## LEHIGH UNIVERSITY INDEMNITY RELEASE AND WAIVER FOR ACTIVITIES INVOLVING MINOR PARTICIPANTS (TO BE COMPLETED/SIGNED BY PARENT/GUARDIAN OF MINOR PARTICIPANTS)

I am permitting my minor child to participate in the <u>LVSF offered by the</u> Provost Office Department at Lehigh University (<u>the "University"</u>). As lawful consideration for Lehigh permitting my child to participate in the Activities, and intending to be legally bound, I agree to the terms and conditions set forth in this agreement.

I hereby acknowledge that participation in the Activity may involve learning in scientific laboratories, overnight stays, physical and recreational activities, and field trips, and that these activities may involve foreseeable and unforeseeable risks including, but not limited to, risks associated with:

Scientific and/or laboratory activities, such as: use of and exposure to scientific facilities, equipment, instruments, tools, biological materials and chemicals.

*Physical exertion, such as: lifting, spotting, holding, catching other individuals; lifting equipment; running, quick movements; climbing; balancing; and stretching exercises.* 

Environmental hazards, such as: uneven, rough terrain; hot, exposed climate; unpredictable weather; unpredictable contact with plants, insects and other naturally occurring phenomena.

Field trips to locations over which Lehigh does not exercise control, which also include risks inherent in ground transportation; and overnight stays when direct supervision is limited during normal bedtime hours.

I realize that it is not possible to list specifically each and every risk. However, knowing the material risks and appreciating, knowing and reasonably anticipating that property damage, injuries, illness, paralysis and even death are possible, on behalf of my minor child, I hereby expressly assume all such risks that could occur by reason of his/her participation in any activities and the use of facilities and equipment related to the Activity.

I hereby agree to **forever release** the University, its trustees, officers, agents, and employees, from any cause of action, claims, or demands of any kind and nature whatsoever including, but not limited to, claims for negligence or any other form of action for which a release may be legally given (including attorneys' fees and costs) which may arise by or in connection with my minor child's participation in any activities related to the Activity.

I further **covenant not to sue** and agree to **hold harmless and indemnify** the University, its trustees, officers, agents and employees from any and all liability, causes of action, claims, demands, losses or costs of any kind and nature whatsoever (including attorneys' fees) arising out of or in any relating to my minor child's participation in any activities or his/her use of the facilities or equipment related to the Activity.

I hereby certify that I am voluntarily signing this release, and intend to be legally bound by the terms of this document. I have carefully read all of its provisions, and fully understand its significance.

Print Name of Minor Child:	
Signature of Parent/Guardian:	Date:
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