

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM – LEGAL PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT & WAIVERS

PARENT OBLIGATIONS

1. I/We give permission for my/our child to take part in all programs sponsored by the Mission Public School District #75 International Student Program. This includes school field trips and recreational activities organized by the International Program staff.
2. In case of serious infractions of program rules as outlined in the Student Agreement for Mission Public School District #75 International Student Program, I/We understand that my/our child may be required to return home. In this situation, I/We understand that there will be no refund of program fees and that I/We will be financially responsible for my/our child's return home.
3. I/We agree, should it become necessary, to the return home of my/our son/daughter for serious medical reasons. In this case, I/We understand that I/We am responsible for travel expenses.
4. I/We will discuss with my/our son/daughter, the responsibilities of an International student as outlined in the Student Agreement for the Mission Public School District #75 International Student Program.
5. I/We understand that Canada is a multi-cultural country and that customs and traditions of families may be different from my/our own. I/We understand that discrimination, based on race, philosophy, or religion is illegal in Canada.
6. I/We understand that my/our child will be assessed by program staff for English language competency and placed in a suitable program. This may include ESL classes. I/We agree that my/our child will remain in ESL until the teaching staff feel that he/she is ready for regular programming.
7. I/We understand that although Canada and its communities are very safe by world standards, and that my/our child will be generally supervised both at school and by the homestay family, such supervision will not be constant and the child's constant safety cannot be guaranteed.
8. I/We hereby waive and release and absolve and agree to indemnify and save harmless Mission Public School District #75, the Host Family, and all Program employees, from all liability arising from my/our child's participation in the Mission Public School District #75 International Student Program.
9. I/We permit Mission Public School District #75 to use photographs or images of my/our child in promotional materials. This may include but is not limited to pictures published on the International Program or Mission Public School district websites, print materials, marketing videos, newsletters, school yearbooks, or online on the social media profiles of Mission Public Schools International Student Program.
10. I/We give permission for my/our child to participate in travel to the USA or other Canadian provinces with an approved host family or International Student Program Staff provided that adequate medical insurance is in place.

I/We agree that my/our child will return home promptly after their program end date. I/We understand that any extension of stay beyond the program end date must be approved in advance by the Mission International Student Program. I/We agree to provide all details of any plans to extend beyond the program end date. I/we will obtain approval from the Mission International Student Program, and provide appropriate signed release waivers well in advance of the program end date. ADDITIONAL HOMESTAY FEES WILL APPLY.

I/we, as parents/guardians of the undersigned student, do hereby confirm that I/we have reviewed with my/our child the terms and conditions of this agreement which my/our child has signed and agreed to honour, and I/we agree that my/our child and I/we shall be bound by all the terms of this agreement.

I/we, as parents/guardians understand that having signed this agreement, failure of my/our student to follow the above rules could result in disciplinary action and/or immediate dismissal from the Mission Public School District #75 International Student Program. Should it be necessary to send my/our student home, I/we understand that the Canadian Immigration Consulate will be notified immediately.

Name of Student

Name of Parent/Legal Guardian 1

Signature of Parent /Legal Guardian 1

Date

Name of Parent/Legal Guardian 2

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian 2

Date

STUDENT/PARENT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

This agreement is between: **The Board of Education of Mission Public School District #75**

And _____
Student's Full Name (please print)

And _____
Father/Guardian Full Name (please print)

And _____
Mother/Guardian Full Name (please print)

In consideration of The Board of School Trustees of Mission Public School District #75 agreeing to provide to the student an education program and a monitored Host Family program, the student and parents must read carefully and accept all of the terms and conditions set out in this agreement. By signing this agreement all parties hereby agree to be bound by and to honor its terms and conditions. Breach of this agreement may result in termination from the program.

STUDENT OBLIGATIONS

I, _____, agree as follows:
Student's First Name & Last Name

LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. I agree to abide by the laws of Canada while a resident.
2. I will always respect cultural differences and understand that Canada is a multi-cultural country. I understand that discrimination based on nationality, gender, political or religious affiliation is illegal in Canada
3. I agree to reside with a homestay family selected through the Mission Public Schools International Student Host Family Program.
4. I agree not to purchase, use, or have in my possession, which includes my Host Family home or property, and school locker, any drugs not prescribed for me by a doctor. This includes all hallucinogenic substances and all cannabis products, but does not include non-prescription medications for minor illnesses such as colds.
5. I agree not to purchase, use, or have in my possession, which includes my Host Family home or property, and school locker, any alcoholic beverages. This includes beer and wine as well as hard liquor.
6. I agree not to purchase, use, or have in my possession, which includes my Host Family home or property, and school locker, any weapons including firearms, air guns, knives, or martial arts implements.
7. I agree to respect the property of others and understand that any theft is against the law.
8. I agree not to engage in fighting, bullying, racial taunting or similar activity.
9. I agree that I will not own, rent or drive a motor vehicle.

ATTENDANCE AND SCHOOL WORK

1. I agree to attend school on a regular basis and to bring a note from the Host Family parent(s) explaining any absence from school.
2. I agree to complete all homework and class assignments.
3. I agree to make a consistent and determined effort in my school work, and will try to maintain passing grades, and to maintain good work habits in all subjects.
4. I agree to obey school rules as outlined in my school's student handbook.
5. I understand that Plagiarism is academic dishonesty and is absolutely forbidden.

HOST FAMILY CONDUCT AND BEHAVIOUR OUTSIDE THE HOME AND SCHOOL

1. I understand and agree to follow the Host Family guidelines outlined in the Student Orientation Manual, and the house rules of my host family.
2. I agree not to move from my assigned Host Family and that any move to another Host Family is arranged through the Homestay Coordinator or a program staff member.
3. In the event of a problem or disagreement with my Host Family, I agree to notify the Homestay Coordinator or a program staff member promptly who will attempt to resolve any concern.
4. I will cooperate with my Host Family and respect their rules and guidelines.
5. If I want to travel outside the Mission District in Canada, I will complete the Travel Request form, with my Host Parents, a week before departure to ask permission from International Program Staff. I understand that cross border travel is allowed with prior approval and adequate medical insurance.
6. I agree not to visit such places as adult theatres, pornographic websites and lounges, bars or night clubs where alcoholic beverages are served.

Signature of Student

Date

Student e-mail address

Student cell number (to be completed upon arrival)

ACTIVITIES WAIVER FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS CONSENT OF PARENT/GUARDIAN AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Please read carefully. If this form is not signed and returned by the first day of attendance in Mission Public School District 75, your child will not be allowed to participate in the following activity(ies). By signing this form, you consent to your child's participation in the following activities/destinations:

- Camping
- Caving/Spelunking
- Go-Karting or Riding on All Terrain Vehicles (ATV's)
- Hiking
- Horseback Riding
- Mountain Biking
- Rock Climbing
- Sightseeing including land, water or air travel
- Skateboarding
- Snow Sports (Skiing, Snowboarding, Snowshoeing, Sledding, Tubing, and others)
- Trampoline
- Water Sports (including swimming, boating, kayaking, canoeing, sailing, surfing and others)
- Whale Watching
- Travel to other Canadian Provinces or the USA.

_____ Parent Please Initial to
Approve Participation

DATE(S): During the academic program at Mission Public School District 75

PURPOSE OR EDUCATIONAL GOAL(S): Cultural and recreational activities and/or entertainment

METHOD OF TRANSPORTATION: Bus or Passenger Van or Host Parent vehicles

HEAD SUPERVISOR: Mission Public School District 75 approved supervisor

TOTAL NO. OF SUPERVISORS PLANNED: 1 adult to 14 students

COST TO THE STUDENT: Varies depending upon activity

POTENTIAL KNOWN RISKS

Risk	Injury
Variable and unforeseen risks associated with recreational activities listed above including unforeseen circumstances, weather or water conditions, horseplay, collisions with moving or fixed objects, slips, falls, injury by an animal including but not limited to kicks from a horse, equipment failure or negligence on behalf of the operator, student failure to heed safety instructions, delayed rescue or accessibility, etc.	Head injuries, concussion, torn or damaged ligaments, broken bones, fractures, sprained joints, muscle injuries, cuts, scrapes, bruises, burns, hypothermia, drowning, quadriplegia, frostbite, sunburns, damaged eye sight, broken teeth, and/or other injuries including possible death
Travel to and from activity	Any injuries associated with a road vehicle accident including possible death

To participate in any activities, students must wear the appropriate safety clothing and equipment, including but not limited to, a CSA Approved Helmet and /or Life Jacket for activities where this equipment is required.

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THE BOARD of EDUCATION, SCHOOL DISTRICT #75, WILL MAKE EVERY REASONABLE EFFORT TO ENSURE OR ASCERTAIN THAT:

- a. The staff, volunteers and/or service providers involved are suitably trained and qualified.
- b. The students are adequately supervised over all aspects of the program/activity.
- c. The location(s) used are appropriate and safe for the activity(ies) and group.
- d. Equipment used has been inspected and deemed appropriate and safe.
- e. A Safety Plan is in place to identify and manage known potential risks.
- f. An Emergency Plan is in place to deal with an injury or illness to any of the students.

_____ Parent Please Initial
to Confirm Agreement

Parental Consent:

- 1. I/We accept the mode of transportation provided for the programs/activity(ies).
- 2. I/We acknowledge my/our rights and responsibilities to obtain as much information as I/we require about this program/activity(ies) and associated risks and hazards, including information beyond that provided to me/us by the school or the Board of Education.
- 3. I/We freely and voluntarily assume the risks/hazards inherent in the program/activity(ies) and understand and acknowledge that my/our child may suffer personal and potentially serious injury arising from his/her participation.
- 4. My/Our child has been informed that he/she is to abide by the rules and regulations, including directions and instructions from the school's and/or service provider's administrators, instructors, and supervisors over all phases of the program/activity(ies).
- 5. In the event my/our child fails to abide by these rules and regulations, disciplinary action may require his/her exclusion from further participation.
- 6. I/We acknowledge that it is my/our duty to advise the International Student Program Staff of any medical and/or health concerns of my/our child that may affect his/her participation.
- 7. I/We acknowledge that the Board of Education may choose to cancel trips if travel conditions are deemed unsafe (e.g., weather, health advisory, security). I/we accept that the Board may not be liable for any costs associated with such a cancellation.
- 8. I/We acknowledge that the trip supervisors may secure transport to emergency medical services as they deem necessary for my/our child's immediate health and safety, and that I/We shall be financially responsible for such services.
- 9. Based on my/our understanding, acknowledgement, and consents as described herein, my/our child has my/our permission to participate in the program/activity(ies) provided.

Name of Student

Name of Parent/Legal Guardian 1

Name of Parent/Legal Guardian 2

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian 1

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian 2

Date

Date

Personal information contained on this form is collected under the authority of the British Columbia, Ministry of Education's School Act, for the purpose of participating in school trips. If you have any questions about this form, please contact the Program Manager.

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AUTHORIZATION, VERIFICATION AND SIGNATURES

- A. I/We acknowledge that the Mission Public School District shall not be held liable for losses or expenses that may result from the Board being unable to provide tuition/education owing due to labor disputes or other causes beyond its control.
- B. I/We further acknowledge that the Mission Public School District also reserves the right to place students in a school program that best suits the student's need for English language instruction and their academic goals.
- C. I/We acknowledge that if my/our child's personal, educational or homestay needs are greater than those disclosed in the application process, the Mission Public School District has the right to charge for extra support if available, or to send the student home at the parent's expense.
- D. I/We are aware that any inaccuracy in this application or the deliberate withholding of essential information will be grounds to permit the District at its option, to terminate this agreement and send the student home at the parent's expense.
- E. The agreement between the school district and the parents of a student in the program will be interpreted in accordance with the laws in the province of BC and any litigation involving interpretation of the agreement will be conducted in BC, Canada.
- F. I/we understand and acknowledge that the Mission Public School District refund policy is as follows:
 - (a) Full Refund (less application fees) if the Canadian Immigration does not authorize the student to attend school in Canada. All requests must include the formal letter of refusal from Canadian Immigration and the original letter of acceptance issued by the International Student Program;
 - (b) Students who withdraw prior to their start date will receive two thirds (2/3) of their tuition fee and 100% of any prepaid homestay monthly fees;
 - (c) Students who withdraw within 30 days of the start of their program will receive one half (1/2) of their tuition fee;
 - (d) Students who withdraw after 30 days of the start of their program will not receive a refund on their tuition paid;
 - (e) Students who are asked to withdraw due to a violation of school or program rules will not receive a refund and student will be sent home at the parents' expense.
- G. **Medical Release Authorization:** I hereby accept that a School District #75 Mission Administrator may authorize necessary medical treatment, by a licensed physician, for my son or daughter without personal liability, in case of medical emergency. This authorization shall be valid for the full duration of the student's enrollment in the Mission International Program.

By signing this Application, we hereby attest to the accuracy of the information provided and accept responsibility for all agreements, waivers and releases herein.

Name of Student

Name of Parent / Legal Guardian 1

Name of Parent / Legal Guardian 2

Signature of Parent / Legal Guardian 1

Signature of Parent / Legal Guardian 2

Date

Date