

# Coastal Academy

## Release of Liability

As a Christian group, Coastal Academy seeks to follow the biblical mandate that disallows bringing charges against Christian brothers in civil courts. We also seek to be good stewards of the resources and blessings the Lord has provided. Our group has never had an instance of injury or damages being charged to the group. Yet we believe it is best to be sure the all members understand our position prior to any mishaps.

We are loosely organized, not for profit, group of Christian families. Participation in any event is strictly voluntary, with no members ever being required to attend a meeting or event. Neither our group nor its leaders, nor its members are liable for any injuries or damages, whether connected with a Coastal Academy event or not.

At every event, parents are responsible for their own children. Children are never allowed to attend any function without a parent. Occasionally a member will desire to send his/her child to an activity with another adult member. This practice is discouraged, yet because we understand that occasionally the parent must remain home because of illness in the family, pregnancy, etc., and because of the family-like nature of our group, we do not desire to prohibit it under all circumstances. In any case, no child is allowed to attend any event without being accompanied by and supervised by his own parent or in special cases, accompanied by and supervised by an adult member designated by that child's parent to take complete responsibility for him. We suggest that if you find it necessary to send your child to an event with another adult, it be one who is comfortable enough with your child to correct him if necessary.

Any special guests (grandparents, relatives, out-of-town friends, etc.) who accompany members to any event are under the sole responsibility of that member for behavior, damages, injuries, etc.

It is expected that any member or his child or guest who damages property or who causes injury, either willfully or through neglect, will take personal responsibility for his actions. Our group will not be involved in any way in such situations. Any person, whether a member or not, who has such a claim will be directed to discuss the offense individually with the party he believes to be responsible. The outcome of such a problem is out of the realm of this group's responsibility. If the parties cannot handle such disputes individually, we will expect that they follow the guidelines of Matthew 18 through their own churches and church leadership.

In the remote event of a catastrophe injuring members while at a group event, we require a MEDICAL RELEASE form for each child to be signed and on file (one copy with the secretary and one in the field trip/event packet which we will attempt to have on hand at every event). No child may participate in any activity without such a form being filled out and signed by the child's parent/guardian first.

*I have read the above and agree to hold Coastal Academy and/or its leaders harmless in the event of any damages or injuries to me, to my children, or to my property.*

Signature of Father/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Mother/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_