Sprouts Nature School - Transportation Waiver & Permission

1. Transportation Purposes and Locations

Transportation may be provided between Sprouts program locations and nearby public libraries, museums, or other indoor locations in the event of inclement weather, unsafe air quality, or other conditions that make the planned outdoor location unsuitable. Transportation may also include scheduled field trips and transportation to or from a child's school or home and that day's program location when requested or authorized by the parent/guardian in writing.

Families will be notified of non-routine transportation before it occurs whenever reasonably possible. In an emergency, families will be notified as soon as reasonably possible.

2. Drivers

Transportation may be provided by Ilsa Spencer or another employee, contractor, or adult specifically authorized by Sprouts Nature School to provide transportation.

3. Vehicles and Insurance

I understand that transportation may be provided in the personal vehicles of authorized Sprouts drivers rather than in a school bus. Sprouts requires authorized drivers to maintain a valid driver's license and current automobile insurance and to provide proof of both to Sprouts. Drivers must also meet any additional driving or insurance requirements established by Sprouts for the transportation they are assigned to provide.

4. School and Home Transportation

I understand that transportation to or from my child's school or home will be provided only when I have requested or authorized it in writing. My child will be released only to me, authorized school personnel, or another adult I have authorized in writing through the registration form or direct written communication with Sprouts, unless I have provided a different written release arrangement.

5. Emergencies

In an emergency, Sprouts may call 911 or other emergency services. When emergency ambulance transportation is not indicated and it is reasonably safe and appropriate to do so, an authorized Sprouts driver may transport my child to an urgent care facility or hospital. Sprouts will attempt to contact me as soon as reasonably possible.

6. Permission

I give permission for my child to be transported by the authorized individuals described above for the locations and purposes described in this form during Sprouts Nature School programming. This permission applies to the program year identified above and remains in effect unless I withdraw it in

writing. I understand that if I withdraw transportation permission, I will be responsible for arranging transportation for my child whenever Sprouts transportation would otherwise be required.

I confirm that I am the parent or legal guardian of each child covered by this permission and that I have authority to give this permission.

7. Rider Expectations

I understand that my child must follow applicable motor-vehicle safety laws and the directions of the driver and other authorized Sprouts adults. I have read, understand, and discussed with my child that:

(1) Transportation may occur with one authorized adult driver and participating children in the vehicle; a second Sprouts adult may not be present.

(2) My child must remain properly restrained for the entire trip. A child who is required by Wisconsin law to use a car seat or booster seat must use an appropriate restraint. The restraint may be provided by Sprouts or by the child's family and must be used in accordance with applicable law, the restraint manufacturer's instructions, and the vehicle manufacturer's instructions. Sprouts will not knowingly transport a child without the legally required restraint.

(3) Children participating in Sprouts programming will ride in a rear passenger seat. Children must remain properly seated and restrained while the vehicle is moving.

(4) My child is expected to respect the driver, other passengers, and the vehicle and must not engage in behavior that distracts or interferes with the driver.

(5) Motor-vehicle transportation involves risks that cannot be completely eliminated, including collisions, sudden stops, road and weather conditions, actions of other motorists, and acts or errors of passengers or drivers. These risks may result in serious bodily injury, disability, death, or property damage.

8. Acknowledgment of Risk

I understand that motor-vehicle transportation involves the possibility of serious injury, disability, death, and property damage. I understand these risks and voluntarily give permission for my child to participate in Sprouts transportation.

I understand that I may be responsible for medical, ambulance, or other expenses incurred on behalf of my child, except to the extent otherwise required by law or covered by applicable insurance.

9. Release of Claims for Ordinary Negligence

To the fullest extent permitted by Wisconsin law, on behalf of myself, my child, and our legal representatives, I release Sprouts Nature School, Ilsa Spencer, and Sprouts' employees, contractors, volunteers, and agents involved in transportation (the "Released Parties") from claims for bodily injury, illness, death, or property damage **caused by the ordinary negligence of the Released Parties** in connection with Sprouts transportation.

This release does not apply to reckless or intentional misconduct or to any claim that cannot legally be waived under Wisconsin law.

I understand that by agreeing to this provision, I am giving up legal rights that I or my child might otherwise have to bring claims based on the ordinary negligence of the Released Parties.

Parent/guardian initials acknowledging the Release of Claims for Ordinary Negligence: _____

10. Agreement and Electronic Signature

I have read this entire Transportation Waiver & Permission, understand it, and agree to its terms.

By selecting “I give permission” on the registration form, I confirm that I am the parent or legal guardian described above and intend my selection to serve as my electronic signature.

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