**Assumption of Risk and Waiver of Liability Relating to Coronavirus/COVID-19**

The novel coronavirus/COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization (WHO). COVID-19 is believed to be highly contagious and spread 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, limiting the gathering of groups of people.

On behalf of myself, my household members, and my minor child(ren), I give permission for my child(ren) to participate in the East Valley Athletes for Christ (EVAC) athletics program. I am familiar with, and knowingly and voluntarily accept, any and all risks associated with the athletics program and related sports activities.

I acknowledge that my child’s(ren’s) participation in EVAC is wholly voluntary and I understand that my child(ren) will be associating with coaches, adults and other children and may acquire or be exposed to Coronavirus/COVID-19, and/or other communicable viruses and diseases, through participation in related sports activities. Potential symptoms of the COVID-19 virus may include but are not limited to the following: fever cough, shortness of breath difficulty breathing, and/or other flu-like symptoms. COVID-19 may be deadly, particularly in certain patient populations including the immune compromised and the elderly. COVID-19 may also lead to a rare, but serious inflammatory condition called multisystem inflammatory syndrome in children ("MIS-C") or pediatric multisystem inflammatory syndrome (“PIMS”).

To minimize the risk of exposure, EVAC has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, we cannot guarantee that you or your child(ren) will not be exposed to or become infected with COVID-19. While reasonable supervision will be provided, we cannot guarantee an entirely risk-free environment.

I understand that these precautions may not be entirely adequate to prevent the spread of COVID-19 given, among other things, the relatively long incubation period of the virus, and the fact that infected persons may be asymptomatic, and that it is not possible to maintain social distancing guidelines between children or between children and staff participating in the athletics program. Participation in the athletics program may therefore present risk to my child(ren) and others.

I voluntarily agree to assume all risks and hazards associated with my child’s(ren’s) participation in EVAC activities (including but not limited to, COVID-19, PIMS, MIS-C, personal illness/injury, disability, and death) and accept sole responsibility for any illness/injury to my child(ren) or me, my family, members of my household and/or other members of the community whether known or unknown to me.

I certify that my child(ren) currently has no condition(s) which make it unsafe for them to participate in athletic related sport activities. If my child(ren) develops symptoms of acute lower respiratory illness associated with COVID-19 (fever, cough or shortness of breath) or has close contact with a person diagnosed (laboratory confirmed) with COVID-19, I will notify the coach and athletic director and will keep my child(ren) home from any and all EVAC activities.

Close contact is defined as:

A. Being within approximately 6 feet of a COVID-19 case for a prolonged period of time; close contact can occur while caring for, living with, visiting, or sharing a healthcare waiting area or room with a COVID-19 case or

B. Having direct contact with infectious secretions of a COVID-19 case (e.g., being coughed on).

If my child(ren) develops acute lower respiratory illness associated with COVID-19 or any other symptoms like fever, chills, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell or tests positive for COVID-19, I will not return my child(ren) to EVAC activities until:

A. I have a written release from a medical professional, or

B. My child(ren) is(are) without temperature for 72 hours without the use of fever-reducing drugs.

On my behalf, and on behalf of my children, I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless East Valley Athletes for Christ and its board of directors, coaches, volunteers, and any representatives from the damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense or any kind, that I or my child(ren) may experience or incur in connection with my child’s(ren’s) participation in EVAC activities or events.

I understand and agree that this release includes any claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence which may occur before, during, or after participation in any EVAC activity or event.

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