



YSRW Parent Consent Form

I am the parent/legal guardian of, _____ who is under the age of 19 years and who wants to participate in the week-long Young Scientist Research Workshop (YSRW). In consideration of my child's participation in the program, I hereby release and discharge the University of Nebraska, its employees, agents, volunteers and assigns (the "Releasees") from any and all liability, claims, claims for relief, damages, actions, causes of action and actionable wrongs of any kind, even if arising from the negligence of the Releasees, arising at law or in equity as a result of any and all actions and/or omissions of the University of Nebraska, its employees, agents, volunteers for damages or injuries occurring to my child arising out of my child's participation in the program, whether such liability or claim arises from an injury occurring on the University of Nebraska premises or elsewhere.

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I acknowledge that the YSRW staff is neither trained nor obligated to administer medications, injections, or perform any medical procedures. I understand that, with parental consent, the University of Nebraska permits participants to self-administer prescribed medications and injections as directed by a physician.

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In the event of an emergency, I authorize any healthcare provider to administer immediate treatment, even if I cannot be reached at the time. I understand that I will be informed as soon as possible in such a situation. Additionally, I grant program staff the authority to assess and provide necessary emergency or urgent medical care.

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Media Release Authorization:

I give my permission for my child's name to be included in these materials:

Yes No

I hereby: Consent Do not consent

to the University of Nebraska, its employees, agents, and event partners to take photographs, create written materials, and produce video or audio recordings that may include my child, either in part or in full. I understand that these materials may be used for educational or public relations purposes. I waive any rights to the materials or to review or approve them before they are published. I also release the University of Nebraska Medical Center, its employees, agents, and event partners from any claims related to the use of these materials.

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I understand that transportation to and from the workshop is the student's responsibility. Students are expected to arrive on time at 9:15 AM and be picked up at 4:30 PM from the Durham Research center 2 (DRC2) lobby. If the student is driving their own vehicle, I acknowledge that it is my responsibility to inform the program director.

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For safety reasons, all students are required to comply with the designated dress code throughout the duration of the workshop. This includes mandatory closed-toed footwear and long pants. Furthermore, students are required to wear the shirts provided by the program. Failure to comply with these requirements may result in exclusion from the workshop for safety purposes.

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I acknowledge that the program director has the authority to refuse or dismiss a participant for valid reasons. The program upholds a zero-tolerance policy for behaviors including, but not limited to, fighting, theft, possession of weapons, smoking, drug or alcohol use, and any form of disruptive conduct. Should my child be involved in any of these activities, they will be suspended from the program, and local law enforcement may be notified. I understand that I

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will be required to pick up my child immediately, at my own expense, if such circumstances arise.

In case of an emergency, please notify:

Name: _____

Name: _____

Relationship to Child: _____

Relationship to Child: _____

Daytime Phone: (_____) - _____ - _____

Daytime Phone: (_____) - _____ - _____

Mobile Phone: (_____) - _____ - _____

Mobile Phone: (_____) - _____ - _____

I understand that my child's participation in this program is contingent on signing this permission form.

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Parent/Guardian Printed Name

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

This workshop is supported by the National Science Foundation CAREER Award (# 2338209). Please complete, sign, and upload the consent form.

Student Behavior Expectations

To foster a positive, respectful, and productive learning environment, all students participating in the Young Scientist Research Workshop are expected to adhere to the following behavior guidelines:

- **Professionalism and Respect:** Students must behave in a respectful and professional manner at all times, showing courtesy to instructors, fellow participants, and any guest speakers. Disruptive, disrespectful, or inappropriate behavior will not be tolerated.
- **Report on Time:** Report to the lobby of Durham Research Center 2 lobby on time by 9.15 am. Only the program director may grant permission to be excused.
- **Active Engagement:** Students are expected to actively participate in all research activities, including discussions, collaborative projects, and hands-on tasks. This involves asking thoughtful questions, contributing to group efforts, and staying focused on the objectives of the workshop.
- **Adherence to Guidelines:** All safety rules, research protocols, and instructions provided by instructors must be followed carefully. Failure to do so may result in removal from certain activities or the workshop for safety reasons.
- **Cell Phone Usage:** Students are required to refrain from using their cell phones during workshop sessions to maintain focus and minimize distractions for all participants. Those who fail to comply with this policy may be excused from the workshop.
- **Respect for Property and Materials:** Students must treat all research equipment, materials, and facilities with care. Misuse or damage of university property is unacceptable. Charges will be assessed against participants responsible for damage or missing University property.

By participating in the workshop, students agree to uphold these expectations, ensuring a productive, collaborative, and enjoyable research experience for all.

Student Clothing Expectations

To ensure safety and maintain a professional environment, students are expected to adhere to the following clothing guidelines during the research workshop:

- **Closed-Toed Shoes:** For safety reasons, students must wear closed-toed shoes at all times. Open-toed shoes, sandals, or flip-flops are not permitted.
- **Long Pants:** Students are required to wear long pants or trousers to protect themselves during lab or research activities. Shorts and skirts are not allowed in these settings.
- **Shirts:** Students are required to wear T-Shirts provided by the YSRW program for the workshop. Sleeveless tops, tank tops, or crop tops are not permitted in laboratory settings for safety reasons.
- **Jewelry and Accessories:** Students should avoid wearing loose jewelry or accessories that could pose a safety hazard during hands-on activities or lab work.

By adhering to these guidelines, students will ensure a safe and professional environment conducive to research activities.