

The HIGHLANDS  
**Current**  
**STUDENT**  
**JOURNALISTS**

## **Student Release Form**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, am the parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_ and for valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, do hereby give my consent for my son/daughter to volunteer as a student reporter for *The Highlands Current*. In doing so, I acknowledge and agree that:

II. *The Highlands Current* (“The Current”) will financially compensate my child for his/her service as a student reporter at The Current seeking to gain valuable writing and critical-thinking skills and firsthand journalism experience by working with Current editors on local news assignments.

III. I understand that my child’s participation will entail researching and writing articles. I understand that the preparation of such articles may involve travel and/or on-site reporting, but whether my child undertakes any such travel and/or on-site reporting will always be at my discretion. I understand that my child’s participation is subject to The Current Reporter Guidelines (Exhibit A).

IV. I understand that, subject to age requirements, my child may use various third-party social media outlets in his or her capacity as Current student reporter in consultation with the editors. I consent to such participation.

V. I understand that my child will be writing or otherwise producing or conducting articles, reports, stories, interviews, photos, videos and/or other materials related thereto while serving as a Student Reporter (collectively, "Articles") on behalf of The Current. I understand and agree that all Articles will be deemed the exclusive property of The Current and may be used in connection with its various publications and other activities, without any further obligation to me or my child. I and my child hereby assign and transfer to The Current any and all rights, including without limitation copyright, in the Articles. Without limiting the foregoing, I understand that my child may use the Articles in his/her personal portfolio for school or job applications, and I and my child will not otherwise use or authorize others to use any of the Articles without The Current's prior written consent. The Current will consider reasonable requests from me and my child to authorize any other limited use of the Articles and, although such authorization will be at The Current's sole discretion, The Current will work in good faith with us in response to such requests. While I and my child hope that Photos and Articles will be used by The Current and The Current hopes to be able to use Articles as contemplated in this Release, I and my child understand that Photos and Articles may not be used, and The Current is not obligated to make any use of the rights granted herein.

VI. I represent and warrant that my child's Articles are and will be original work to him/her that have not been previously published. I and my child hereby assign and transfer to The Current any and all rights, including without limitation copyright, in the Articles, and I represent and warrant that I and my child have all rights necessary to make the grant of rights in the Articles and Photos contained herein.

VII. I hereby release The Current and its affiliates and authorized representatives, as well as their officers, directors and employees ("Released Entities"), on behalf of me and my child, from any and all actions, suits, claims and demands of any kind whatsoever, which either of us, our heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, had, now have or hereafter may have, by reason of any matter related to The Current and the activities described herein. Without limiting the foregoing, the Released Entities will not be held accountable for any accident or injury obtained while my child attends or travels to/from an event, function, or interview on behalf of The Current.

VIII. My child may be allowed to communicate with The Current directly via email or other media.

IX. I understand that The Current is not responsible for any child's behavior in the program and that if my child breaks The Current Guidelines (attached hereto as Exhibit A, and which I have read and acknowledge), I understand that my child's membership in the program may be terminated, provided The Current shall retain any and all rights in the Articles and Photos set forth herein.

I have read the above and agree with and give my consent to what it says

Signature of parent or guardian

Date

Print name

Address (Street, Town, State, Country, Zip code)

Signature of student

Date

Print name