<u>Harmony Baptist Church</u> 2025-2026 EPIC Student Ministries Waiver

My child has my permission to attend any Harmony Baptist Church EPIC Student Ministries Activities from August 2025 to August 2026. I understand that my child will be transported on the HBC bus or van to and from Harmony Baptist Church and other possible locations, either in a chaperone's vehicle or on the bus or van. Further, I agree to hold Harmony Baptist Church, its officers, workers, or representatives guiltless in the event of accident or injury to my child. I further grant permission for Harmony Baptist Church workers to act on my behalf in the event of an accident or injury to my child, provided reasonable effort has been made to contact me.

I permit my child to participate in all the planned activities during Harmony Baptist Church events. For my child to attend these events, I must provide the following information, attached to this form, regarding the child: the child's name and date of birth, the parent/guardian's information, an emergency contact, and any important medical information. This is necessary in case any Youth Director/Teacher, or Chaperone needs to act as a guardian, or if my child chooses not to follow the rules set forth by Harmony Baptist Church Youth Groups and their leaders. In this event, I will be responsible for picking up my child from Harmony Baptist Church/outing/ activity and taking them home at my own expense. I will not hold any of the leaders/teachers/directors/ chaperones of the Church or Harmony Baptist Church responsible should an unforeseen accident arise that is beyond their control.

I understand that my child's behavior and attitude can affect attendance at these events. Events and outings are a privilege based on these characteristics. Any child who is struggling in one of these areas may be asked not to attend these outings away from church and/or away from their parents until they can meet the standards set by the youth leaders/ teachers. This is for the protection of all the youth group attendees as well as the leaders/teachers. Harmony Baptist Church's youth group aims to include all attendees who choose to participate in outings and reward trips, unless they do not meet the specified guidelines. All leaders/teachers are volunteers and might not be able to meet the needs of every child who is struggling in these areas. It is our prayer and desire to do our best. However, if the leaders or teachers believe it is unsafe or unwise to remove a child from Harmony Baptist Church, they will convene a meeting with the youth/parents. We understand that "kids are kids" and are not looking for perfection in any youth. Still, youth could be asked not to attend as a punishment for negative behavior or attitude that has been displayed at church, at any previous church event, school, with the police, or on social media. The youth leaders/ teachers will meet with parents/ youth to discuss the need to refrain from going on these outings. These

meetings will be on an individual, as-needed basis. Additional information and the full behavior expectations policy can be found at hbcdawson.com under the EPIC Student Ministries section.

While participating in events at Harmony Baptist Church, please be aware of the changing COVID-19 situations. HBC cannot guarantee that its youth, teachers, parents, and other volunteers in attendance will not contract COVID-19.

Individuals who are currently or within the past (5) days have been diagnosed, experienced symptoms, or been in contact with COVID-19 should not engage in HBC events and activities. By signing below, I acknowledge the health risks associated with this activity. I release and forever discharge the released parties from any claim whatsoever which arises or may hereafter arise on account of the risks of contracting the COVID-19 virus.