

Camp Perkins Lutheran Outdoor Ministries

**Rafting Adventure Activity**

*To be signed if your child is participating in Raft & Youth Camp.*

*Please sign and return to Camp Perkins 2 weeks prior to participation in camp program.*

**WHITECLOUD RAFTING ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK**

**ALL GUESTS MUST READ AND SIGN**

I am about to participate in a whitewater rafting trip with Whitecloud Rafting Adventures. I fully understand there are inherent risks in whitewater and other outdoor trips and transportation to and from the river. These risks are impossible to eliminate even with reasonably careful and prudent planning and conduct by Whitecloud Rafting Adventures. These risks include vehicle accident, loss or damage to personal property, immersion in water, drowning, sudden cold water immersion syndrome, hypothermia, collision with another boat, rock, log, tree or other obstacle, all of which may result in serious injury or death. I understand injury or death may result from my falling while aboard a boat or on shore, from the capsizing of a boat, from being thrown out of a boat and from being subjected to salmonella, bacteria and other risks not listed here.

I understand life jackets must be worn at all times when I am on the water and that I will immediately advise Whitecloud Rafting Adventures personnel if I have any reason to believe that my life jacket seems to me to be improperly fitted or sized. I understand wetsuits are available from Whitecloud Rafting Adventures for me at no charge. Depending upon the season, water temperature on whitewater trips can be as low as just above freezing. I acknowledge that a decision whether to wear a wetsuit is entirely mine and further acknowledge that, if I ask Whitecloud Rafting Adventures personnel whether a wetsuit would be advisable, I will be told that I should wear a wetsuit.

I acknowledge that I have been told that I may quit my participation in the whitewater float trip at any time by notifying Whitecloud Rafting Adventures personnel. I understand that, if I do decide to quit a trip already in progress, I may have to wait a reasonable amount of time for arrangements to be made to transfer me from the river back to Whitecloud Rafting Adventures. I understand there are various rapids (or areas of significant whitewater) on the trip. The Middle Fork of the Salmon River is a classified river, and the Upper Main Salmon is an unclassified river. I acknowledge, regardless of whether I am participating in a trip on the Middle Fork or the Upper Main, I will encounter rapids that are classified or would be classified in the three to five range on a scale of one to five, with five being the highest and most challenging. I have had explained to me the particular rapids I will encounter on the particular trip in which I am participating.

I understand that Whitecloud Rafting Adventures does not employ medical doctors, that I have advised Whitecloud Rafting Adventures of any known medical conditions I have and that I am aware that I should consult with a health care provider of my choosing if I have any question whatsoever whether any medical condition I have may increase any risks to me on a whitewater trip. I further acknowledge that, in the event I am injured on a whitewater trip, I may have to wait a considerable time before receiving medical attention because of the geographic remoteness of the areas where the trips are conducted.

I understand the boat in which I will be a passenger may not be self-bailing and may require manual bailing in the event water gets into the boat. Manual bailing may require longer to clear the boat of water and thereby affect boat maneuverability. I understand that, due to the nature of whitewater rafting, the distance between the boat I am in and other boats which may be on the water will vary greatly and that this may affect the ability of another boat to come to my rescue in the event I am in peril.

By signing this form, I take full responsibility for my own welfare and that of any minor children accompanying me or in my custody or care at the time of the trip. I hereby waive any future claims against and specifically release Whitecloud Rafting Adventures, its outfitter, officers, guides, agents, employees, representatives and owners from any and all liability as to any right of action or claim for relief that may inure to me or any minors with me or to my heirs or personal representatives on account of any personal injury, loss of life, loss of consortium or loss of or damage to property which I may incur while participating in the trip, transportation to and from the river, or any other activities I may engage in association with Whitecloud Rafting Adventures. These terms shall serve as a release and express assumption of risk for myself, my heirs and estate and for all members of my family, including any minors accompanying me, whether they be related to me or not. I agree to indemnify and hold Whitecloud Rafting Adventures its outfitter, officers, guides, agents, employees, representatives and owners harmless from any such claims that may be made for me or on my behalf or that may be made for or on behalf of any minor in my custody or care while on the trip, whether said minor be related to me or not.

I understand my use of any alcoholic beverage or of any prescription or non-prescription medication or drug may increase risks associated with whitewater rafting.

I understand that other trip members, professional photographers, or agents of Whitecloud Rafting Adventures may photograph or video all or a portion of the trip, and I hereby grant permission for them to do so without recourse and without compensation to me.

I agree to exercise all necessary caution and obey safety and other instructions of Whitecloud Rafting Adventures personnel at all times.

**Camper's Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Program Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Parent/Guardian Signature**

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**Date**