

COVID-19 WAIVER AND LIABILITY RELEASE FORM

On March 11, 2020, The World Health Organization declared the novel coronavirus, COVID-19, a pandemic. COVID-19 is highly contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. As a result, federal, state, and local governments and federal and state health agencies recommend social distancing and have, in many locations, prohibited the congregation of groups of people over the past several weeks. Ahoskie Free Will Baptist Church & Christian School has put precautions in place to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, Ahoskie Christian School **cannot guarantee** that you or your family, including your child(ren), will not become exposed to or infected with COVID-19. Further, because of the number of individuals involved in Ahoskie Christian School and the fact that many infected individuals appear to be asymptomatic, **attending Ahoskie Christian School could increase** your and your child(ren)'s risk of contracting COVID-19.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Ahoskie Christian School has been exploring different and reasonable ways to provide services to all students. Ahoskie Christian School has worked with state and local agencies, including our local health department, to draft and implement guidelines moving forward regarding cleaning, screening, social distancing, etc. Though Ahoskie Christian School, its administration, and faculty & staff will work hard to implement and abide by those guidelines, neither the guidelines themselves nor even guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") would allow Ahoskie Christian School to guarantee an environment that is entirely free of COVID-19 related risks.

By allowing your child to return to campus you acknowledge and understand that your child's attendance will require him/her to interact physically with Ahoskie Christian School staff members, other students, and even volunteers. As such, despite reasonable mitigation efforts on behalf of Ahoskie Christian School, physical interaction with the public at large may pose some unavoidable risks to you, your child, and your family due to the COVID-19 pandemic. With that, you further acknowledge and agree to the following:

1. **Waiver and Release.** By signing this waiver, you acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that your child(ren) and yourself may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19. You also acknowledge that by attending Ahoskie Christian School, such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, disability, and/or death. You understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at Ahoskie Christian School may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of yourself and others, including, but not limited to, Ahoskie Christian School employees, contractors, volunteers, members, and participants and their families.
2. **Assumption of Risk.** You voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury to your child(ren) or yourself (including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, and death), illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense of any kind that you or your child(ren) may experience or incur in connection with you child(ren)'s attendance at Ahoskie Christian School or participation in any activity or event at Ahoskie Christian School. On your behalf, and on behalf of your children, you hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless Ahoskie

Free Will Baptist Church and Ahoskie Christian School, its employees, agents, representatives, students, parents, administration, faculty, staff, and volunteers of and from the Claims, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto. You understand and agree that this release includes any Claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of Ahoskie Christian School, its employees, agents, representatives, students, parents, administration, faculty, staff, and volunteers, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in any program.

BY EXECUTING BELOW, YOU ACKNOWLEDGE HAVING READ AND UNDERSTOOD ALL OF THE ABOVE-TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

Your Child's Printed Full Name*

Your Printed Full Name

Your Signature

_____/_____/2020
Date of Signing

*Please complete and sign a COVID-19 Waiver and Liability Release Form for **every** child you have that attends Ahoskie Christian School.

Signed waivers can be returned by any of the following means:

- Parents/guardians may return the waiver to the office during regular scheduled office hours.
- Waivers may be faxed to the school office. Our fax number is (252) 332-2492
- Waivers may be scanned and emailed to ahoskiefwb@gmail.com
- Waivers may be mailed to school. Our mailing address is:
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500 Kiwanis St.
Ahoskie, NC 27910
c/o Hannah Butler