

VSA PERMISSION AND RELEASE

Student Name: _____

The above-named student has requested the opportunity to *voluntarily* participate in the Vanderbilt Summer Academy (hereinafter VSA). I expressly and voluntarily assume all risks of this activity on behalf of my child. I recognize that this activity may expose my child to some level of risk of injury. Notwithstanding these risks, I assume them by allowing my child to voluntarily participate in VSA.

Further, I hereby:

- agree that students will be participating in a residential program on the campus of Vanderbilt University. As a participant, the student will be supervised by Vanderbilt staff and reside at Stambaugh House on the Vanderbilt Commons. Students will also have access to on-campus recreational facilities and activities;
- understand that the activities for the sessions vary but may include the following: classroom instruction, organized recreational and athletic games including Arête classes, cookouts, unsupervised walks off campus within stated town boundaries (with staff permission for session III participants only), ice-skating, swimming. These activities are assumed upon enrollment and participation in VSA is at the risk and request of the student;
- agree that students are charged with knowing and abiding by VSA policies as described in VSA publications or as articulated by VSA staff. Students who fail to follow VSA policies may be asked to leave the program. If a student is asked to leave, his or her parent or legal guardian will be contacted. The parent or legal guardian must make immediate arrangements to remove the student from campus at the parent or legal guardian's expense. Students who are asked to leave will not receive a refund of tuition or other fees;
- understand that during VSA, students may participate in off-campus field trips. Students who are transported off-campus for activities will travel in vehicles driven by VSA staff, other Vanderbilt staff, or hired designees. Students who are off-campus will conduct themselves at all times in accordance with VSA policies;
- agree that Vanderbilt is not liable for lost, stolen or damaged personal articles. Vanderbilt is also not liable for any consequences of the student's actions including injury to persons and property, arising during on or off-campus periods, and I accept responsibility for reimbursement either to the injured party or to Vanderbilt for any damages sustained by them due to my child's actions;
- agree that, to the best of my knowledge, the information furnished by or on behalf of the student in connection with the student's participation in VSA is correct and complete;
- give permission for the student to view movies that are rated PG-13 while participating in VSA. I recognize that a VSA staff member will approve of these movies before they are shown in the residence hall, auditorium, or other setting;
- agree that VSA has the right to alter arrangements concerning the location and/or content

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- agree that if the student should suffer an injury or illness while participating in VSA or any other activity associated with this travel, I authorize the employees of the Vanderbilt University to use their discretion to have my child treated at or transported to the nearest medical facility and I take full responsibility for that action;
- agree to be responsible for any losses (including reasonable attorneys fees and court costs) resulting from the student's damage, vandalism, littering, or theft of Vanderbilt University property, property of a University community member or campus visitor, or any other property used during VSA. Furthermore, I agree to indemnify Vanderbilt for any loss or damage to the premises, facilities, or equipment during VSA.
- agree, in consideration of Vanderbilt allowing my child to participate in VSA, to hold harmless and indemnify Vanderbilt and its trustees, agents, officers, servants, and employees against loss from any and all claims of ordinary negligence, demands, rights, or causes of action of any kind or nature that may hereafter at any time be made or brought by my child, by me or anyone on my behalf, or by any other person having a legal interest therein arising from or by reason of any and all known or unknown, foreseen and unforeseen bodily or personal injuries, damages to property and consequences thereof which may be sustained by my child, in consequence of any accident or injuries on the premises of Vanderbilt or in connection with the activity, except such liability or claim of liability as may result from gross or intentional negligence on the part of Vanderbilt. Said indemnification shall include, but not be limited to, court costs an attorneys' fees.

We (the undersigned student and parent/legal guardian) understand and agree to the preceding terms regarding the student's participation in VSA. I certify that the student is capable of participating in VSA and I grant permission for the student to participate in all planned activities.

READ BEFORE SIGNING:

By signing below, I acknowledge that I am 18 years of age or older and understand that I am entitled to have an attorney of my own choosing to review the Release prior to signing. I have read the foregoing Release in its entirety and understand that I am signing a complete and perpetual release and bar to any and all claims of ordinary negligence as defined above resulting from the participation in this activity by me or my child. If the participant is not 18 years of age or older, this release must be signed by a parent or legal guardian.

Student's Signature _____ **Date:** _____

Printed Name _____

Parent or Guardian's Signature _____ **Date:** _____

Printed Name _____