

Quaker Valley High School Musical Participation Waiver for Communicable Diseases Including COVID-19

The COVID-19 pandemic has presented performing arts organizations around the world with a myriad of challenges concerning this highly contagious illness that appears to primarily attack the upper respiratory system. Some severe outcomes have been reported in children, and a child with a mild or even asymptomatic case of COVID-19 can spread the infection to others who may be far more vulnerable.

While it is not possible to eliminate all risk of furthering the spread of and exposure to COVID-19 or other communicable disease, the Quaker Valley School District ("QVSD") has put in place certain precautions to try to decrease such risks to students, teachers, coaches and their families. Details of those precautions can be located on the QVSD webpage (www.qvsd.org), and approved precautions specific to the Quaker Valley High School ("QVHS") Musical can be found on the QVHS Musical webpage (www.qvmusical.weebly.com). As knowledge regarding COVID-19 is constantly changing, QVSD reserves the right to adjust and implement additional or different precautionary measures to try to decrease the risks of COVID-19 exposure for our staff, students and spectators. However, even with precautionary measures, QVSD cannot guarantee that you, your child(ren), or any other person attending or participating in a program, event or activity in which the QVHS Musical takes part, will not become exposed to or infected with COVID-19 or other communicable disease. Attending or participating in programs, activities or events in which the QVHS Musical takes part may increase the risk of being exposed to or contracting COVID-19 or other communicable disease.

The undersigned acknowledge that attending or participating in programs, events and activities related to the QVHS Musical may include a possible exposure to a communicable disease including but not limited to MRSA, influenza, and COVID-19. The undersigned further acknowledge that they are aware of the risks associated with COVID-19 and that certain vulnerable individuals may have greater health risks associated with exposure to COVID-19, including individuals with serious underlying health conditions such as, but not limited to: high blood pressure, chronic lung disease, diabetes, asthma, and those whose immune systems that are compromised by chemotherapy for cancer, and other conditions requiring such therapy. While particular recommendations and personal discipline may reduce the risks associated with participating in the QVHS Musical during the COVID-19 pandemic, the risk of serious illness, medical complications and possible death does exist.

We knowingly and freely assume all such risks, both known and unknown, even if arising from the actions, inactions, and negligence of others, including but not limited to QVSD, and assume full responsibility for Student's participation in the QVHS Musical during the COVID-19 pandemic. We willingly agree to comply with any and all recommendations put forth by QVSD and by federal, state and local authorities to limit the exposure and spread of COVID-19 and other communicable diseases. We certify that Student is in good physical condition or believe Student to be in good physical condition and allow participation in this activity at our own risk.

By signing this form, the undersigned voluntarily agree to the following Waiver and release of liability. The undersigned agree to accept sole responsibility for any injury, disability, illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or cost and expense, of any kind, that the undersigned, the Student, or any of the undersigned's family member(s) may experience or incur in connection with the Student's attendance or participation in QVSD programs, events or activities, and hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge and hold harmless, for ourselves, our heirs, and as a parent or legal guardian for the Student named below, the QVSD, its Board of Directors, officers, agents, employees, and volunteers from and against any and all of liabilities or demands for personal injury, disability, psychological injury, sickness, damage, loss, death, or claims resulting from personal injury or property damage, or any nature whatsoever which may be incurred by the Student or the undersigned or a member of the undersigned's family relating to or as a result of their of the Student's participation in or attendance at programs, events and activities involving the QVHS Musical during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date: _____

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Signature of Student _____ Date: _____