

## **Western Los Angeles County Council – Emerald Bay Outdoor Academy**

### **CHAPERONE RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY: (Please copy)**

Thank you for volunteering to be a chaperone for your group's trip to Emerald Bay on Catalina Island. We are confident that you will enjoy your time on Catalina. Your role is an important part in the success of the program. Being a chaperone brings a lot of fun and joy, however it is also a lot of responsibility and takes commitment.

Safety is a top priority, but even with training, emergency procedures, and safety measures, activities at camp still carry some risk. Therefore, we ask that every chaperone read the Release and Waiver of Liability, agree to the terms, sign and date the form. The completed form needs to be returned to the group leader at least four weeks prior to the trip.

### **YOU MUST SIGN THE RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY IN ORDER TO ACT AS A CHAPERONE, PARTICIPATE IN PROGRAM ACTIVITIES, OR BE IN CAMP.**

The following information describes the nature of our various activities, as well as your role as a chaperone. After reading this, if you have any questions or concerns about the skills, risks involved or physical demands, please call us so we can help you decide.

With your cooperation and understanding, we are sure you will have an unforgettable and fulfilling trip.

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#### **Your Role as Chaperone:**

- Be an active participant in the program, this includes participating in activities such as hiking, snorkeling, kayaking, stand up paddle boarding, or ecosystem restoration. Due to time constraints or limitations in equipment, chaperones may not always be able to fully participate in every activity.
- Supervise students during mealtimes. This includes sitting at tables with students, helping to control noise levels, leading set-up and clean-up activities. This will help ensure an enjoyable dining experience for all.
- Supervise students in cabins. This includes enforcing quiet hours and lights out, limiting horseplay, conduct bed checks, and ensure cleanliness.
- Supervise students during free time. Including time spent in the Ship Store.
- During class sessions, assist instructors with discipline and the safety of the students.
- Supervise sick or injured children. For minor injury or illness, you are responsible for escorting the student to the health lodge, where a staff member will help you find the medication or supplies you need. You are responsible for consulting the medical form before administering first aid.

#### **Adult Waiver for All Adult Attendees**

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#### **RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY**

**This Release and Waiver of Liability is made in consideration of Western Los Angeles County Council (WLACC) consent to my request to be present, participate in and use the equipment at Camp Emerald Bay and programs, (the "Program").**

I have been informed of the nature and activities of the Program in which I will participate which include camping, hiking, snorkeling, kayaking, Stand Up Paddle boarding, archery, outdoor classroom participation, and transportation to and from the Program. I understand there are numerous risks associated with my presence, participation and use of equipment, which may pose a threat of serious injury, illness or death. I understand these risks are a part of engaging in the type of outdoor sports and activities

