

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, HOLD HARMLESS & INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT AND PHOTO RELEASE STATEMENT

Acknowledgement and Assumption of Risk, Hold Harmless & Indemnification Agreement

I give permission for _____ (name of participant) to participate in the Montgomery County Fire Rescue Services (MCFRS) Girls Wired for Fire Week experience 2025. I attest that I am either the child's parent or legal guardian with the legal authority to enter into this agreement.

I understand and I am aware that with participation in the MCFRS Girls Wired for Fire Week comes certain risk including but not limited to the risk of personal injury, theft or damage to personal property. Activities in the MCFRS Girls Wired for Fire Week include but are not limited to physical exertion, exposure to the outdoor elements (sun, wind, rain, heat and cold), and activities observing and extinguishing live fire under controlled conditions.

I also understand and accept that the activities of the MCFRS Girls Wired for Fire Week will be held during the summer months and often outdoors where the weather will be hot and humid. I understand and agree that this creates additional physical stress and have considered that aspect of risk as well as the other risks associated with the activities in the MCFRS Girls Wired for Fire Week. On behalf of my participant, I expressly agree and assume all the risks associated with participation in the Girls Wired for Fire Week.

Furthermore, MCFRS Girls Wired for Fire Week organizers have difficult jobs to perform. They seek safety, but they are not infallible. They will have only limited awareness of a participant's fitness or abilities. They may misjudge the weather or other environmental conditions. They may give incomplete warnings or instructions and the equipment being used might malfunction. I acknowledge these possibilities and accept the risks associated with them on behalf of my participant.

In consideration of my participant, participating in MCFRS Girls Wired for Fire Week activities and using the facilities of the MCFRS and other locations as designated by the MCFRS Girls Wired for Fire Week organizers and/or other activities and services provided by MCFRS employees, including food service, I, on behalf of myself, my executors, administrators, heirs, next of kin and successors, hereby release, indemnify, hold harmless and discharge MCFRS and Montgomery County, MD, and all its officers, departments, agencies, and employees from any and all claims, damages, injuries, fines, penalties and costs (including court costs and attorney fees), charges liabilities, or exposures, however caused, resulting from or arising out of or in any way connected to me or my participant's participation in the MCFRS Girls Wired for Fire Week program.

I have read and understand this agreement and by my signature agree to its terms. I hereby give my participant permission to go on any field trips during the course of the week. I understand I will be informed in advance of the MCFRS Girls Wired for Fire Week itinerary. MCFRS and the MCFRS Girls Wired for Fire Week organizers agree to notify the Parent/Guardian/Emergency Contact Person whenever the participant becomes ill or injured and the Parent/Guardian/Emergency Contact will arrange to have the child picked up as soon as possible. The Parent/Guardian authorizes the MCFRS Girls Wired for Fire Week organizers to provide/obtain immediate medical care if an emergency occurs when he/she cannot be immediately reached.

Parent/Guardian Print Name: _____
(Participants over the age of 18 can sign for themselves)

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

PHOTO/VIDEO RELEASE

I hereby give my permission without restriction to Montgomery County Fire Rescue Services (Montgomery County, MD) and their assignees to photograph and/or videotape me/my child during participation in the Girls Wired for Fire Week experience 2025. I specifically waive my rights to compensation with respect to my/my child's name, likeness, picture or voice. The purpose of this release is to facilitate future publicity for similar programs.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____