

**Assumption of the Risk and Waiver of Liability Relating to
Coronavirus/COVID-19
Diocese of Little Rock**

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. As a result, federal, state, and local governments and federal and state health agencies recommend social distancing and have, in many locations, prohibited the congregation of groups of people.

_____ **(Insert Name of Youth Program/Event “the Program”)** has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, the Program cannot guarantee that you or your child(ren) will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, attending the Program could increase your risk and your child(ren)’s risk of contracting COVID-19. By signing this agreement, I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that my child(ren) and I may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by attending the Program and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at the Program may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to, Program employees, volunteers, and program participants and their families.

I voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury to my child(ren) or myself (including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, and death), illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense, of any kind, that I or my child(ren) may experience or incur in connection with my child(ren)’s attendance at the Program or participation in Program programming (“Claims”). On my behalf, and on behalf of my children, I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless the Program—including but not limited to its employees, agents, and representatives, the Diocese of Little Rock, and any Parish or School with which the Program is affiliated—of and from the Claims, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto. I understand and agree that this release includes any Claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of the Program, its employees, agents, and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in any Program event.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Print Name of Parent/Guardian

Name of Youth Participant(s)