

**WSU CHALLENGE COURSE  
ASSUMPTION OF RISK, RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND CONSENT**

**PLEASE READ BEFORE SIGNING**

To all Adult Participants and to all Parents or Guardians of Minor Participants:

You or your child have been invited to join the WSU 4-H Challenge Ropes Course. All participants must have a copy of this form signed by themselves (if and adult) or by their parent or guardian (if a minor) as a condition of participation.

1. All participants are advised that the Challenge Course activities involve some strenuous physical activity. Some (such as hiking, rappelling, and climbing) present a risk of injury higher than that which people normally face in their everyday lives. This risk of injury cannot be wholly relieved by any preventive measures, whether restrictive rules, training, equipment or personal discipline. For each activity in the Challenge Course Program, the skills required to participate safely in the activity will be described. The decision whether to engage in any particular activity that forms part of the Challenge Course Program shall be entirely the participant's. Participation in the Program in no way obligates anyone to engage in any activity they do not feel they can accomplish.
2. On behalf of my minor child, (or on my own behalf, if an Adult Participant), I expressly acknowledge my full understanding of the risks of injury, including serious injury, disability or death, that participation in the Challenge Course Program entails. I acknowledge that I have had full opportunity to discuss the nature and extent of these risks with officials of the WSU 4-H Challenge Program, in order to inform myself fully on this subject. Based on that full understanding, I freely and knowingly assume all such risks, whether specifically known and unknown, even if arising from the negligence of WSU or any agent of WSU. I accordingly assume full and sole responsibility for my (or my minor child's) participation in the Challenge Course Program. (Challenge course instructor will be available for discussion when you arrive at camp.)
3. I agree to comply with all stated customary terms and conditions for participation in the Challenge Course Program. (NOTE: Parents or guardians cannot agree to this on behalf of their minor children. The minor child must sign this document himself or herself). I and/or my minor child recognize and acknowledge that if I or he/she experience and unusual concerns regarding participation in any aspect in the Challenge Course Program, I or he/she is free at any time to cease participation in this Program. In such a case, the appropriate group leaders should be notified immediately.
4. On behalf of myself and on behalf of my minor child (to the extent allowed by law), I hereby release and forever discharge Washington State University, its 4-H Program, the Challenge Course Program, and all of the employees, officers, volunteers or agents of those entities including as well any third party sponsors of Challenge Course activities, lessors of premises used to conduct Challenge Course events, other participating sponsoring agencies for the Program, and all others associated with producing and administering the Challenge Course Program, from and against any liability, including but not limited to damage to property, personal injury, disability or death, resulting from my or my minor child's involvement in any aspect of the Challenge Course Program. This release applies whether the alleged injuries or damages arise from the negligence of any of the parties released in the previous sentence or not, to the fullest extent allowed by law.
5. To the fullest extent allowed by law, I, for myself and/or my minor child, and for any of our respective heirs, assign, personal representatives and next of kin, hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless all the parties released in Article 4 hereof from and against any and all liabilities arising from my participation in the Challenge Course Program. This undertaking to provide indemnity shall apply to the fullest extent allowed by law, even if the liability asserted against any of the indemnified parties arises wholly or partially from their own negligence.
6. I understand that I must report any prescription medication which I take and/or medical supervision, and any existing medical, physical or mental condition which may affect my ability, or the ability of my minor child, to participate in Challenge Course activities, to the group leader before the outing commences. I also understand and agree that no use of alcohol, tobacco or drugs (aside from prescription medications described in the previous sentence) is permitted on any Challenge Course Program.

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I HAVE READ THIS ASSUMPTION OF RISK, RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND CONSENT. I FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS AND THAT BY MY SIGNATURE I GIVE UP CERTAIN RIGHTS I MIGHT OTHERWISE HAVE UNDER LAW. I SIGN THIS DOCUMENT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY, WITHOUT INDUCEMENT.

I, \_\_\_\_\_(parent, guardian, or adult participant) hereby

consent to allow \_\_\_\_\_(minor child) to participate in the WSU 4-H Challenge Course Program, under the terms set forth in the Assumption of Risk, Release of Liability and Consent Agreement. The Challenge Course Program for which this consent is give is scheduled to occur between July 19th through July 25th 2009.

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Signature of Parent or Guardian

Emergency Phone Number

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Signature of Participant (Adult or Minor)

Date