

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

**Kidz Care**

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 and have, in many locations, prohibited the congregation of groups of people.

In accordance with Los Angeles County health orders, as well as Cal/OSHA guidelines, **the City of Santa Clarita (City)** has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, the City **cannot guarantee** that you or your child(ren) will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, **participating and/or attending a City program, event and/or activity could increase** your risk and your child(ren)'s risk of contracting COVID-19. While COVID-19 can cause mild 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 including, but not limited to, HIV, asthma and other respiratory conditions, and pregnancy, may be a higher risk for more serious complications from COVID-19.

As a parent/guardian on behalf of myself and my child(ren) understand and agree that although the City strives to follow all LA County Health recommendations to the extent feasible in the running of Kidz Care, the City will not require children to wear a mask as is required by the LA County Health Department. Children may bring a mask from home and are encouraged to wear them, however, parents or guardians agree and understand that staff will not enforce or ensure that children keep the masks on. In addition, the LA County Health Department identifies headaches as a symptom of COVID-19 which would require self-quarantine. The City will follow a procedure that deviates from the LA County Health Department as it relates to headaches.

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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 a City program, event and/or activity and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and/or death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at a City program, event and/or activity may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to, City staff, 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/or 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 City program, event and/or activity ("Claims"). On my behalf, and on behalf of my children, I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless the City, its employees, 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 City of Santa Clarita, its employees, agents, and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in any City program.

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Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

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Print Name of Parent/Guardian

Name of Participant(s)