

Assumption of Risk and Release

The Kansas 4-H Venturers is a high adventure program for youth 14 years of age and older and adults and is coordinated by the Department of 4-H Youth Development, K-State Research and Extension.

In consideration of being allowed to participate in the Kansas 4-H Venturers Program on _____ (date), I hereby release Kansas State University, the State of Kansas, and their agents, officers, employees, and registered volunteers from all claims, demands, and causes of action of any kind including claims for negligence, which may arise from my participation in the aforementioned program.

Kansas 4-H Venturer programs often occur in wild and remote settings. It is important that participants and parents understand the risks associated with these educational adventure activities. Some, but not all, of the activities include:

Travel and living in remote wilderness settings	Wilderness first aid and rescue, real and simulated
Chores: cooking, cleaning, hanging bear bags	Backpacking, camping, canoeing, rafting, rock climbing
Use of liquid fuel (white gas or propane) stoves	Transportation in 15 passenger vans

Some, but not all of the inherent or other risks that the participant may or will be exposed to include, but are not limited to:

Misjudgements by self, others or staff	Improper hygiene or water purification techniques
Unpredictable weather	Dangerous road conditions and transportation problems
Extreme cold & heat, sun, lightning, rain and snow	Failure of equipment, despite reasonable maintenance
Unmarked or obscured hazards	Falling down or slipping
Moving water in creeks, rivers, whitewater	Falling rocks, ice, snow and trees
Sustained hiking, lifting, or carrying heavy packs	High altitudes
Steep slopes, difficult terrain, downed trees	Encounters with wild animals and wildlife
Animal hazards: stings, bites, poisoning	Other risks associated with adventure activities

These and other activities, risks, hazards and dangers can result in, but not limited to:
Mental or physical bodily injury, illness or trauma, death or property damage or loss.

I fully realize the risks associated with participation in the aforementioned event, have reviewed and understand this release and fully understand and assume the risks associated with participation in the program.

_____	_____	_____
Date	Signature of Participant	Printed Name
_____	_____	_____
	Address	Phone

If participant is under age 18 years of age, a parent, custodial parent, legal guardian's signature is also required.

_____	_____	_____
Date	Signature of Parent/Custodial Parent/Guardian	Printed Name
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	Address	Phone