



# Spruce Lake Outdoor School

An educational ministry of Spruce Lake Retreat

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## Parental Permission and Release Form

As parent/legal guardian of (*student*) \_\_\_\_\_, I hereby give permission to my son or daughter to engage in all Spruce Lake Outdoor School activities except as noted below by me. I understand that historically, serious injury at Spruce Lake Outdoor School has been extremely rare, and that the Outdoor School staff will continue to make every effort to ensure the safety and well-being of my child. However, my permission is granted with the understanding that there are inherent risks of injury associated with Outdoor School classes and activities in general which, however slight the chances of occurrence, cannot be completely eliminated. These risks include but are not limited to: falls from a height, exposure to severe storms or to weather-related heat or cold, contact with potentially harmful plants or animals, injury from falling objects and injury from collision with other people or objects during games and activities. There is also similar inherent risk of injury during participation in 'adventure' activities such as rappelling, belayed climbing, challenge course, zip line, and power swing. Furthermore, I recognize that, because Spruce Lake Outdoor School is in a rural location, access to local advanced emergency medical care is limited and emergency response and travel time may seem unduly long relative to urban standards. I also understand that the Spruce Lake Outdoor School staff is limited to providing only emergency first-aid level medical care for my child. I hereby acknowledge and accept the risk of injury to my above-mentioned child while they are engaged in Outdoor School activities.

I also give permission for my child to be transported in Spruce Lake Outdoor School vehicles for transportation as needed. Furthermore, I authorize Spruce Lake Outdoor School to use photographs that may include my son or daughter in Outdoor School publicity.

I therefore release and covenant with Spruce Lake Outdoor School that I will never, individually or as legal guardian of said student, institute any action at law or in equity for any personal injuries, or injuries to property, real or personal, caused by or arising out of activities sponsored by Spruce Lake Outdoor School and its legal representatives.

***(Please indicate below any limitations, conditions, or instructions you wish our Outdoor School Staff to be aware of concerning your son or daughter.)***

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Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Print Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Child \_\_\_\_\_

School Group Name \_\_\_\_\_