



Waiver Statement & Code of Conduct

Child's Name (if more than one child is registered, please write all children's names):

1. I understand that part of the Humane Society of Utah's (HSU) H.E.R.O. Camp program is educating young people on how to handle animals, and that every precaution is made for my child's safety and well-being. Whenever working with animals, I know there is always a risk of injury. On behalf of myself, my heirs, personal representatives and executors, I hereby release, discharge, indemnify, and hold harmless the HSU, its agents, volunteers, and employees, from any and all claims, causes of action, or demands or injuries which may be incurred or sustained by my child in any way, including, but not limited to, animal bites, accidents, illnesses, or injuries.
2. In case of injury to my child, I request that the HSU to contact me. If the HSU is unable to reach me or my emergency contacts, I authorize the HSU to make whatever arrangements they deem necessary, including, but not limited to calling 911, transporting my child to an emergency room or clinic.
3. I hereby allow the HSU to use any photos, videos, or other recordings taken of my child in promotional materials (including but not limited to television, radio, social media, email and internet).
4. I understand that my child needs to dress in their H.E.R.O. Camp T-shirt every day of camp (this will be given to the campers on the first day of camp, and the children will be allowed to change in the restroom). Wearing the H.E.R.O. Camp T-shirt will ensure their safety while at the HSU. My child must wear shorts of at least knee length or pants, and closed-toe shoes with rubber soles. If a child fails to wear the shorts/pants and shoes described here, they will not be allowed to work with any animals that day. I further understand the crafts and activities taking place at this camp may cause damage to my child's clothing and other items brought to camp, and that the HSU is not liable for any damaged or lost items of any kind.
5. I have included all known medical and behavioral issues that affect my child/children on the Health History Form (separate form for each child being registered must be submitted). I understand that my child must adhere to all rules and expectations set forth by the HSU's Humane Education Director, and other volunteers and staff running H.E.R.O. Camp. I further understand that if my child is disruptive, refuses to participate in activities, continually breaks rules, puts other campers or animals in danger, or is involved in any confrontations, they will be immediately dismissed from H.E.R.O. Camp and asked not to return. *In the case of dismissal, no refunds will be issued.* The decision to dismiss a child from camp is at the sole discretion of the HSU Humane Education Director, and I understand that this decision will be final. If my child is dismissed in the middle of a day at H.E.R.O. Camp, I understand that I will be contacted to pick them up immediately, as they will not be allowed to remain at the program until the end of the camp day.
6. Please be aware that children attending HSU H.E.R.O. Camp may be exposed to unvaccinated children. We are aware that reasons exist why some families may choose to refrain from vaccinations - either for medical or non-medical reasons. It is the recommendation of the HSU that children be vaccinated prior to attending any education programs.
7. I will not allow my child to bring any pets, cell phones, Mp3 players, game systems or other electronic devices with them to H.E.R.O. Camp.
8. I understand that my child will be exposed to many types of animals throughout their camp experience, and I certify that this contact will NOT negatively affect their health due to allergies or other known medical issues.
9. I understand that the HSU is not liable for any food allergens that my child may be exposed to from fellow campers, staff or volunteers through lunches or snacks.
10. I understand that my child will be performing some outdoor activities, and that they may be exposed to sun and bugs. I agree to put sunscreen and bug repellent on my child each morning before dropping them off at camp.
11. I will speak with my child about the importance of participation in all activities at H.E.R.O. Camp. Although we try our best to balance the day with hands-on time with animals, lessons on proper pet care, presentations from animal experts, crafts and games, we realize that not all campers will enjoy every activity. Campers must still participate and be respectful to staff, volunteers and fellow campers during all activities.
12. I agree to explain the above policies and rules to my child prior to H.E.R.O. Camp starting and each day as they attend the camp.
13. I understand that my child's spot in H.E.R.O. Camp is not guaranteed until payment is made in full.
14. Camp dates/times are subject to change at the discretion of the Humane Education Director.
15. I certify that I am the above mentioned child's parent or legal guardian.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ **Date:** _____