Form 260-05

**CONSENT AND WAIVER FORM**

For Student Participating In High Risk Activity

**In consideration of Cowichan Valley School District offering my child, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, an opportunity to participate in a field trip for Grade \_\_\_\_\_\_ students on month/date/year, I waive any and all claims I may have against, and release from all liability and agree not to sue The Board of Trustees of Cowichan Valley School District and its officers, employees, agents, volunteers and representatives, and the Ministry of Education for any personal injury, death, property damage or loss sustained as a result of my child’s participation in the field trip, arising out of any cause whatsoever, including negligence provided that the School District has not engaged in gross negligence or willful misconduct.**

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I hereby give my consent, and acknowledge by my signature that:

Students will be going to       (*location*) and will be away from the school from      to      (*dates/times*). They will be travelling by      (*i.e.: school bus, public transport, foot).*

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On this field trip, up to       (*number)* students will be:

(*describe all activities – i.e. skiing, hiking, walking, using climbing apparatus, cooking meals on camp stoves, tenting)*

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The students will be supervised by      (*a typical response might be “2 school employees and hopefully 2 - 4 parent volunteers”. It is important to indicate supervisory arrangements that will not be modified or reduced. For instance, consider whether the trip will proceed even if there are no parent volunteers, or if a specific teacher is sick, but a substitute is available.*  ***\*\* With older grades,*** *you should add a sentence saying:* Your child will not necessarily be supervised by an adult at all times*.)*

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My child has no illnesses, allergies or disabilities that may require special attention, except as described here:

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I am aware of the usual risks and dangers inherent in participation in all of the activities associated with this trip, and of the possibility of personal injury, death, property damage or loss resulting from the activities. The dangers and risks may include, but are not limited to: *(provide specific and comprehensive information on any risks that are applicable. Some examples follow.)*

1. *Unorthodox or high risk travel arrangements*
2. *Program locations*
3. *Rugged terrain*
4. *Rock fall and avalanches*
5. *Weather*
6. *Equipment breakages, failures*
7. *Delayed rescue, accessibility*
8. *Conduct of the guide, chaperone or other group members.*
9. *The possibility that your child may not heed safety instructions or restrictions given to the group.*
10. *Exposure to any number of illnesses, communicable diseases, including SARS, specifically if your child requires any medical attention in a hospital facility*

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I will supply suitable equipment and clothing for my child’s participation in all activities associated with the field trip, including:      .

I am aware that I should contact the school for further information if I am unaware what clothing and equipment is required for the activities or possible weather conditions of this field trip. My child and I understand that it is our responsibility to ensure my child has all necessary equipment and clothing.

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My child and I understand that the school’s Code of Conduct applies during this field trip. I will be responsible for any costs caused by my child’s failure to abide by the Code of Conduct, including any costs to send my child home.

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Accidents can be the result of the nature of the activity and can occur with or without any fault on either the part of the student, or the school board or its employees or agents, or the facility where the activity is taking place. By allowing your son/daughter to participate in this activity, you are accepting the risk of an accident occurring, and agree that this activity, as described above, is suitable for your child.

 *Initial*

In signing this Consent and Waiver, I am not relying on any oral or written representation or statements made by the School Board and its servants, agents, employees, or authorized volunteers, or the Ministry of Education, to induce me to permit my child to take the trip, other than those set out in this Consent and Waiver.

 *Initial*

I am 19 years of age or more and have read and understand the terms of this consent and waiver, and understand that it is binding upon me, my heirs, executors and administrators.

Date:

Signature of Witness Signature of Parent/Guardian

Printed Name of Witness Printed Name of Parent/Guardian

Address: Address:

Date:

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NOTE: This consent and waiver must be signed by ALL custodial parents or guardians of a child who is under the age of 19 years.

**This form MUST be signed and returned to the office at least 10 days before the event.**