



**INFORMED ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF AND CONSENT TO
FIELD TRIP HAZARDS AND RISKS**

I, _____, hereby acknowledge and certify that:
(student's name)

1. I understand that in connection with my voluntary enrollment in **Oceanography 101** I may participate in one or more field trips.
2. I understand that, although the college will take steps to foster field trip safety, there are risks inherent in many activities and there are significant levels of personal responsibility that I must assume for myself.
3. I understand that I am not permitted to use, and I specifically agree and declare that I will not use alcohol or drugs on any college-sponsored field activity.
4. I certify that I am in excellent health and that I have no medical, physical, or emotional impairments, conditions, or concerns which might inhibit my participation or jeopardize my safety or the safety of others while participating in field trips.
5. I understand that neither Bellevue Community College nor any of its agents or instructors serve as guardians or insurers of my safety, and that the college does not provide special insurance for my protection.
6. I understand that there are certain dangers associated with my participation in field trips, including accidents, illnesses, and any other harm, injury, or damage which may befall me as a result of **travel to, and participation in, any of several possible field trips to beach locations, oceanographic ships, research laboratories, and/or other program-related activities. Activities may involve driving to field trip sites, short walks, the examination of outcrops and tidepools, etc. Students must come prepared for poor weather conditions and use extreme caution when exploring the designated locations.**

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7. In case of an emergency, I request that the college contact:

Person _____

Address _____

Phone_(_____)_____

8. I certify that I am of lawful age and am competent to sign this statement of informed acknowledgment and consent. [If student is under 18 years of age, his/her parent(s) or legal guardian(s) must sign in addition to the student.]

9. I hereby voluntarily sign this document and knowingly assume the above-described risks associated with my participation in field trips.

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTOOD THIS STATEMENT OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND CONSENT BEFORE SIGNING IT. I CERTIFY UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON THAT THE FOREGOING IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

Student's Signature

Date & Location

Parent's/Guardian's Signature
required for students under age 18

Date & Location