

Dear Students and Parents/Guardians:

At the SC Governor's School for the Arts and Humanities, we are very proud of our students' activities and accomplishments, and we strive to share their positive news and experiences with the general public via press releases, social media, newsletters, and our school website. Periodically, we receive requests from the media to speak to our students about their accomplishments or regarding a school related topic.

The Office of Public Relations takes great care to share our students' stories and information in a responsible manner. Generally, the school will provide the student's name, a photo of the student (either a headshot or involved in an activity), home county or hometown, and previous high school, among other details that the student may volunteer. This hometown information is vital to having your local news run the student's story.

Please take a moment to review the Public Information Release form detailing how the school may use your child's image, accomplishments, quotes and/or information. This document gives the Governor's School permission to photograph, feature or highlight your child for publicity purposes—always in the best possible way to promote our talented students and increase awareness for the school. Your student's information will never be shared with unrelated third parties or intentionally used in a way that may damage his or her reputation or image. Please know that every accomplishment is important to us, but depending on our event calendar and school news cycle, not all achievements will be publicized.

We completely understand that for some students, releasing their names or photos may pose a safety concern or other issue. If you do not provide consent for your child to be included in school publicity, please know that he or she will be excluded from all group photos the Office of PR takes at events or with classmates or friends, and his or her name will not be included in public mentions of school related honors or activities.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns with giving the Governor's School permission to use your student's information in this manner.

Sincerely,

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SCGSAH Public Information Release

I hereby grant to the SC Governor's School for the Arts and Humanities (the school), and others acting on its behalf, the right to record my student's image, voice, and work using audio, photographic, and video technologies, and to use these recordings in all manners including advertising, trade, display, editorial, art, training, public information productions, press releases, social media, website, and any other productions approved by the school. I further grant the school the right to use any such productions. I hereby waive all rights of any nature in such recording(s) and the exhibition thereof.

It is understood that this release includes the right to use, reproduce, distribute, and exhibit such photographic, video, and audio productions in any and all media throughout the world, without limitation, and authorizes those designated by the school to do so. It is further understood that this grant is provided at no cost to the school and that no further compensation of any kind shall be due or expected.

I affirm, represent, and warrant that I have the right, power, authority, and ability to enter into this release agreement and perform all actions in connection herewith, and that I am not under any contract or other arrangements with any person or entity which would interfere with any aspect of my performance under this release agreement, or diminish its value to the school; I hereby indemnify the school against any and all loss, claims, attorney's fees, costs, damage or expenses of any kind whatsoever, which may incur in connection with a breach of my student's representations, warranties, or agreement herein, and this indemnification shall extend to any disputes involving any parties.

This form is for Public Information purposes only.
Please see your Student Handbook for official FERPA information.