

# MCCOOK PARK DISTRICT

## CHILD/MINOR OPEN GYM WAIVER

### January 1, 2026 – December 31, 2026

The McCook Park District is committed to conducting its recreation programs and activities in a safe manner and holds the safety of participants in high regard. The McCook Park District continually strives to reduce such risks and insists that all participants follow safety rules and instructions that are designed to protect the participants' safety. However, participants and parents/guardians of minors registering for this program/activity must recognize that there is an inherent risk of injury when choosing to participate in recreational activities/programs.

You are solely responsible for determining if you or your minor child/ward are physically fit and/or skilled for the activities contemplated by this agreement. It is always advisable; especially if the participant is pregnant, disabled in any way, or recently suffered an illness, injury or impairment, to consult a physician before undertaking any physical activity.

#### **WARNING OF RISK**

Recreational activities/programs are intended to challenge and engage the physical, mental, and emotional resources of each participant. Despite careful and proper preparation, instruction, medical advice, conditioning and equipment, there is still a risk of serious injury when participating in any recreational activity/program. Understandably, not all hazards and dangers can be foreseen. Depending on the particular activity, participants must understand that certain risks, dangers and injuries due to inclement weather, slipping, falling, poor skill level or conditioning, carelessness, horseplay, unsportsmanlike conduct, premises defects, inadequate or defective equipment, inadequate supervision, instruction, or officiating, and all other circumstances inherent to indoor and outdoor recreational activities/ programs exist. In this regard, it must be recognized that it is impossible for the McCook Park District to guarantee absolute safety.

#### **WAIVER AND RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK**

Please read this form carefully and be aware that in signing up and participating in this program/activity, you will be expressly assuming the risk of legal liability and waiving and releasing all claims for injuries, damages or loss which you or your minor child/ward might sustain as a result of participating in any and all activities connected with and associated with this program/activity (including transportation services/vehicle operation, when provided).

I recognize and acknowledge that there are certain risks of physical injury to participants in this program/activity, and I voluntarily agree to assume the full risk of any and all injuries, damages or loss, regardless of severity, that my minor child/ward or I may sustain as a result of said participation. I further agree to waive and relinquish all claims I or my minor child/ward may have (or accrue to me or my child/ward) as a result of participating in this program/activity against The McCook Park District, including its officials, agent, volunteers, and employees (herein after collectively referred as the District)

I do hereby fully release and forever discharge the District from any and all claims for injuries, damages, or loss that my minor child/ward or I may have or which may accrue to me or my minor child/ward and arising out of, connected with, or in any way associated with this program/activity.

**I have read and fully understand the above important information, warning or risk, assumption of risk, and waiver and release of all claims. If registering on-line or via fax, your on-line or facsimile signature shall substitute for and have the same legal effect as an original form signature.**

**(PRINT) Participant's Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

McCook Resident \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

#### **PARTICIPATION WILL BE DENIED**

**If the signature of an adult participant or parent/guardian and date are not on this waiver.**