

Fort Hope, Inc. Safety Policies

PO Box 132, Arroyo Grande, CA 93421 info@forthope.org 805-473-1805

1. Notify the Fort Hope staff concerning:
 - A. Medical emergencies
 - B. Maintenance problems
 - C. Any emergency situation
2. All medications should be kept with the supervising teacher/leader. It is the responsibility of the adult leader to dispense medications.
3. NO PETS ALLOWED. Service animals are permitted with prior approval.
4. Leaders and volunteers are responsible for the actions and whereabouts of their students/children at all times.
5. Children are not allowed to wander alone. They need permission and a partner when using the restrooms.
6. No children are allowed in or around the pond area without a supervising adult. Swimming is not allowed in the pond.
7. Boats are for pond maintenance only. Life rings are for emergencies only.
8. No rough play. Please be courteous and considerate of others.
10. Do not approach wild animals. Report any animals to a staff/docent. Do not pick wild plants as there is poison oak on the property.
11. The Fort and God's Country are in a rural area with uneven ground; please pay attention where you walk.
12. Help us keep the Fort and God's Country clean by picking up after yourself.
13. We are located in a high fire zone. NO SMOKING anywhere on the property, NO EXCEPTIONS. No matches, candles, lighters, firecrackers, etc.
14. In case of fire, all groups will meet at the pond if at the Fort, and in the Barn if at God's Country.

15. Drivers: Please help us keep the dust down by driving 10 MPH on the dirt roads. All drivers must carry insurance on their vehicles. We are not responsible for any damage to vehicles.

16. There is no cell service or internet at the Fort. EMERGENCY PHONE 805-473-1805 is located in the house. Nearest hospital is Arroyo Grande Community Hospital at 345 S. Halcyon, Arroyo Grande, CA 93420 805-489-4261

We want your day at the Fort to be safe and enjoyable. These rules will help us achieve that goal! Thank you!

I have read and understand the Fort Hope/ God's Country safety policies. I have read them with my child and we agree to abide by and enforce them during our visit to Fort Hope/God's Country.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Fort Hope, Inc.
“Sowing the Seeds of Hope”

RELEASE OF PHOTOS/VIDEOS

Fort Hope, Inc. requests permission to use the photos/videos taken of your child during our activities for fundraising publicity purposes, and promotional materials. Some of our best pictures are used on brochures, Facebook, and/or our website.

PLEASE CHECK ONE BELOW:

- I hereby GIVE permission to use pictures/videos taken of my child,
(Name) _____
to be used for public promotional brochures, viewing of videos,
fundraising, and the Fort Hope website.

- I DO NOT wish pictures/videos taken of my child,
(Name) _____
to be used for any public use.

Signature of Both Parents or Guardians living with child:

Print Names:

Date:

Fort Hope, Inc. Release Form

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Participant's Name _____ Age: (if minor) _____

WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

Waiver: In consideration of being permitted to participate in any way in Fort Hope, Taco Farm Camp, Winter and Spring Camps and/or Unplugged; I, for myself, my heirs, person representatives or assigns, do hereby release, waive, discharge, and covenant not to sue any Agent of the Taco Farm Day Camp and Fort Hope, Inc, its officers, employees, volunteers and agents from liability, from any and all claims including the negligence of the Taco Farm Day Camp, its offers, employees and agents, resulting in personal injury, accidents or illnesses (including death), and property loss arising from but not limited to, participation in Taco Farm Day Camp.

Assumption of Risks: Participation in Fort Hope, Taco Farm, Winter/Spring Camps and Unplugged carries with it certain inherent risks that cannot be eliminated regardless of the care taken to avoid injuries. The specific risks vary from one activity to another, but the risks range from 1) minor injuries such as scratches, cuts, bruises, and sprains; 2) major injuries such as eye injury or loss of sight, joint or back injuries, heart attacks, and concussions; and 3) catastrophic injuries including paralysis and death.

I have read the previous paragraphs and I know, understand, and appreciate these and other risks that are inherent in the above Fort Hope Programs. I hereby assert that my participation and my child(ren) is voluntary and knowingly assume all such risks.

Indemnification and Hold Harmless: I also agree to INDEMNIFY and HOLD the Regents, employees and Volunteers of Fort Hope, Inc. and its programs, HARMLESS from any and all claims, actions, suits, procedures, costs, expenses, damages, and liabilities, including attorney's fees brought as a result of my child(ren)'s involvement in Fort Hope's programs, and to reimburse them for any such expenses incurred.

Severability: The undersigned further expressly agrees that the foregoing Waiver and Assumption of Risk Agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the law of the State of California and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect.

Acknowledgement of Understanding: I have read this Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk, and Indemnity Agreement, fully understand its terms, and understand that I am giving up substantial rights including my right to sue. I acknowledge that I am signing the agreement freely and voluntarily, and intend by my signature to be a complete and unconditional release of all liability to the greatest extent allowed by law.

Signature of Parent/Guardians of Minor or Adult Participant _____ Date _____

This Waiver applies to all Fort Hope, Inc. activities including, but not limited to Taco Farm/Winter/Spring Day Camps and camp meetings, Unplugged, activity meetings, educational field days, field trips, camps, exchange programs, fundraisers, community service activities, volunteer trainings, fairs and projects. **Signatures of both parents/guardians is required if living with or has custody of child(ren).** December 2022