

**Awaken the North is an international non-profit group of Universalist Heathens who have united in solidarity and frith to honor the Norse Pantheon. We are a community of Heathens, Norse pagans, Ásatrúar, and like-minded individuals who desire to learn and grow in our faith, dedicated to the worship and veneration of the Old Gods. We accept people from all walks of life regardless of differences, and we embrace our uniqueness and celebrate the uniqueness of others. With a Zero Hate tolerance policy, Awaken the North will not stand for racism, bigotry, or xenophobia of any kind. Our aim is to create a safe space for all to learn, grow, and support each other on our spiritual walks through Heathenry.**

**Awaken the North focuses on learning and building local communities, both online and offline. We are not simply another online social club. We are toes in the dirt, get our hands muddy, light a bonfire, dance around, and praise the old Gods' coalition of local grass-roots organizations working on making the world a better place!**

### **Section 1 – Authorization and Acknowledgment of Responsibility**

I represent and warrant that I \_\_\_\_\_ [print name] am an authorized legal guardian of Participant \_\_\_\_\_ [Participant's name], and that I have been provided full cooperation and permission by each other legal guardian of Participant (including each person possessing shared parental rights or guardianship) to enter into this binding agreement on behalf of Participant and Participant's parents/guardians. I understand that it is my sole responsibility to fully disclose the terms of this document to each person possessing shared parental rights or guardianship prior to signing below, and to provide each such person a copy of this document when signed.

I represent and warrant that I, and each person with shared parental rights or guardianship, have been fully informed of the religious teachings of Awaken the North (hereinafter AtN), including its doctrines and all programs and activities of the organization. I also acknowledge that it has been and remains my sole responsibility to fully apprise Participant of all such information regarding the organization and Participant's involvement, and that I have satisfied this obligation.

I acknowledge that it is my responsibility to instruct Participant regarding all of Participant's responsibilities associated with involvement in any activities of AtN and when interacting with persons associated with the organization. I have discussed with Participant the importance of adhering to all rules and policies of the organization, including the organization's rules for protecting person's right of privacy, confidentiality, and the code of conduct prescribed by the organization (including prohibition of any discrimination, and that all persons are instead expected to promote diversity, equity and inclusion).

I represent and warrant that Participant has been fully informed of the policies of the organization and that I have instructed the Participant to adhere to such policies. I therefore acknowledge that Participant's failure to abide by the rules and policies of AtN may subject Participant to being suspended or prohibited from any future involvement with AtN due to inappropriate conduct.

### **Section 2 – Consent / Permission of Participant's Involvement and Waiver of Liability**

As duly authorized parent/guardian of Participant (and as the authorized representative on behalf of all parents/guardians of Participant) I authorize and consent to Participant's involvement with activities of AtN, including Participant being provided information and/or educational materials by AtN, Participant's use of on-line forums hosted by or relating to AtN, and Participant's attendance in discussion forums or meetings.

I authorize and consent to communications being sent by AtN directly to Participant, and that I shall not be included on such communications. I further acknowledge that, if at any time I believe it is necessary for the well-being of Participant to obtain information regarding Participant's involvement with AtN (including any inquiry regarding communications between Participant and any persons associated with AtN), I may direct an inquiry (a "Guardian Inquiry") to the following person(s) coua@awakenthenorth.org. In the event I have submitted a Guardian Inquiry, I acknowledge and agree that authorized persons at AtN shall, in their sole discretion, such determine the appropriate action, which may include suspending or terminating Participant's participation in any programs or activities of the organization, and may include contacting me directly.

As duly authorized parent/guardian of Participant (and as the authorized representative on behalf of all parents/guardians of Participant) I hereby fully release, discharge and hold harmless AtN, its Directors, its individual members, and all officers, agents, employees, volunteers and representatives of AtN from all liability, claims, causes of action, or demands, including any claim for reimbursement, attorney fees, fines, fees, other costs (e.g., medical costs) and any alleged damages, arising out of or relating to Participant's participation with any activity, program or forum associated with AtN, including Participant's use of information or materials provided by AtN, Participant's use of on-line forums regarding the organization, and/or Participant's attendance in meetings or discussion forums associated with AtN. I acknowledge that this agreement is made in consideration for AtN allowing Participant to become involved with the programs and activities of AtN.

### **Section 3 - Youth participation Consent and Acknowledgement:**

I, the undersigned Participant, understand that I am responsible to act in a safe and responsible fashion, to follow the rules, policies and guidelines of AtN, and that I am solely responsible for my conduct and that I will not endanger the safety of others or myself as a result of my involvement with AtN discussion forums or any other activities associated with AtN. I acknowledge that I am aware of the rules and policies of AtN, including prohibition of any discrimination, antisemitism or disparagement of others, and I will uphold such principles and conduct myself in an appropriate manner at all times when interacting with others associated with AtN.

**Participant:** Minor person who has requested involvement with Awaken the North and it's activities: (Minor person is under 18 years of age at the time of signing, under 19 for residents of Nebraska and Alabama, under 21 for residents of Mississippi.)

Participant's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Participant's Signature/Acknowledgement \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian**

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian [print name]: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Participant: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian home address:

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ (Home/Cell phone)