



# WEST HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

## Parent/Guardian COVID-19 Consent Form & Liability Waiver

### Introduction

During the last quarter of the 2019-20 school year, a worldwide pandemic was declared as a result of the coronavirus (COVID-19). The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) states that “the virus that causes COVID-19 is thought to spread mainly from person to person, mainly through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes.” As the CDC learned more about the virus, it alerted the public on possible preventative measures. West Highland Christian Academy (WHCA) will continue to follow updates from the CDC, our state and local health standards, and will put in place reasonable preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19 at the school. However, even though such standards will be followed and reasonable measures put into place, the school cannot guarantee that you or your child(ren) will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, in-person attendance at the school could increase your risk and your child(ren)’s risk of contracting COVID-19.

### Consent

By signing this agreement, I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and that my child(ren) and I may be exposed to, or infected with, COVID-19 by participating in school activities and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and/or death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed, to or infected with, COVID-19 at West Highland Christian Academy may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to: school employees, volunteers, and program participants and their families.

Considering the foregoing, however, I, (parent/guardian name) \_\_\_\_\_ grant permission for my child(ren) to participate in this school activity that may require transportation to a location away from the school site, notwithstanding the risks associated with the COVID-19 virus and group activities.

If there are any necessary changes to my child(ren)’s medical information, I will make those changes in the FACTS portal or will contact the school to make those changes.

I agree to comply with all policies and procedures to assist the school in keeping WHCA safe and healthy.

I further agree on behalf of myself, my child(ren) named herein, and my spouse, our heirs, successors, and assigns, to release, indemnify, hold harmless, and defend West Highland Christian Academy, a ministry of West Highland Baptist Church, its members, directors, officers, employees, agents and representatives (“indemnitees”) associated with the event arising from or in connection with the negligent acts or omissions of the indemnitees in relation to prevention of the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

I SPECIFICALLY ACKNOWLEDGE AND AGREE THAT I AM AGREEING TO DEFEND, INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS THE INDEMNITEES FROM THEIR OWN NEGLIGENCE IN REGARD TO THE INDEMNITEES’ NEGLIGENT ACTION AND/OR INACTION IN REGARD TO PROTECTION AGAINST THE COVID-19 VIRUS.

### Facial Coverings

Please initial the line below regarding Governor Whitmer’s mandate on facial coverings, if it applies to your child(ren).

\_\_\_\_\_ My child(ren) cannot medically tolerate the wearing of any\* facial covering. *\*Under certain circumstances, students may be asked to wear a facial covering for a brief period of time. It is the students’ and parents’ responsibility to insure that any student assumes personal responsibility to keep and wear their facial covering at appropriate times. WHCA staff will not be held responsible for reminding students to wear their facial covering.*

Student Name(s) (print) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name(s) (print) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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