



**Parental Release and Consent Agreement:
Engage in Democracy 2012 Student Journalism Challenge
Student Ambassador Program**

By signing this parental consent and release agreement (the "Agreement"), you agree to the following Terms and Conditions:

- (1) I and my child hereby voluntarily elect for him or her to participate in the Engage in Democracy 2012 Student Journalism Challenge (the "Challenge") Student Ambassador Program (the "Program").
- (2) I certify that my child is, upon entering school in fall of 2012, a K-12 student living within the United States and its territories.
- (3) I understand that participation in the Program involves certain risks that could result in injury or other unintended consequences. I am fully aware of and voluntarily accept and assume all the risks connected with my child's participation in the Program, whether or not foreseeable and whether or not caused by the negligent or intentional acts or omissions of other. I agree to be solely responsible for my child's safety while he or she is participating in the Program.
- (4) I understand that, although the Challenge has made every reasonable effort to assure my child's safety while participating in the Program, there are unavoidable risks, and I hereby release and promise not to sue the Challenge, and/or its respective agents, insurers, employees, volunteers, officials, sponsors, partners, local associations, and affiliates (collectively, the "Challenge Administrators") for any damages or injury (including death) caused by, deriving from, or associated with my child's participation in the Program or as authorized by this Agreement, except for such claims, damages or losses may be caused by the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Challenge Administrators.
- (5) I understand that throughout the Challenge, my child may be asked to participate in media or promotional events, including award ceremonies, media interviews, and publicity events related to the Challenge.
- (6) I also agree that if my child is selected as a winner of the Program, the Challenge has the right to use his or her name, likeness in any promotion or marketing related to the Challenge, without compensation to myself, my child, or anyone who contributed to the entry.
- (7) I agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Challenge Administrators from liability for any claims by any third party in connection with my child's participation in the Program, including without limitation any claims relating to the violation of any third party rights or any applicable law.
- (8) I agree that this Agreement will be binding to the fullest extent permitted by law. If any provision of this Agreement is held to be invalid, that provision will be limited only to the minimum extent necessary to comply with applicable law, and the validity of the remaining provisions will not be in any way affected.
- (9) It is my express intent that this Agreement bind my heirs, assigns, and personal representatives.
- (10) In signing this Agreement, I acknowledge and represent that I have read it in its entirety, understand it and voluntarily sign it as my own free act and deed; that no oral representations, statements, or inducements not contained in this Agreement have been made to me by any of the Challenge Administrators; and that I execute this Agreement fully intending to be bound by same.

Signature

I, _____ (print full name of parent or legal guardian), understand the above terms and conditions and give my consent for

_____ (print child's full name) to

participate in the Engage in Democracy 2012 Student Journalism Challenge. In addition, I

certify that my child will be entering _____ (grade of child) upon entering school in

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

Child Signature

Date

Any questions regarding this signed consent form can be directed to the undersigned at:

Address

City

State

Zip

Country

Phone