSTAND IT, AND BY VOLUNTARILY SIGNING IT, I AGREE TO ITS TERMS.



Pick-up Policy

Campers should only be released to parents/guardians who have been approved on their registration forms. Each registration form should contain a list of approved people that are allowed to pick up your child. This person must **show a photo ID** to pick up your child that matches the name you have given. Parents/guardians should sign their students in and out each day.

Discipline Policy

Listed below are the discipline procedures for campers who are exhibiting unacceptable behavior. Depending on the severity of the behavior, we may skip a particular step. (I.e. aggressive behavior will not be tolerated.)

Step 1: - Verbal Warning: address the guidelines and expectations.

Step 2: - Time away from the group: During time away a camper may have to sit out from activities including games, kayaking or a special event. Parents will be notified of their child's time away.

Step 3: - Written Warning given to Parent: if a child persists in unacceptable behavior, a written warning will be issued. The Recreation Coordinator or Lead Counselor will speak with the child and their parent/guardian. The parent/guardian will be required to sign the written warning and will be required to pick your child up from camp.

Final Step: - After receiving two written warnings the child will be dropped from Summer Day Camp and will not be permitted to sign up for Summer Day Camp in the future. No refunds will be given.

Please review these rules with your child prior to the first day of camp and return with your registration form. The staff will review these expectations with your child at the beginning of each week as well. Thank you in advance for your cooperation. We hope to have a great summer!

I have read and discussed the Day Camp Guidelines and Discipline Policy with my camper.