

# Point Park University Visitor/Guest Waiver

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, is a highly infectious disease declared by the World Health Organization to be a global pandemic. There is no current vaccine for COVID-19. COVID-19's highly contagious nature means that contact with others, or contact with surfaces that have been exposed to the virus, can lead to infection. Additionally, individuals who may have been infected with COVID-19 may be asymptomatic for a period of time, or may never become symptomatic at all. Because of its highly contagious and sometimes "hidden" nature, it is currently very difficult to control the spread of COVID-19 or to determine whether, where, or how a specific individual may have been exposed to the disease.<sup>1</sup>

Presently, the CDC recommends the following to avoid contracting COVID-19: avoiding close contact with others; wearing a cloth face covering that covers your nose and mouth in public settings; clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces; wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol; practice social distancing.

Aware of the foregoing, I am voluntarily entering Point Park University (the "University") campus.

By signing this agreement, I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19, the fact that it can be difficult to identify in another, and the inherent risks of exposure at the University to those who may be infected with COVID-19. I voluntarily assume the risk that I may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by entering the campus of University and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and/or even death.

I understand that the University has put in place new safety rules and precautions in order to attempt to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, which rules and precautions may be updated at any time. I agree to comply with such rules and precautions which may include, but are not limited to, wearing personal protective equipment ("PPE"), hand washing, hand sanitizing, and social distancing.

I voluntarily assume full responsibility for any and all risks of illness or injury associated with my exposure to COVID-19, as well as from use of any PPE, including face masks, that the University may voluntarily provide to me. I completely release and absolve the University, its trustees, officers, employees, agents, and contractors (the "University Parties") from any and all legal or financial responsibility arising out of or related to exposure to COVID-19. Also, I agree, on behalf of myself, my personal representatives and heirs, not to make any type of legal or equitable claim on the University Parties with respect to any exposure I may have to COVID-19, whether or not it arises through the negligence, omission, default or other action of anyone affiliated with the University, including students.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent (Guardian) Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

- If student is under the age of 18 parent or guardian signature is required

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<sup>1</sup> Point Park University is guided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") and all public health related information contained in this waiver is based on CDC guidance available at the time of distribution of this waiver.