Acknowledgement

I, ____________________________, understand that:

While visiting a foreign country or countries, the student will be expected to maintain a standard of behavior and integrity that will reflect positively on Confucius Institute Headquarters (Hanban), China, which is the sponsoring organization (hereafter referred as Hanban), the student’s university, family and the student.

The student and parent and guardian further understand and acknowledge that the student has a responsibility to obey the laws of the country being visited and to behave in a mature and appropriate manner. The student and family agree to conform to these standards and understand that if the student fails to do so the student shall be subject to discipline up to and including being sent home with no refund as well as criminal penalties if applicable.

The student, parents and guardian agree that the student shall not engage in any illegal activity, nor will the student engage in activities not in compliance with the academic spirit of this trip or that are detrimental to the learning experience of others.

I understand that Hanban, the sponsoring institution of this event and its officers, administrators, and other employees are not responsible for any of the following:
1. The safety of participants or eliminating risk from the off-campus study environments.
2. Monitoring or controlling all the daily personal decisions, choices, and activities of individual participants.
3. Preventing participants from engaging in illegal, dangerous, or unwise activities.
4. Assuming responsibility for the actions of persons not employed or otherwise engaged by the program sponsor for events beyond the control of the sponsor and its subcontractors, or for situations which arise due to failure of a participant to disclose pertinent information. If the Student, parent or guardian is unable to attend the pre-departure orientation sponsored by the lead faculty member, I will make arrangements to obtain and absorb the information contained therein before departure.

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Student Signature          Date          Parent’s Signature (if student is under 18)      Date
Below please find the Participation Terms and Conditions document, which all campers participating in the program were required to sign and submit. These Terms and Conditions apply solely to campers.

2014 CHINESE BRIDGE SUMMER CAMP for U.S. HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

PARTICIPATION TERMS AND CONDITIONS, RELEASE, AND WAIVER

You have agreed to participate in 2013 Chinese Bridge Summer Camp for U.S. High School Students organized by Confucius Institute Headquarters (Hanban), in China. In consideration of being permitted to participate in the Camp, you acknowledge and agree to the following:

1) Prior to your travel to China to participate in the Camp, you agree to:

   (a) Review the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of your country’s information concerning travel to and around China and become familiar with the risks and dangers of travel to and around China (including, but not limited to, the risks to your own health and personal safety posed by such travel);

   (b) Independently obtain a policy of comprehensive health and accident insurance which provides coverage for injuries and illnesses you sustain or experience during your participation in the Camp, including (but not limited to) medical evacuation from China;

   (c) Consult a medical practitioner to ensure that:

      i. you have no medical conditions that would prevent international travel;

      ii. Your vaccinations and immunizations are up to date;

      iii. You are mentally and physically capable of engaging in strenuous activity
overseas (including, but not limited to, walking long distances, climbing stairs, carrying luggage and/or backpacks, lengthy bus and van trips, and withstanding outdoor climate conditions).

(d) Not participate in the Camp if your medical practitioner advises that participation presents a direct threat to your health and safety, or the health and safety of others;

(e) Report to the Confucius Institute or Hanban at least thirty (30) days prior to your departure for China, any physical or mental condition you have which may require special medical attention or accommodation during your participation in the Camp (it being understood that such notice does not obligate the Confucius Institute or Hanban to provide such attention or accommodation

(f) (FOR STUDENT) Obtain all necessary approvals from your school to participate in the Camp, ensure that your participation does not present a conflict of interest or a violation of your fiduciary or ethical duties to your school or to any state or local government or third party, and confirm that your participation in the Camp is consistent with all applicable laws, regulations, codes, and standards of your school (including, but not limited to, applicable rules and standards pertaining to monetary and non-monetary gifts or benefits).

2) During your participation in the Camp, you agree to:

(a) Comply with the rules, instructions, and guidelines issued or communicated by Camp officials or representatives regarding personal and professional conduct, safety and security, and operational procedures;

(b) Comply with all applicable laws and regulations, including (but not limited to) laws pertaining to immigration, customs, and entry/exit of foreigners;

(c) Not engage in any unlawful or potentially dangerous activities;
(d) Treat everyone with dignity and civility, and not engage in any form of discrimination, harassment, or other inappropriate conduct toward others;

(e) Conduct yourself in a courteous, professional, and business-like manner;

(f) Permit Camp officials or representatives to photograph, videotape, and interview you in connection with Camp activities and you hereby consent to Hanban’s use of your name and any photographs, videotape, and/or interviews of you.

3) You understand and agree that Hanban:

(a) Reserve the right to make changes to the travel itinerary (including departure/return dates) at any time and for any reason, with or without notice, and Hanban shall not be responsible for transportation carrier penalties, re-booking fees, fare changes, missed carrier connections, dishonors of hotel, airline, or vehicle reservations, or for any loss whatsoever to you by reason of any such change to the travel itinerary (including, but not limited to, any other travel arrangements affected by such changes);

(b) Has no responsibility for any costs and expenses that you incur during any of your pre-Camp stay in China or post-Camp extension of your stay in China for personal or other reasons;

(c) Has no responsibility for your costs and expenses if you depart early from the Camp;

(d) Has no responsibility or liability to you, in whole or in part, for:

i. sickness, disease, or injuries sustained by you in connection with your travel and participation in the Camp, or for medical treatment and/or furnishing special medical attention or accommodation while in China, or for any expenses you may incur for the purposes of obtaining insurance or obtaining treatment for injuries and illnesses you sustain in connection with your
participation in the Camp;

ii. Any loss whatsoever to you by reason of weather, strikes, natural disaster, war, quarantine, civil unrest, public health risks, terrorism, and criminal activity within China and in transit to/from China (including, but not limited to, theft, vandalism, and fraud);

iii. Any loss of your baggage and personal property, which you agree is transported at your own risk;

iv. Your failure to hold a valid passport, or your denial of entry/exit in China;

v. Your personal costs associated with your presence in China (including, but not limited to, your personal telephone costs and other costs that Hanban has not agreed in writing to cover);

vi. Cancellation of the Delegation prior to departure or early termination of the Camp after departure.

4) Hanban, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to decline to accept or retain you in the Camp at any time should your actions or behavior impede the operation of the Camp or the rights or welfare of any person. Similarly, if your conduct violates any policy or procedure of the Camp, or any applicable law or regulation, you may be required to leave the Camp in the sole discretion of Camp officials or representatives.

5) You, individually, and on behalf of your heirs, successors, assigns, and personal representatives, hereby agrees to release and forever discharge, indemnify, defend and hold harmless Hanban, and each of Hanban’s divisions, affiliates, or subsidiaries, and each or any officer, director, trustee, employee, or agent of any of the foregoing, and their respective successors and assigns, from and against claims, demands, actions, liabilities, injuries, expenses, and damages (including attorneys’ fees and litigation costs, and direct, indirect, incidental, consequential, or special or
exemplary damages) resulting from, arising out of, or related to, your participation in the Camp, or any related or independent travel or activities, whether or not caused by the actions or omissions of the Hanban.

6) You agree that this document is to be construed under the laws of the People’s Republic of China, and that if any portion hereof is held invalid, the balance hereof shall continue in full force and effect. In signing this document you hereby acknowledge that you have read this entire document, that you understand its terms, and that you are bound by its terms.

Signature: _______________________________________

Print Name: _______________________________________

Date: _______________________________________