

2009 MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY SUMMER ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELD SCHOOL  
AGREEMENT AND RELEASE

I, the undersigned, an applicant for the Missouri State University (MSU) archaeological field school, do waive and release all claims against MSU and its agents for any injury, loss, damage, accident, or expense incurred while participating in the field school. I also release MSU and its agents and agree to indemnify them, with regard to any financial obligations or liabilities that I may personally incur or any damage or injury to the person or property of others that I may cause, while participating in this program.

I understand that MSU is not responsible for any injury or loss whatsoever suffered by me during periods of independent travel (which I understand may not be supervised) or during any absence from the program or other MSU supervised activities.

I hereby grant MSU and its agents full authority to take whatever actions they may consider to be warranted under the circumstances regarding my health and safety, and I fully release them from any liability for such decisions or actions as may be taken in connection herewith. I authorize MSU and its agents, at their discretion, to place me, at my own (or my parents'/guardians') expense, and without my further consent, in the hands of a medical doctor or in a hospital for medical treatment. If deemed necessary or desirable by MSU or its agents, I authorize them to transport me back home or to another appropriate destination at my (or my parents'/guardians') expense for medical treatment.

I will comply with MSU and/or field school rules, standards, and instructions for student behavior and will refrain from consumption of alcohol/drugs during the entire residential field school session including travel to and from the field area. I understand that this program is co-educational and will include participants of varying backgrounds and agree to conduct myself in a manner that respects the rights and feelings of all participants in the program. I further agree to conduct myself in such a way as not to violate the standards of the community in which we will be living and working and will comply with all instructions of the field director on these matters.

I agree that MSU or its agents shall have the right to enforce appropriate standards of conduct, and that they may at any time terminate my participation in the MSU program for failure to maintain these standards or for any actions or conduct that MSU or its agents consider to be incompatible with the interest, harmony, comfort, well-being, or safety of other students or local residents. If my participation is terminated, I consent to being sent home at my own (or my parents'/guardians') expense with no refund of fees. I also understand that, if I leave the program voluntarily for any reason after it has begun, there will be no refund of fees except in accordance with MSU's standard tuition refund schedule.

I understand that permission must be granted by MSU or its agents to leave the field site or to engage in any independent/unsupervised activities at or away from the site. I hereby waive and release all claims against MSU and its agents arising at a time when I am not under direct supervision of MSU and its agents or arising out of my failure to remain under such supervision or to comply with such rules, standards, and instructions; and I agree to indemnify MSU and its agents against any consequences thereof.

All references in this Agreement and Release to "MSU and its agents" shall include Southwest Missouri state University and all of its governors, administrators, and staff as well as administrators, faculty, staff, and student supervisors directly associated with the field school.

I understand and agree to all of the terms and conditions outlined above. I further understand that this agreement shall become effective only upon receipt of my application by MSU and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Missouri.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

I certify that I am the parent or legal guardian of the above applicant, and that I have read the foregoing Agreement and Release (including such parts as may subject me to personal financial responsibility), and hereby relinquish any claim that I might have against MSU or its agents (as set forth above), both in my own behalf and in my capacity as legal representative of the applicant, including without limitation any claim arising as a result of the applicant's leaving the supervision of MSU or at a time when the applicant has left the supervision of MSU.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Guardian (if applicant is under 21)