SHENANDOAH AREA COUNCIL **BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA**

Assumption of the Risk and Waiver of Liability Relating to Coronavirus/COVID-19

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization**. COVID-19 is extremely contagious** and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. As a result, federal, state, and local governments and federal and state health agencies recommend social distancing, the wearing of cloth face coverings, and have, in many locations, prohibited the congregation of groups of people.

The Boy Scouts of America, Shenandoah Area Council, the leadership of your Unit (Pack, Troop, Crew or Post), Unit's Chartering Organization and all subsidiaries thereof, here and after, collectively referred to as "SAC" have put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, **SAC cannot guarantee** that you or your child(ren) will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, **attending activities, functions and meetings of SAC and SAC properties, including Camp Rock Enon and Armstrong Scout Service Center, could increase** your risk and your child(ren)'s risk of contracting COVID-19.

By signing this agreement, I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that my child(ren) and I may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by attending SAC activities, as well as SAC properties, and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at SAC activities and properties may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to, SAC employees, volunteers, and program participants and their families.

I voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury to my child(ren) or myself (including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, and death), illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense, of any kind, that I or my child(ren) may experience or incur in connection with my child(ren)'s attendance at a SAC activity or property, or participation in SAC programming ("Claims"). On my behalf, and on behalf of my children, I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless the SAC, its employees, volunteers, agents, and representatives, of and from the Claims, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto. I understand and agree that this release includes any Claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of the SAC, its employees, volunteers, agents, and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in any SAC activity or program.

UNIT ACTIVITIES = Please sign and turn this form into your Unit Leader

DISTRICT/COUNCIL ACTIVITIES = Please sign and turn this form into your Unit Leader for inclusion in the Unit's event registration; If registering as an individual family, please turn in with your individual registration. Forms may also be emailed to **kari.judson@scouting.org**

Signature of Parent/Guardian	**Date**	**Unit Type and #**

Print Name of Parent/Guardian	**Name of Participant(s)**