



COVID-19 Waiver, Release, and Assumption of Risk Form

COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. The new Delta variant is proving to be even more contagious and is affecting our youth and younger population. Although [Parish] has implemented protective measures to reduce the chance of spread of COVID-19, we cannot guarantee that your child(ren) will not become infected while participating in in-person learning and other parish-sanctioned activities.

On behalf of me, my household members, and my minor child(ren) identified below, I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and specifically assume all risks and hazards associated with my child(ren)'s in-person religious education attendance during the COVID-19 pandemic. I acknowledge that by attending class in person, my child(ren) will be associating with staff and other children and may acquire COVID-19 notwithstanding any precautions taken by the parish. I acknowledge that the parish cannot absolutely control the conduct of its students, guarantee that they or their parents will follow recommended safety protocols and procedures, or prevent infected students from attending and potentially spreading COVID-19 to my child(ren), directly or indirectly.

I further acknowledge that my child(ren)'s physical attendance at [Parish] is voluntary and that I have the option to pursue other educational programs through other providers. By permitting my child(ren) to attend [Parish] during the COVID-19 pandemic, I voluntarily assume the risk that my child(ren) may acquire COVID-19, and that COVID-19 may subsequently be transmitted from my child(ren) to me and members of my household. I understand that symptoms of COVID-19 include, but are not limited to, fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea.

I certify that my child(ren) currently has/have none of these symptoms, and I will prevent my child(ren) from physically attending parish religious education if they develop any of these symptoms or any other symptoms identified by the CDC as being associated with COVID-19. My child(ren) and I will also follow all COVID-19 protocols and procedures adopted by the parish.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, I hereby agree to waive, release, and discharge any and all claims, causes of action, damages, and rights of any kind against the parish, the school, the diocese, its insurers, and all of their respective employees, agents, representatives, and volunteers (the "Released Parties") arising from or relating in any way to any damage, injury, trauma, illness, loss, disability, dismemberment, or death that may occur to my child(ren), me, or my household members as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. I further agree not to sue the Released Parties, and to defend and indemnify the Released Parties for all claims, damages, losses, or expenses, including attorneys' fees, if a suit is filed concerning an injury, illness, or death to me, my child(ren), or my household members as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Student(s) Name(s) _____
(Printed)

Parent/Guardian Name
(Printed) _____

Parent/Guardian
Signature _____ Date _____