

**APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY
VOLUNTEER PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT**

I, _____, intend to participate as a volunteer for Appalachian State University on _____, at the _____ (the "Event"). I understand that I am responsible for my own travel to and from any location where I will serve as a volunteer. Further, I understand that Appalachian State University and any University employees cannot ensure that participation in the Event will be free from risk, and I understand the nature of the program and the potential risks involved, including risks of personal injury and death, and property damage or loss. My participation in the Event is completely voluntary, and I assume sole and full responsibility for my safety during the Event. In consideration of being permitted to engage in this volunteer opportunity, I agree as follows:

1. I will comply with all instructions and directions of Appalachian State University officials and staff and any other event organizers or staffers, before, during, or after my participation in the event.
2. I understand that by participating in this event, I am acting as a representative of Appalachian State University and as such that I must behave in a professional manner at all times. If I am an enrolled student, I also understand and agree that at all times before, during and after the Event, I must abide by the Appalachian State University Code of Student Conduct. If I fail to abide by these rules, I understand that I will not be permitted to participate in the Event and I may be subject to discipline up to and including expulsion from Appalachian State University. The Code of Student Conduct can be viewed at <http://studentconduct.appstate.edu>.
3. I understand the possible risks and dangers to me, my property, and the property of others associated with my participation in the Event, and I undertake those risks voluntarily in reliance upon my own judgment and ability. I assume all risk of personal injury, death, and property damage or loss from any cause whatsoever, including, but not limited to, my own conduct, the failure of anyone to enforce rules and regulations or inspect equipment or facilities, and the negligence of anyone else; and
4. I release and shall indemnify, defend and save harmless Appalachian State University, The University of North Carolina, the State of North Carolina and their respective trustees, officers, agents, and employees (hereinafter the "indemnified persons and entities") from all liabilities, losses, costs, damages, claims or causes of action of any kind or nature whatsoever, and expenses, including attorneys' fees, arising or claimed to have arisen out of personal injuries or death, or property damage or loss, sustained by me as a result of any cause whatsoever, including but not limited to my own conduct, negligence or other misconduct on the part of indemnified persons and entities, or those injuries or property damage sustained by others as a result of my own negligence or intentional acts, during my participation in the Event.

I certify that I am at least eighteen (18) years of age, medically and mentally sound, physically fit to engage in the event described above, and competent to enter into this agreement. Finally, I certify that no oral promise, agreement, warranty or representation concerning safety or liability has been made to me. If the participant is under eighteen (18) years of age, this document must be signed on behalf of the participant by his or her parent or guardian. I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT AND AGREE THAT IT WILL LEGALLY BIND ME AND MY ESTATE, AND I SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY.

Participant's Printed Name

Date

Participant's Signature

IF PARTICIPANT IS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE:

Parent's/Guardian's Printed Name

Date

Parent's/Guardian's Signature