Permissions/Liability Information

Statement of Risk and Liability; Certificate of Health, Emergency Waiver, Field Trips, and Publicity

In consideration for allowing ____________________________ to participate in Pre-College Programs, I, as his/her parent/guardian represent and affirm to the University of Rochester that:

- I understand that participating in any activity involves a risk of injury or harm.
- All such risks are being assumed knowingly and voluntarily, including but not limited to those associated with travel to and from the program.
- I certify that my child is in good health and has no physical condition that would prevent him/her from participating in the program.
- In the event of the program’s inability to locate me, or the emergency contact designee, I give permission to program authorities to take such emergency measures as they deem appropriate until such time as the emergency contact designee or I can be contacted.
- I will not hold the University of Rochester, its employees, and agents responsible for any injury or other harm that results from program participation.
- I understand that participation includes attendance at all sessions of the required activities outlined in the program descriptions, and I further understand that I may include participation in field trips and other activities away from the campus site. I give permission for my student to attend these functions and to be transported by program-approved transportation, unless I give written withdrawal of permission from a specific event.
- Students may have opportunities to speak about their experiences in the program to the media during classes and presentations. I give permission for the use of any photos, movies, audio, or video tapings of my child’s activities at the University of Rochester. The material so obtained may be used for educational purposes or for publicity benefitting education.

Code of Conduct and Discipline

Students in the pre-college programs engage in a challenging academic experience as active participants in the learning process. In order to ensure that the pre-college programs can be fully dedicated to their academic and educational mission, students are expected to adhere to the University of Rochester's Code of Conduct. Additional policies and procedures beyond those stated in the University of Rochester's Code of Conduct apply to students in these programs, including but not limited to the following. Students are expected to adhere to these guidelines, and disregard may result in dismissal from the program.

Respect for Others: The University of Rochester community consists of people with diverse backgrounds and beliefs. The University of Rochester welcomes students in a wide variety of programs, including middle and high school students in academic and athletic programs, collegiate students pursuing undergraduate and graduate degrees, and students enrolled in a variety of workshops. Every effort is made to provide for the needs of all our students.

Conduct that is disrespectful or demeaning of the rights of others, including but not limited to verbal, physical, or sexual harassment, will not be tolerated and may result in disciplinary action, including possible dismissal from the program. Students are expected to be respectful of all faculty, staff, students, and visitors on campus, both in and out of the classroom.

Cell Phone Use: While students may carry their cell phones, the phones should remain either off or on vibrate and should not be visible to instructors. We reserve the right to take the phone if a student is asked to put it away and refuses. The cell phone will be returned to the student at the end of class.

Illegal Substances: Possession, use, distribution, or being in the presence of alcohol and illegal drugs is not permitted.

Smoking: The University of Rochester mandates a smoke-free environment.

Weapons: Dangerous weapons (firearms, explosive materials, knives, etc.) are strictly prohibited. If a weapon is found, it will be confiscated and an investigation will be conducted.

Disorderly Conduct: Tampering with fire or emergency equipment or failure to comply with a reasonable request from University of Rochester officials acting in performance of their duties are all contrary to University of Rochester regulations.

Failure to abide by these policies and procedures may result in disciplinary action, which may include: a warning, probation, consultation with parents, or in case of serious or repeated behavior problems, dismissal from the program.

Should a student be dismissed from the program for any reason, tuition, fees, and any other program-related expenses will not be refunded.

Your signature below indicates that you and your parent/guardian have read and understand the terms and policies listed above and agree to abide by them.

Student Name (printed) ____________________________ Student Signature ____________________________ Date ____________

Parent/Guardian Name (printed) ____________________________ Parent/Guardian Signature ____________________________ Date ____________