

## WAIVER FOR FIELD TRIP

The Board of Trustees of  
Grande Yellowhead Public School Division  
(the "Division")

### Consent for Participation, Risk Acknowledgement, Waiver and Indemnity For Category C & D - International Field Trips

#### BY SIGNING THIS LEGAL DOCUMENT YOU:

- INDICATE THAT YOU UNDERSTAND THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH THE FIELD TRIP
- GIVE UP CERTAIN RIGHTS INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO SUE
- AGREE TO ASSUME FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY INJURY OR DAMAGE RESULTING FROM YOUR CHILD'S PARTICIPATION IN THE FIELD TRIP
- INDICATE THAT YOU UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO ALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS INCLUDED IN THIS FORM

#### GENERAL

1. My child \_\_\_\_\_ wishes to participate in the  
Name of Child  
\_\_\_\_\_, (the "Field Trip").  
(describe activity)

I have read and I understand the contents of the Parent Information letter, attached hereto, which sets out the details of the Field Trip, and I consent to and give permission for my child to participate. I understand and acknowledge that my child's participation in the Field Trip is wholly voluntary and does not form a part of his/her compulsory education.

#### ASSUMPTION OF RISK

2. I hereby acknowledge and agree that international travel, such as the Field Trip, involves elements of risk or hazard and that death, injuries, loss or damage can occur to my child, including but not limited to the following:
- Theft or loss of personal property;
  - Violence and crime;

- Disease;
  - Violent weather conditions;
  - Military activity, political unrest or terrorist activities;
  - Lower standards of medical facilities or medical care;
  - Increased medical costs not covered by travel insurance
  - Suspension of Travel; and
  - Additional Costs associated with extended or prolonged stay
3. I have reviewed and understand the most current travel reports issued by the Canadian Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade for the destination of the Field Trip, including the risks detailed in the report.
  4. I acknowledge and agree that it is my responsibility to acquire and review all relevant information regarding the risks and hazards of the Field Trip before consenting to my child's participation in the same.
  5. I consent to my child's participation in the Field Trip and I agree to accept such risks and hazards and fully understand that I will be solely responsible for any loss, injury or damage sustained by my child.

#### **WAIVER OF LIABILITY**

6. I acknowledge and agree that death, injury, loss or damage can occur without any fault of my child, the school board, its employees, trustees, volunteers or agents. I hereby freely accept and assume all risks associated with the participation of my child in the Field Trip. In consideration of my child's voluntary participation in the Field Trip, I hereby waive any and all claims, expenses, demands, costs, suits, liabilities and causes of action against Grande Yellowhead Public School Division, its trustees, employees, volunteers and agents (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Division"), which may arise out of such injury or loss or damage and I release the Division from any liability in that regard. I understand that the Division will be responsible for injury, loss or damage suffered by my child while participating in the Field Trip if such injury, loss or damage arises as a direct result of the negligence of the Division.
7. I accept and agree that it is my child's responsibility to abide by all laws and obey all rules set out for the Field Trip. I agree that the supervisors of the Field Trip (which includes teacher and volunteer chaperones) may require my child to return home if a breach of those rules occurs and I agree to be responsible for and pay any and all costs that may arise.
8. I also acknowledge and agree that if my child wilfully departs the trip without authorization of a supervisor or breaches the regulations and rules of the trip, the Division will not be responsible for any injury, loss or damage suffered by my child, including death.

9. In consideration of my child's voluntary participation in the Field Trip, I further agree to indemnify (which means to secure or protect against hurt, loss or damage and to reimburse for any loss sustained) and hold harmless (which means to assume the liability inherent in a situation, thereby relieving the other party of responsibility) the Division from any and all expenses, costs (including legal costs) or financial obligations arising from any suits, demands, claims, actions of any kind which may be brought against the Division for which it may become liable by reason of any injury, loss, damage or death resulting from, or occasioned to or suffered by any person or any property as a result of any act, neglect or default of myself or my child.
10. I acknowledge that it is my responsibility to advise the Division of any medical and/or health concerns which may affect my child's participation in the Field Trip.
11. I acknowledge and agree that a supervisor may take any actions deemed necessary by the supervisor for my child's health, safety and well-being, including the securing of medical treatment and transporting my child home (at my expense).
12. I acknowledge that it is my responsibility to obtain any additional insurance (including but not limited to health care, trip cancellation, property or personal effects insurance, accidental death, disability or dismemberment or medical expense insurance) on behalf of my child.
13. I acknowledge and understand that the Division is unable to provide insurance coverage for death, injury, damage or medical expenses arising directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, out of terrorism or out of any activity or decision of a government agency or other entity to prevent, respond to or terminate terrorism. In consideration for my child's voluntary participation in the activity or program, I hereby waive any and all claims of every kind that I have or may have in the future and hereby release and hold harmless the Division from any liability for any death, bodily injury, property damage or personal injury to my child or myself that may arise, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, on account of terrorism or decisions of a government agency or other entity to prevent, respond to or terminate terrorism, regardless of any other contributing or aggravating cause or event.
14. In consideration for my child's voluntary participation in the Field Trip, I further agree to hold the Division harmless from any and all expenses, costs (including legal costs) or financial obligations arising from any suits, demands, claims, actions of any kind which may be brought against the Division for which it may become liable by reason of any injury, loss, damage or death resulting from, or occasioned to or suffered by any person or any property as a result of any Act of God, strikes, or government restrictions, and for acts or omissions of any persons or agencies not directly controlled by the Division, including, without limitation, airlines, bus companies, railways, travel agencies, shipping companies, hotels or guides.
15. I understand and acknowledge that the Division may cancel the Field Trip or any portion thereof at any time, for any reason, and that in such event I would not be entitled to a refund of any or all of the fees paid.

16. I hereby acknowledge that I have read and understand the foregoing and do hereby approve and consent to all of the above. I hereby give permission for my child to participate in the Field Trip.

SIGNED at \_\_\_\_\_, in the Province of Alberta this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's/Guardian's Name and Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's/Guardian's Name and Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness

I have read the above and it has been explained to me by my parent or guardian.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Child's (Student's) Name and Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness

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

**DISTRIBUTION: File at school level, copy to Office of the Superintendent**