

**WAIVER OF LIABILITY RELATING TO CORONAVIRUS/COVID-19**

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is reported to be extremely contagious. The state of medical knowledge is evolving, but the virus is spread from person-to-person contact and/or by contact with contaminated surfaces and objects, and in the air. People can be infected and show no symptoms and therefore spread the disease. Evidence has shown that COVID-19 can cause serious and potentially life-threatening illness and even death.

The San Mateo Union High School District (“SMUHSD”) cannot prevent you or your child(ren) from becoming exposed to, contracting, or spreading COVID-19 while participating in or attending activities on SMUHSD’s premises, such as high and moderate contact sports. It is not possible to prevent against the presence of the disease. Therefore, if you or your child(ren) choose to participate in or attend activities on SMUHSD’s premises, you may be exposing yourself to and/or increasing your risk of contracting or spreading COVID-19.

By signing this agreement, you acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that you or your children may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by attending or participating in an activity on an SMUHSD campus or facility, and that such exposure or infection may result in injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. You understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 as a result of attending or participating in SMUHSD Outdoor High-Contact and Moderate-Contact sports may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of yourself and others, including, but not limited to, activity staff, activity 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 or my child(ren)’s participation in or attendance at an activity on a SMUHSD campus or facility (“Claims”). On my behalf, and on behalf of my child(ren), I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless SMUHSD and its employees, trustees, 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, whether known or unknown, foreseen or unforeseen. I understand and agree that this release includes any Claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of the SMUHSD, its employees, agents, and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in or attending any activities on a SMUHSD campus.

**I AM THE PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN OF THE MINOR NAMED BELOW, HAVE THE LEGAL RIGHT TO CONSENT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS RELEASE. I HAVE CAREFULLY READ AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ALL PROVISIONS OF THIS RELEASE, AND FREELY AND KNOWINGLY ASSUME THE RISK AND WAIVE MY RIGHTS CONCERNING LIABILITY AS DESCRIBED ABOVE:**

Student’s Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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

Parent/Guardian Name (printed): \_\_\_\_\_

Eligible Student (over 18) Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_