

Math & Science Academy
Travel Permission, Expectations, Health Form

PARENTS OR GUARDIANS: Your student has indicated that they would like to attend an overnight travel event with an MSA sponsored team, activity, or club. In order for your students to attend, please read the following carefully and complete all applicable portions of this form.

Participant's Name _____ Grade _____

MSA Sponsored Club or Team _____

Dates of planned trip _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Phone: Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Emergency Contact if unable to reach parent _____ Phone _____

I give permission for **over-the-counter medications** (Tylenol, ibuprofen) to be given to my child

List what OTC your child may take:

Does your child have any **medical condition, special health problem or allergies** or does your child need to take medication during this trip? **YES** **NO**

If yes, what is this condition and what special considerations should be made?

I hereby give permission for the team coaches, advisors, or mentors to seek appropriate medical attention.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

NOTE: If there are changes in medication you will need to fill out a new form.

Please initial that you have read and understand the following guidelines and expectations:

_____ In consideration for allowing my child to participate in team events, I hereby forever release MSA and its mentors, advisors, chaperones, or agents from any and all liability for any damage or injuries suffered by my child or his/her property while engaging in events and agree to hold them harmless there from. During team events, including transportation to/from the events, students will be required to follow all rules, expectations, and guidelines of MSA and its Code of Conduct. In consideration of the above statements, I give permission for my child listed above to attend these events.

_____ I understand the necessary arrangements; plans and precautions will be taken for my child for care and supervision of my child during the trip.

_____ I will be responsible for paying all expenses related to sending the student home from the trip for disciplinary reasons or illness based upon the lead mentor's assessment.

_____ In case of an accident or serious illness, I request the coach to contact me. If unable to reach me, the coach may make whatever arrangements that are deemed necessary.

_____ Overnight competitions and meets are team events which require collaboration and cooperation between students, mentors, parents, and the Math & Science Academy advisor/staff. All Math & Science Academy school policies (Student Conduct Behavior Code and Faculty Handbook) are to be enforced on said trips, and participants (students, mentors, parents, and MSA staff) will be held to the rules and regulations outlined in each.

_____ Students, parents, and mentors are expected to exhibit MSA core values. This is expected not only while competing, but also in the stands, in the hotel, and in the community. Respect, kindness, cooperation, and encouragement is expected not only within the team, but with all interactions. Language should be respectful and everyone is expected to refrain from non-professional language (such as swearing). As a reminder, teams are often chosen for team-collaborative play based on behaviors on and off the competition field, and conversations are easily overheard.

_____ All travel arrangements are made by the individual students and parents. MSA staff will not be arranging transportation. A parent mentor may communicate a suggested team hotel or arrange for discounted rates, but booking is the responsibility of each individual parent. Students are not required to stay at the same hotel as the majority of the team, but all students should attend team functions.

_____ All meals are the responsibility of the student. While some hotels offer breakfast, some may not. Specific information about competition site meal options can usually be found on the website associated with a particular meet.

_____ Students will stay in hotel rooms with their parents. Exceptions to this rule may be granted with the permission of parents providing the room (in the case of housing an additional student), parents sending a student unaccompanied, and the MSA coach/advisor. As per the travel waiver, MSA will not be held liable for students during the trip.

_____ Students staying with their parents will abide by all the same team rules and regulations set forth by the MSA advisor and lead mentors (curfew, team meetings, etc).

_____ If a room curfew is necessary, the MSA coach/advisor/lead mentor will communicate the time during team meetings. The time is subject to change, based on the circumstances. When implemented, room curfews are to be observed by all students, even when students are staying with parents.

_____ During competition hours, students may not leave the premises of the conference center unless they are accompanied by another team member or an adult. Students may not leave the center without permission from a lead mentor. When requesting an absence, students must provide the mentor with specifics as to the necessity of their absence, destination, and return time. The mentors should know the whereabouts of each student at all times during the competition; students have a responsibility to be sure that the mentors know where they are during competition.

_____ In the case of an extended lunch-break, students must never leave the building alone. Students may leave with parents or other students if restaurants/hotels are within walking distance, but plans should be communicated with mentors. Again, mentors should know the general whereabouts of each student at all times during extended breaks; students have a responsibility to be sure that the mentors know where they are during breaks.

_____ During non-competition hours, students are the responsibility of their parents; students have a responsibility to be sure that their parents know where they are during non-competition hours.

_____ Students are responsible for their own property, including phones, jackets, headphones, etc. It is advised that unessential valuables be left at home.

_____ If a student is unable to be accompanied by a parent but wishes to attend the competition, the student must notify the lead mentors as early as possible to attempt to arrange a parent willing to sponsor them (thereby effectively assuming responsibility for the student). Students are responsible to pay their portion of lodging with a family.

_____ If a financial burden prevents a student from attending, either a student or parent may contact the MSA Staff coach/advisor/lead mentor to determine if arrangements may be made or to see if scholarships are available.

_____ As per MSHSL rules, students must meet all eligibility rules to participate in competition.

_____ Any behavior that takes place that violates school policy must be communicated to school administration immediately following the event.

I, (parent/guardian printed full name) _____ grant permission for (student printed full name) _____ to participate in this overnight travel event. I warrant that my child is in good health. I understand the necessary arrangements; plans and precautions will be taken for my child for care and supervision of my child during the trip. I also understand that I will be responsible for paying all expenses related to sending the student home from the trip for disciplinary reasons or illness based upon the coach/advisor's opinion.

As a parent or guardian, I agree to all of the above stated considerations and conditions.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ **Date** _____

This permission form will be carried on the trip by the trip advisor.