



DEMOCRACY PREP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Field Trip Consent, Waiver, and Release Form

Democracy Prep offers its students many opportunities to participate in field trips for the purpose of educational enrichment. To that end, each student's parent or guardian must authorize Democracy Prep to take his/her child outside the confines of the school facilities. When you execute this permission slip, you will authorize your child to participate in all Democracy Prep field trips during each school year.

Participation of students on most Democracy Prep field trips is voluntary; parents who have specific questions about any part of a field trip activity are encouraged to contact their child's Campus Director. Teachers and often parent volunteers accompany students on these trips. We expect students to maintain the same behavior on field trips as that expected in school and throughout the school year. Please note that behavior infractions prior to the field trip could jeopardize the student's opportunity to participate.

If the destination of the trip is too far to walk, students and their chaperones usually take public transportation. Offsite trips begin at the child's school; students must leave for their trip from their Democracy Prep school and cannot meet the school group at the designated location from another site (e.g., home). Furthermore, Democracy Prep requires that all students participating on field trips return to their school before they are dismissed for the day, unless a student's parent provides Democracy Prep with specific written permission to allow the student to embark for another destination upon the conclusion of the trip. Such permission must be provided to the school no later than 24 hours prior to the start of the trip.

Waiver and Release

I understand that these events will take place away from the school grounds and that my child will be under the supervision of the designated school employees. I understand that my child is expected to follow all applicable rules, standards, instructions and laws, including, but not limited to, those that pertain to riding in a motor vehicle and any other mode of transportation. I further understand that my child is to behave responsibly and to follow the school's discipline code and policies and to follow the directions provided by the school trip leaders and chaperones.

As a parent or guardian, I understand that the school staff will do everything possible to prevent any accidents. However, I fully understand that some activities on field trips involve inherent risks to students regardless of all feasible safety measures that may be taken by Democracy Prep including the risks associated with traveling to and from the location of the trip by walking, public transportation or other means and the possibility of bodily injury, emotional distress, and even death, incurred while transporting to or participating in the trip.

I agree that I am solely responsible for any loss, damage, or injury to my child that occurs during my child's participation in a field trip even that is caused by the negligence of Democracy Prep, Democracy Prep Public Schools or any charter school it operates or manages, their officers, trustees, directors, volunteers, agents, chaperones, or other affiliates (together, "Democracy Prep") not including any loss, damage, or injury that is the result of gross negligence or willful misconduct of Democracy Prep.

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In consideration of my child being allowed to participate in field trips, I for myself, my child, my child's other parent/guardian(s) if any, and any of my or our executors and assigns hereby agree to release, discharge, indemnify and hold harmless Democracy Prep from any and all claims of liability, injury, or damage that we may have or that we could each bring on our own, or on my or our child's behalf, from or relating to or in connection with my child's participation in field trips. I further agree to release and discharge Democracy Prep from any claim that we may have or that we could each bring on our own, or on my or our child's behalf, with regard to any damages, demands, or actions whatsoever, including those based in negligence, in any manner arising out of my scholar's participation in the field trips. This release and indemnification does not apply to claims for intentional misconduct or gross negligence.

Consent to Medical Treatment. I agree that in the event of an emergency injury or illness and in the event that I cannot be contacted, the staff member(s) in charge of the trip may act on my behalf and at my expense in obtaining medical treatment for my child. I further agree that I release Democracy Prep from any claim whatsoever that might arise on account of any such medical treatment.

I have read this entire Consent, Waiver and Release Form, fully understand it, and agree to be legally bound by its terms.

I authorize my son/daughter _____ to attend any and all Democracy Prep field trips. I understand that I may, from time to time, receive additional information from my child's school setting forth specific details, including return time and costs not borne by Democracy Prep, in advance of particular field trips.

Parent or Guardian's Signature

Parent or Guardian's Name (please print)

**Phone number(s) where parent or guardian
can be reached in case of emergency**

Date