

**WAIVER/RELEASE FOR COMMUNICABLE DISEASES INCLUDING COVID-19  
ASSUMPTION OF RISK / WAIVER OF LIABILITY**

The novel coronavirus (“COVID-19”), has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is 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.

Berkeley County School District (the “District”) has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, the District cannot guarantee that you or your child(ren) will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, attending and/or participating in any school-related activity within the District’s schools 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 and/or participating in sports related activities in connection with the District’s schools and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. I understand that my child(ren)’s attendance and/or participation school related activities within the District’s schools is completely voluntary. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself, my child(ren) and others, including, but not limited to, the District’s employees, volunteers, and other 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 and/or participation in school related activities at the District’s schools (“Claims”). I and my child(ren) willingly agree to comply with the preventative measures and conditions for attendance and participation in school related activities for protection against the spread of COVID-19.

On my behalf, and on behalf of my child(ren), I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless the District, its employees, agents, and representatives, 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 District, its employees, agents, and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in any school related activities.

This is to certify that I, as parent/guardian, with legal responsibility for this participant, have read and explained the provisions in this waiver/release to my child(ren) including the risks of presence and participation and his/her personal responsibilities for adhering to the rules and regulations for protection against communicable diseases. Furthermore, my child(ren) understands and accepts these risks and responsibilities.

**I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND SIGN IF FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.**

Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of participant: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parent/guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Parentguardian/signature: \_\_\_\_\_