

South Portland Outing Club 2015-16

Gaining Experience in the Outdoors!

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Mission Statement:

The South Portland Outing Club exists to give South Portland High School students an opportunity to safely participate in outdoor activities and learn basic and technical outdoor skills.

Through these experiences students will gain an appreciation and respect for each other and the environment, and develop leadership skills and greater self-awareness.

Goal:

The goal of this club is to safely participate in activities based around, on, and in, natural playgrounds.

Activities:

The choice is ours! Some possibilities include hiking, mountain biking, sea kayaking, rock climbing, canoeing, Nordic, Alpine, and Telemark skiing, snowboarding, and whitewater rafting. Our only limitations are our resources and our imaginations.

Risks:

WARNING OF RISK

By its nature, participation in an adventure-based club includes risk of injury that may range in severity from minor to disabling, to even death. Although serious injuries are not common in school-supervised activities, it is impossible to eliminate the risk. Therefore, participants must obey all safety rules, report all physical problems to their teachers/advisors, follow a proper conditioning program, and inspect their own equipment daily.

I, the Student/Club Member have read and acknowledge the above "Warning of Risk".

Student Name (print): _____

_____ Date: _____

Student Signature

I, the Parent/Guardian have read and acknowledge the above warning.

Parent/Guardian (print): _____

_____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature

Due to the nature of the club, we will be going on several trips **transported by chaperones and student drivers.**

I permit my son/daughter to accompany the outing club on any off-campus learning experiences and authorize the school to obtain any emergency medical care that may be reasonably necessary for the student.

_____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature

OUTING CLUB PARTICIPANT RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

I understand that participation in the South Portland Outing Club programs involves inherent risks and dangers, including hazards associated with recreation in an outdoor environment that may include extreme heat or cold, altitude, and/or uneven terrain. I understand that such activities are often physically and emotionally demanding. I further understand that I will be participating with others under circumstances in which accidents, mistakes or other circumstances may result in injury. To enable the South Portland Outing Club to offer such programs:

1. I accept and assume the risk of bodily injury, death or property damage occurring while participating in the above activities from these and other risks and dangers. I voluntarily choose to participate in the activities notwithstanding such risks and dangers, I understand that I can cease participation at any time, and I accept full and sole responsibility for doing so.
2. I, for myself and my heirs, successors, assigns and personal representatives, hereby release and discharge the South Portland Outing Club, their respective agents, employees, officers, directors, volunteers and successors and assigns (hereinafter referred to individually or collectively as "Releasees") from any liability or causes of action whatsoever arising from, or on account of, property damage, economic loss, personal injury or death, related to my participation in the activities, including, without limitation, any liability or causes of action based on, asserting, or caused by, the negligence of Releasees or of other persons, for breach of contract or liability asserted on any other ground.
3. I further hereby covenant not to sue and agree to indemnify and hold harmless Releasees from any liability or causes of action whatsoever arising from property damage, economic loss, personal injury or death, related to my participation in the activities, including, without limitation, any liability or causes of action based on, asserting, or caused by, the negligence of Releasees or of other persons.

This Release and Indemnity Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Maine and binding on me and on my heirs, successors, assigns and personal representatives. If any provision herein is invalid or unenforceable, in whole or in part, it shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision.

CAREFULLY READ BEFORE SIGNING!

Participant's Signature	Printed Name	Date
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Parents' Signatures	Printed Name(s)	Date
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