



STAT Acknowledgement and Release of Liability for Communicable Disease

The Science Teachers Association of Texas (herein STAT) has taken preventative measures to reduce the spread of communicable disease, including, but not limited to, COVID-19 ("Communicable Disease") at CAST. However, I acknowledge that STAT cannot guarantee that I will not be exposed to or contract a Communicable Disease at the Event. Further, due to the nature of the facilities, services, and programs offered at this Event, I understand that attending the Event could increase my risk of contracting a Communicable Disease.

I agree to abide by all applicable COVID-19-related requirements, advisories, policies, procedures, and protocols of the hotel, conference venue, and STAT. STAT will follow the most restrictive scientific guidelines as may be suggested by the CDC, Texas Department of State Health Services, and any other health or governmental authority for the duration of my stay.

I understand the risk that I may be exposed to or infected by a Communicable Disease by attending the Event and that such exposure or infection may result in quarantine requirements, serious illness, permanent disability, and/or death. I further understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by a Communicable Disease at the Event may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to, STAT, its officers, employees, contractors, agents, representatives, sponsors, other participants, and any owners and lessors of premises used to conduct the Event ("Releasees"). I KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, BOTH KNOWN AND UNKNOWN, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES, and assume full responsibility for my participation in the Event.

In consideration of being allowed to participate in the Event, I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives, and next of kin, acknowledge and agree as follows:

I HEREBY RELEASE, COVENANT NOT TO SUE, DISCHARGE, AND HOLD HARMLESS the Releasees, with respect to any and all liabilities, claims, penalties, suits, demands, judgments, costs, interests, and expenses (including attorneys' fees and costs) arising from or relating to the illness, disability or death of myself (or any person who may contract a Communicable Disease, directly or indirectly, from me), as a direct or indirect result, in whole or in part, of a Communicable Disease, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

THIS WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY INCLUDES ANY CLAIMS BASED ON THE ACTIONS, OMISSIONS, OR NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES, WHETHER AN INFECTION OCCURS BEFORE, DURING, OR AFTER PARTICIPATION IN THE EVENT.