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INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

The Board of School Trustees of School District No. 22 (Vernon) (the “School District”) wishes to provide a challenging and exciting program to students studying in our School District. There are, however, certain expectations of students when we accept them into our program. These expectations include important obligations on the part of each student accepted to study at our schools, and we set a high standard in requiring all students to meet their obligations. Each student and the guardian or the parent of each student that is accepted into our program must read the following statement and must, by signing it, agree to be bound by and to honour its terms strictly.

1. Law, Rules and Regulations

- I agree that I will abide by all the laws of Canada, the rules, regulations and policies of the School District and the School Rules. In particular, I understand that the unlawful use of drugs will not be tolerated and that alcohol use is also forbidden in all circumstances. I acknowledge that the School District has a firm policy of dismissing students violating the drug and alcohol rules.

2. Homestay

- I appreciate that the opportunity to live in an adult homestay environment provides a valuable opportunity to learn about other families and cultures. I acknowledge that it is mandatory for me to live with a homestay family that consists of at least one adult of twenty-five (25) years of age or older.
- While living with a homestay family, I will obey family rules and show respect for other family members. I understand that I may change homestay families but only after first discussing the matter with the principal of the International Education Office and then only with the principal's permission. I acknowledge that if at any time I am not living in a homestay, the School District's policy may lead to my immediate dismissal from the program.

3. Attendance

- I understand and accept the obligation to attend all classes in the educational program provided to me. I agree that all absences must be explained by a note from the homestay adult and that unexplained absences may lead to my dismissal from the program.

4. Travel

- I agree that I will not travel outside of the Okanagan Valley unless accompanied and supervised by an adult on all such travel. I understand that such adult must be at least twenty five (25) years of age. I further agree that all travel outside the Okanagan Valley will be authorized the International Program Principal.

5. Refund Policy

- In the event that I do not come to Canada or decide not to attend or to leave the International Education Program for personal reasons, I agree that only a portion of the paid tuition fee will be refunded. In all cases, the application fee will be retained to cover administration expenses. The following refund policy will apply for each school year for which a student is registered:
 - a) Full refund (less application fee) if the visiting student authorization is not approved by the Canadian Immigration and supporting documentation of this rejection is supplied.
 - b) A sixty-six (66%) per cent refund of the full tuition fee if the student withdraws prior to commencement of program
 - c) A fifty (50%) per cent refund of the full tuition fee if the student withdraws within 30 days of commencing the program.
 - d) No refund will be granted, for whatever reason, if the student withdraws after 30 days of participation in the program.

- e) No refund will be paid to students removed from the program by the District due to violation of school or program rules or requirements. (i.e. chronic absenteeism, involvement with the illegal use of drugs or alcohol, flagrant misbehaviour) Students removed from the program by the District will be sent home at the student's expense by the first available transport.
- f) No refund will be paid if the student's immigration status changes after 30 days of participation in the program.

6. Medical Authority and Release

- We as parents/guardians of the undersigned student do hereby authorize the School District staff and the sponsoring homestay parents to consent to any x-ray examinations, anesthetic, medical or surgical diagnosis or treatment or hospital care which is deemed advisable by, and is rendered under the general supervision of any licensed physician or surgeon, whether such treatment or diagnosis is rendered at the office of said physician or surgeon or at a hospital.
- It is understood that this authorization is not given in advance of any specific diagnosis, treatment or hospital care being required, but is given to provide authority and power on the part of the School District to give specific consent to any and all such diagnoses, treatment or hospital care which the aforesaid mentioned physician or surgeon in the exercise of his/her best judgment may deem advisable.

7. General Release

- We, the undersigned, do waive and release all claims against the School District for the injury, loss, damage, accident, delay or expense resulting from the applicant's participation in the International Education Program. We also release the School District and agree to indemnify them, with respect to any financial obligations or liabilities that the applicant may personally incur, or any damage or injury to the person or property of others that the applicant may cause while participating in the International Education Program
- We understand that the School District is not responsible for any loss or injury suffered by the applicant during periods of travel. If the applicant becomes ill or incapacitated, the School District may take such actions as it considers necessary, including securing medical treatment and transporting the applicant home at his or her own expense. We release the School District from all liability related to such actions. We understand that the applicant's participation in the Program may be terminated at the discretion of the principal of the International Education Program without any refund of fees, and that the applicant may be sent home at his or her own expense if he or she does not adhere to the School District rules, standards and instructions as set forth in the school's agenda, handbook and the International Education Student Participation agreement. This agreement with the School District cannot be modified or interpreted except in writing by the International Education Office.

I have read the above and agree to fulfill all my obligations as set out. I also agree to both the medial release authorization and to the agreement and release clause.

Name of Student	Student's Signature	Date
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I/we the parents/guardians of the student signing above ("our child") have read all the above including both the medical release authorization (clause 6) and the agreement and release (clause 7) and I/we agree that we will use our best efforts to ensure that our child honours all the obligations set out and we agree to be bound by the release and authorizations.

Name of Parent/Guardian	Parent/Guardian Signature	Date
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