

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK AND RELEASE FROM LIABILITY**

**Catlin Gabel Challenge Course**

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please read carefully:

The Catlin Gabel Challenge Course sits on the hillside east of the track and soccer field. It consists of twelve different elements and is designed to challenge the comfort zone of students, require them to problem solve in groups, and challenge them physically in some instances. The course is facilitated by a trained adult and the course is inspected on a periodic basis as a way to minimize risk to participants.

Four of the elements involve traversing wires or structures that are more than 20 feet off the ground. Students in these elements will be belayed by teams of students as they negotiate the challenges above. Eight of the elements are 'low' elements and require the group to sort out challenges while not more than two or three feet off of the ground.

Students will have many opportunities to participate in challenge course sessions, whether it be through sports teams, global education groups, academic classes, clubs, or C&Cs.

It is possible that injuries could occur as a result of using the challenge course.

**I have read the above and understand that using the course involves risk. The facilitators are trained staff and faculty from the school. By signing below, I acknowledge the risks and I assume the risks. I release, discharge and agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Catlin Gabel School, its agents, officers, trustees, employees and the trip leaders from all claims and liability and for any loss or damage in any way connected with my son/daughter/ward's participation in the trip. This release includes claims and causes of action for personal injury, wrongful death, property damage that may result during my son/daughter/ward's participation in or travel to or from this activity. In case of accident, illness or other incapacity, I understand that I must pay medical and/or evacuation expenses, whether or not authorized by me. I understand and willingly agree to this release.**

**If any portion of this agreement is found by a court or other tribunal to be unenforceable, the remainder of the agreement nevertheless will remain in full force and effect.**

Parental signature: \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

Student signature \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_