**BLACKSTRAP FARM, INC.**

 **d/b/a/ Blackstrap Farm**

 **RELEASE AND WAIVER**

**Acknowledgment of Inherent Risk/Assumption of Risk:**

I acknowledge and understand that equine (i.e. horse) activities are inherently dangerous.

I hereby assume the risk and legal liability for any injury that may result from my participation in any and all equine related activities provided by Blackstrap Farm, Inc.

The inherent risks of equine activities include, but are not limited to, the following: the unpredictability of an equines reaction to sounds, sudden movements, unfamiliar objects, persons or other animals; hazards including but not limited to, surface or subsurface conditions, a collision, encounter and/or confrontation with another equine, another animal, a person or an object ; the potential of another equine activity participant to act in a negligent, including, but not limited to, failing to maintain control over an equine and or failing to act within the ability of that participant. If a horse is frightened or provoked it may divert from its training and act according to its natural survival instincts which may include, but are not limited to, stopping short; spinning around; changing directions and/or speed at will; shifting its weight; bucking; rearing; kicking; biting; and/or running from danger.

**Release/Waiver:**

In consideration of being allowed to participate in the equine activities of Blackstrap Farm Inc., I (the student, client, volunteer, or the parent/guardian thereof) do hereby release, waive, agree to hold harmless and indemnify Blackstrap Farm, Inc., its employees, shareholders, directors, officers, members, partners, principals, affiliates, successors and predecessors in interest, heirs, agents, assigns, insurers, and representatives of any kind (“the Releasees”), from any and all liability, including liability resulting from the negligence of the Releasees, for personal injury and/or property damage in any way related to or resulting from the equine activities.

This Release and Waiver is made and entered into in the State of New Hampshire and shall be enforced and interpreted under the laws of this state. When signed, this Release and Waiver shall be binding on both the participant and participant’s parent or legal guardian, if participant is a minor.

**I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE AND AM KNOWINGLY AND WILLINGLY SIGNING IT.**

**Print Participant’s name**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Participant’s age and date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Print Parent/Guardian’s name**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Signature of Participant or Parent/Guardian (for students under age 18)**

**Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**