

COMFORT ANIMAL AGREEMENT

Owner's Name: _____ Comfort Animal's Name: _____

Site: _____ Type/Breed: _____

Instructor's Name: _____

License Number: _____ Licensing Agency: _____

I understand that per state law (RCW 16.08.040), the owner of any dog which will bite any person while such person is in or on a public place or lawfully in or on a private place including the property of the owner of such dog, will be liable for such damages as may be suffered by the person bitten, regardless of the former viciousness of such dog or the owner's knowledge of such viciousness.

If the comfort animal is a dog, and because I have care, custody and control of the dog, I am assuming the responsibilities of a dog owner. I understand that I am strictly liable personally for the damage inflicted on any persons injured or harmed by the dog physically or emotionally in any manner. I will provide proof of homeowner's or other appropriate liability insurance with a liability limit of at least \$1,000,000 as evidence of my financial responsibility.

I will indemnify, defend, protect and hold the Northwest Educational Service District 189 (NWESD 189), its directors, officials, employees and volunteers harmless from any and all claims, injuries, damages, causes of action, costs (including attorney fees), suits or judgments arising out of the injuries and damages in connection with training or use of a comfort animal in and outside of NWESD 189 property.

I will provide proof that the comfort animal is properly licensed, and has received an annual health check and is current on all vaccinations. I will also make sure that the comfort animal has received regular flea treatment, and is groomed and bathed frequently. The comfort animal's waste will be promptly and properly cleaned up by the owner or the instructor on school property. A waste scoop and disposal bags will be carried at all times. Urine inside the building will be promptly and properly cleaned up by the owner or the instructor.

I agree to follow the applicable leash laws. The comfort animal will not be unattended at any time while on NWESD 189 property. The comfort animal's behavior in public will be properly maintained.

I understand that should any student or adult bring forward health concerns (e.g., allergies) that result from exposure to the comfort animal, the NWESD 189 may revoke permission for this animal. In addition, the NWESD 189 may revoke permission at any time for non-compliance with any rule in this Agreement, or when a complaint about a comfort animal for causing problems is submitted.

Signature

Date

Risk Management

- Site Administrator's concurrence _____
- Proof of liability insurance, expiration: _____
- Proof of animal license, expiration: _____
- Certificate of veterinary inspection, date: _____
- Proof of current vaccinations, next required
vaccination: _____

Risk Manager Signature

Date