COVID-19 / Communicable Disease Acknowledgement & Waiver

The Diocese of _____ and its parishes and schools have put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and other communicable disease. These measures may be required to best protect against the introduction of viruses at the parishes and schools, including but not limited to hygiene practices, completion of screening forms, social distancing, and the use of personal protective equipment such as masks and/or gloves. Even by following all best practices for preventative measures, the Diocese, Parish and School cannot guarantee that infection with COVID-19 or another communicable disease will not occur.

By signing this agreement, I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that my child(ren) and I could possibly be exposed to or infected by COVID-19, by participating in the activities of Parish and/or School, and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and even death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at the Parish or School may result from the actions, omissions or negligence of myself and others, including but not limited to, employees and volunteers of the Diocese of _____, its parishes and its schools.

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, 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) attendance at School or any School or Parish activity. On my behalf, and on behalf of my children, I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge and hold harmless the Diocese of _____, _____School and _____ Parish, their employees, volunteers, agents and representatives of and from any and all claims, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto unless due to the gross negligence on behalf of the Parish or School. I understand and agree that this release includes any claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of any of the foregoing persons or entities, its employees, volunteers, agents and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection or communicable disease occurs before, during or after participation in any Parish or School program or activity.

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Parent/Guardian Name Signature Date

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Parent/Guardian Name Printed

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Child(ren) Name(s)

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