



The Nature of Things

Nature's Pathways • 2nd Nature Academy • Camp Lovewell

Group Program Waiver and Release of Liability

2nd Nature Academy, Camp Lovewell, Nature's Adventures, and Nature's Pathways are operated as part of The Nature of Things LLC. The Nature of Things LLC, located on O'Glesain Farm LLC, offers many activities including, but not limited to live animal care (handling, feeding, and petting animals) team building, low-ropes challenges, hiking, orienteering, science inquiry, pond exploration, sports, and field games. Most activities involve physical activity including crawling, walking, climbing, balancing, or other movement using all or part of your body. Participants may experience fatigue or injury from these activities. (Children must be at least 8 years old to participate in low ropes elements.)

Name of Participant _____ Age _____ Date of Birth ____/____/____
Last First MI

Address _____
Street City State Zip

Parent/Guardian's Name _____
Last First MI

Home phone _____ Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email address _____

Secondary Emergency Contact _____
Last First Relationship

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

In consideration of being allowed to participate in live animal activities through O'Glesain Farm LLC, and/or The Nature of Things LLC, the undersigned acknowledges and agrees that:

- I. I recognize that the risk of serious injury is increased by not following the stated guidelines.
- II. I recognize that there is a significant element of risk involved in participating in low ropes elements, science activities, pond exploration, handling animals, and other activities and while particular rules, equipment, and personal discipline may reduce risk, the risk of serious injury does exist.
- III. I state that I am fully capable of participating in such activities and I certify that I have no physical conditions that might interfere with my capability to participate in animal activities and/or horseback riding.
- IV. I agree to comply with rules and regulations as posted and as set forth by teachers, instructors, and facilitators.
- V. I willingly agree to comply with the stated and customary terms and conditions for participation. If, however, I observe any unusual significant hazard during my presence or participation, I will remove myself from participation and bring such to the attention of the nearest staff member immediately.

(Please read and sign reverse side.)

Group Program Conduct Agreement

Our goals are to provide to all of the children a positive learning experience while building character, trust, communication skills, collaboration, and confidence. In an effort to attain these goals, an environment of safety and comfort needs to exist. Participation in low ropes elements is strictly voluntary. While children will be encouraged to participate, they will not be forced or coerced to take part.

Please read the following with your child and make sure he/she understands what is expected of them while participating in group programs. It is important that both the participant and his/her parent/guardian sign the conduct agreement with the intention of following it.

- 1. Participants must show respect for other children, staff, and themselves and be accepting of all individuals.**
- 2. Participants must respect school property and other participants' property.**
- 3. Profanity, fighting, bullying, as well as any threatening, exclusionary, harassing, or disruptive behavior of any kind will not be tolerated.**
- 4. Each participant must cooperate, listen to others, and follow all rules.**
- 5. Participants are responsible for taking care of their own belongings.**
- 6. Participants are responsible for communicating needs, feelings, fears, etc. with staff.**

When a participant violates one of these rules, and allows others to be denied the full experience of program, the following steps will be taken:

Step 1: Participant will be addressed by a staff member and given a verbal warning.

Step 2: Participant will be asked to sit out for a brief amount of time deemed appropriate for the child's age and the type of violation.

Step 3: Participant will be denied the opportunity to participate in the remainder of the program.

Group Program Waiver Signature

I, for myself and on behalf of my spouse, heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, hereby release and hold harmless, The Nature of Things LLC, O'Glesain Farm LLC, the host organization and facility, any owners, sponsors, volunteers, employees, agents, officers or directors of the above organizations, and if applicable, owners and lessors of premises used to conduct the event (collectively the "Releasees") with respect to any and all injuries, disabilities, loss of life or damage to person or property occurring or arising out of participation in the program.

I have read this release of liability and assumption of risk agreement, (front and back) fully understand its terms, and sign it freely and voluntarily without any inducement. If participant is under the age of 18, this certifies that I, as parent/guardian with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent and agree to his/her release as provided above of all the releasees, and, for myself, my spouse, my heirs, assigns, and next of kin, I forever release and agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the releasees from any and all liabilities as set forth above arising out of or occurring from my minor child's involvement of participation in Camp Lovewell and/or The Nature of Things LLC Programs organized or sponsored or run by any of the releasees, their agents or representatives.

Date _____

Participant Signature **or** Parent/Guardian Signature if Participant is Under 18

Photo Release

I grant The Nature of Things, LLC permission to photograph my child. I authorize The Nature of Things, LLC to publish my child's photo in camp brochures, videos, and public or private advertising including The Nature of Things websites and Facebook or any other promotional printed or electronic media. I understand that my child's name will not be published or posted.

Date _____

Participant Signature **or** Parent/Guardian Signature if Participant is Under 18