

**Maine Community College System
Assumption of Risk, Release and Liability Waiver
Form for Enrollment of Minor Students**

_____ (“the minor student”) and _____ (“the parent” or “the legal guardian”) want the minor student to take classes at _____ Community College (“College”). The parent represents that the minor student is not yet 18 years of age; that the parent is the parent or legal guardian of the minor student; and that the parent is legally competent to sign this form on behalf of the minor student. The parent and minor student (collectively “we”) agree to the following representations, understandings and agreements.

We understand that the law and culture of higher education generally presume that college students are mature adults capable of independently evaluating their environment and independently attending to their needs. We understand that the minor student will voluntarily enter into an adult environment; that the College will treat the minor student as an adult within that environment; and that the minor student accepts fully the rights and responsibilities of an adult within that environment. We understand that expectations that we may have for support and service(s) that may arise from the minor student’s experience in secondary education will often not be appropriate or available in the collegiate setting. In particular, we understand that the minor student will be taking college level courses and that the academic environment will encourage free discussion and open inquiry of sometimes controversial subjects.

We represent that the minor student has the emotional and intellectual maturity necessary to participate beneficially in the collegiate environment. We have access to, and agree to follow, all College policies and procedures and, if the minor student indicates that he or she cannot adapt to that environment, we agree to withdraw, and/or permit the College to remove, the minor student from the College.

We understand that the College will have specific rules that will apply to the minor student’s ability to enroll and attend. These rules may include, but are not limited to, certain enrollment prerequisites, registration requirements, placement tests, matriculation status, and access to “remedial” or “developmental” courses. Examples of such rules are as follows:

- 1. SAT scores of 480 or higher or Accuplacer assessment scores (as mentioned on page 27 of the catalog) in related area;
- 2. Successful completion of a specific high school level course; and/or
- 3. Successful completion of a specific college level course.

For a complete understanding of like applicable rules, we agree to consult with the College and we agree to accept their application to the minor student.

On behalf of ourselves, our family, heirs and personal representative(s), we understand and agree that the College will treat the minor student as an adult; that we have had a reasonable opportunity to consider the risks of a minor student participating in the adult and independent learning environment of the College; and that we assume all such risks regarding the minor student’s participation at the College. On like behalf, we further release, hold harmless, indemnify and covenant not to sue the Maine Community College System, College and their governing boards, trustees, employees and any agents from and against any and all liability for harm, injury, damage, claims, demands, actions, causes of action and expenses of any kind that we may have or that may hereafter accrue to us, directly or indirectly, related to any loss, damage or injury that we may sustain from the minor student’s participation at the College.

We have both read the above form; we both understand its terms and conditions, and we both intend to be bound by it from the date of signature below until the student reaches his or her 18th birthday and is no longer a minor.

Parent’s Signature

Student’s Signature

Parent’s Printed Name

Student’s Name (Please print)

Date _____

Date _____