

PARENTS/GUARDIANS

Assumption of 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, among other things, wearing masks or other appropriate face coverings, frequent hand-washing, use of hand sanitizer, social distancing and have, in many circumstances and locations, prohibited the congregation of groups of people.

While COVID-19 can cause mild or even no symptoms in some individuals, it can lead to severe illness and even death in others. Adults over age 65 and people of any age with serious underlying medical conditions or are immunocompromised or have illnesses including, but not limited to, heart disease, diabetes, asthma and other respiratory conditions, or women who are pregnant, may be at a higher risk for more serious complications from COVID-19. For more information, see the Center for Disease Control's website at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>.

As Princeton Joint Unified School District (PJUSD) anticipates students returning to classrooms in the fall, preparations for students to safely return and the circumstances under which our schools will resume in-person classroom instruction are changing from day to day due to the changing circumstances regarding COVID-19. CDC, State and local guidelines are accordingly being regularly modified and updated and therefore, it is important for each parent/guardian to stay informed about the most recent guidance from those agencies.

Based upon information available and given these changing circumstances, the Princeton Elementary has put in place preventive measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19 in accordance with current guidance from the CDC and the State of California; however, the PJUSD cannot guarantee that you or your child(ren) will not become infected with COVID-19 while your child(ren) are attending in-person classes. Further, attending in-person classes could increase your risk and your family's risk of contracting COVID-19.

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RELEASE, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY

By signing this agreement, I acknowledge and understand the contagious nature of COVID-19 and that the circumstances regarding COVID-19 are changing from day to day. I voluntarily assume the risks, whether known or unknown, that my child(ren), other family members and I may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by attending Princeton Elementary and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, serious illness, permanent disability, and death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by my child (ren) attending school may result from many circumstances, including the actions, inactions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to, District officers, elected and appointed officials, employees, volunteers, and other children and their families.

I voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing known and unknown risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury to my child(ren), or myself (including, but not limited to, personal injury, serious illness, disability, and death), and any 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 in-person attendance at school. On my behalf, and on behalf of my children, I hereby release, waive, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless PJUSD/ Princeton Elementary School (including its officers, elected and appointed officials, employees, agents, volunteers and representatives), from any and all liabilities, claims, actions, demands, settlements, losses, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating to my child(ren)'s attendance at school and/or participation in related activities (collectively, "Claims"). Having carefully read this waiver and release, I understand and agree that this release includes any Claims based on the actions, inactions, omissions, or negligence of PJUSD/ Princeton Elementary School (including its officers, elected and appointed officials, employees, agents, volunteers and representatives), whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after attendance at school and/or participation in related activities.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Name of Parent/Guardian

Name of Child(ren)