# PARENT CONSENT FOR EOTC ACTIVITIES

Education outside the classroom (EOTC) is the name given to all events and activities that occur outside the classroom, both on the school grounds and off-site.

Our students participate in a wide range of learning opportunities within and outside the school grounds. Students, especially senior students, may participate in a wide range of sporting events outside the school throughout the year. All class teachers are encouraged to provide extension and enrichment opportunities for their students. These learning opportunities sometimes require travel outside the school, and may extend outside school hours.

Our school uses a process, which is monitored by the principal and board of trustees, to identify and manage risk for all activity types. The Ministry of Education EOTC Guidelines identify four activity types, each with recommended parent/caregiver consent (as outlined below).

| Event Type | Description | Type of consent required (Ministry Guidelines) |
|---|---|---|
| A | **On-site – in the school grounds** | |
| | **Lower risk** – e.g. sports day, horticulture, adventure-based learning (ABL) activities, painting murals, measuring for mathematics | **No consent required** |
| B | **Off-site – short visits in the local community within school hours** | |
| | **Lower risk** – e.g.Shakespear Park, Wentworth College, Leisure Centre, sports and recreation events | **Blanket consent** |
| | **Higher risk** – e.g. aquatic environments (river, beach), cross-country training | **Blanket consent** |
| C | **Off-site – day trips, which extend out of school hours** | |
| | **Lower risk** – e.g. farm visit; day hike in a local park or in local bush; city visit; train, bus or ferry trip; swimming | **Blanket consent** |
| | **Higher risk** – e.g. skiing, rock climbing, swimming in natural environments (beach, river), field trips | **Separate consent for each event and risk disclosure** |
| D | **Off-site – multi-day trips further afield** | |
| | **Lower risk** – e.g. trip to another region; sports tournaments; field trips to urban environments and historic sites | **Separate consent for each event** |
| | **Higher risk** – e.g. overseas trips; field trips into natural water, bush, or alpine environments, or other hazardous environments (for example, where chemicals, heavy machinery, or other hazards are present); outdoor education camps; outdoor pursuit journeys (for example, biking, tramping, canoeing) | **Separate consent and risk disclosure** |

**Staff analyse the risk associated with all EOTC activities, and identify strategies eliminate, isolate, and/or minimise the risks.**

**PLEASE COMPLETE THE INFORMATION ON THE REVERSE OF THIS PAGE; SIGN AND RETURN TO THE CLASS TEACHER – THANK YOU**

## BLANKET CONSENT FOR EOTC ACTIVITIES

I/We agree to the participation of _____ (child's name)

in **all** Type A and B and **lower risk** Type C EOTC activities while a student at Gulf Harbour School.

I/We have provided the school with up-to-date medical, supervision, and learning information through the enrolment form, and will make every endeavour to keep this information current.

| Parent/caregiver name | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Signature** | | **Date** | |
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| **Parent/caregiver name** | | | |
| **Signature** | | **Date** | |

**IF YOU THINK YOU MAY BE ABLE TO ASSIST WITH TRANSPORTING CHILDREN TO ACTIVITES FROM TIME TO TIME THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOW INFORMATION**

## Transport Volunteer Agreement

I can provide transport for _____ children and will not exceed my vehicle's seating capacity.

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| I confirm that my vehicle when used to transport children for GHS will be registered, roadworthy, and has a current warrant of fitness. | (Please tick) |
| Vehicle registration : | Expiry date: |
| I currently hold a full NZ driver licence for the vehicle I will be driving. | (Please tick) |
| Driver license # : | Expiry date: |
| NAME:<br><br>Signiture: | Date of signing: |

 If you have completed the above information – please pop into the school office so that we can take a copy of your licence for our records. THANK YOU!