

# Wright State University Outdoor Resource Center Challenge Course and Climbing/Rappelling Tower

## Statement of Information and Release of Liability

The Wright State University Outdoor Resource and Adventure Center (ORAC) is committed to conducting the high adventure, recreation programs in a safe manner and holds the safety of participants in high regard. The ORAC continually strives to reduce such risks and insists that all participants follow safety rules and instructions that are designed to protect the participants' safety. However participants and parents/guardians of minors registering for programs must recognize that there is an inherent risk of injury when choosing to participate in outdoor adventure, recreational activities.

You are solely responsible for determining if you or your minor are physically fit/ or skilled for the activities contemplated by this agreement and that you have no known medical or physical condition which could interfere with the safety of other participants. It is always advisable, especially if the participant is pregnant, disabled in any way or recently suffered any illness, injury or impairment, to consult a physician before undertaking any physical activity. Wright State University carries no accident coverage on participants and the cost of medical attention and/or hospitalization will be the sole responsibility of the individual participant and/or their parent or guardian.

### **PLEASE READ THIS CAREFULLY. IT AFFECTS CERTAIN RIGHTS YOU MAY HAVE IF YOU ARE INJURED OR OTHERWISE SUFFER DAMAGE WHILE PARTICIPATING IN A CLIMBING/RAPPELLING OR CHALLENGE COURSE ACTIVITY.**

1. I understand and recognize the inherent risks and dangers of participating in climbing/rappelling and other challenge course activities, included but not limited to, the hazards of:
  - All manner of injury resulting from slipping and/or falling off: the tower walls or deck, ropes, cords, cables, platforms, or the ground;
  - All manner of injury resulting from impacting the: tower walls, ropes, cords, cables, platforms, or the ground;
  - Injuries resulting from lifting a participant or personally being lifted up onto an element or over an element, lowering element, or surrounding surface (whether it be by hand, on rope, belaying, rope handling, handling a sling or lobster claw, or otherwise being lifted, lowered, or dropped while participating in a climbing/rappelling or challenge course activity);
  - Failure of equipment, including but not limited to; ropes, slings, harnesses, lobster claws, helmets, carabiners, climbing hardware, anchor points, or any part of the climbing/rappelling tower structure or challenge course element;
  - All manner of injuries resulting from temperature or inclement weather conditions;
  - All manner of injury resulting from fatigue, physical condition, or medical status of myself and/or other participants;
  - All other types of personal injury, including death.
2. I understand that the climbing/rappelling and challenge course activities offered by the Wright State University are facilitated by students, faculty, and staff who may not be professional facilitators;
3. I understand that I must be healthy and reasonably fit in order to safely participate in climbing/rappelling and challenge course activities, and I will inform climbing/rappelling and challenge course facilitators of any medication, ailment, condition, or injury that may affect my performance;

**(Please read and complete the reverse side of this document)**

4. In return for Wright State University allowing me to participate in climbing/rappelling and challenge course activities, and other valuable consideration, I agree and state, on behalf of myself, my heirs, assigns, executors, and other, as follows: (please initial after reading)

\_\_\_ I agree to accept personal responsibility for all of these risks arising from or as a result of my

participation in any climbing/rappelling and challenge course activities

\_\_\_ I hereby acknowledge that I understand the risks set forth above and knowingly agree to accept full responsibility for my own exposure to such risks arising from or as a result of my participation in any climbing/rappelling or challenge course activities.

\_\_\_ I hereby release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless Wright State University and its employees, agents, representatives, coaches, instructors, facilitators, and volunteers for any and all liability for injuries, loss or death resulting from my participation in climbing/rappelling and any challenge course activities.

BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT I STATE THAT I HAVE READ, UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO ALL THE CONDITIONS SET FORTH HEREIN, AND THAT I SIGN VOLUNTARILY.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Print full name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Minor Participants (under 18 years of age) \*\***

**Parental of Guardian's Release of All Claims and Covenant Not to Sue**

The undersigned being the parent(s), legal guardian, or person having the care and custody of

\_\_\_\_\_, do hereby consent that she/he may participate in the Wright State University climbing/rappelling tower and challenge course activities, and in consideration of his/her being to the statements, conditions, acknowledgements, agreements, and undertakings set forth in the foregoing document.

I also understand that by signing this document I am consenting to any duly authorized doctor, emergency medical technician, hospital or other medical facility to treat the above stated child for the purpose of attempting to treat or relieve any injuries she/he may have incurred as a participant with the Wright State University climbing/rappelling tower and/or challenge course activities.

Parent/Guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_