### **OHIO SEA GRANT AND STONE LABORATORY**

# Consent Form 2015

#### Complete this form, then print, sign, scan and upload it to your application.

#### CERTIFICATION IMPORTANT! READ STATEMENT AND SIGN BELOW.

I affirm that the information that I have provided on the 2015 Stone Lab Application and any other information that I have submitted or will submit to The Ohio State University in connection with the admission and financial aid process is complete and accurate and is my own work. I understand that submission of incomplete or inaccurate information is sufficient cause for revocation of admission or enrollment.

I authorize each academic institution I have attended to release my academic and personal information to The Ohio State University in connection with the admission and financial aid process. Pursuant to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, as amended (FERPA), I hereby authorize The Ohio State University to release the information provided by me, as well as other official and unofficial Ohio State information regarding my academic progress and status, to scholarship donors for the purpose of providing the donors with information concerning my eligibility as a scholarship recipient.

Applicant Legal Signature	Parent/Guardian Legal Signature (if applicant is under 18 years old)	Date
X	X	

PERSONAL (Describe any physical limitations or health problems. Use supplemental sheet if necessary)

Are you able to perform the duties/tasks associated with field excursions? "Field excursions" may include, but are not limited to, traveling and working on a large research vessel with limited seating, walking in streams, hiking on potentially rocky terrain, and wading in hip to chest deep water.

Yes No If no, please explain. Use supplemental sheet if necessary.

Do you need to request accommodations due to the impact of a disability? A disability can include a physical or mobility limitation, a sensory limitation with vision/ hearing /touch/smell/taste, a learning disability, a psychiatric condition, a communication disorder such as Autism Spectrum Disorder, ADHD, etc. If yes, you will be contacted by Stone Lab staff with instructions on how to register with the OSU Office of Disability Services which will assess your request. (Office of Disability Services 614-292-3307 or ODS@osu.edu)

#### PHOTO RELEASE

I give The Ohio State University permission to publish in print, electronic, or video format the likeness or image of myself. I release all claims against the University with respect to copyright ownership and publication, including any claim for compensation related to use of the materials. I CERTIFY THAT I AM AT LEAST 18 YEARS OLD, AND THAT I HAVE READ, UNDERSTAND, AND AGREE TO BE BOUND BY THIS RELEASE.

Applicant Signature	Date
X	
Parent/Guardian Signature (if applicant is under 18 years old)	Date
X	

#### HOUSING & COMMUNITY STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

All applicants must sign the following statement: I agree to abide by the Community Standards of Conduct as published in the Stone Laboratory Handbook while participating in the program (*go.osu.edu/SLconduct*).

Applicant Signature	Date
x	
Parent/Guardian Signature (if applicant is under 18 years old)	Date
Y	







#### 2015 REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE AND RELEASE FROM LIABILITY

I hereby request permission to enroll in course(s) and participate in activities offered through F.T. Stone Laboratory's 2015 summer program. I am aware that such enrollment may involve participating in activities that could present a risk of injury or serious bodily harm. Examples of such activities include:

- a.) observing or collecting organisms, including wild and possibly poisonous plants and animals;
- b.) using field and lab equipment, including sharp-edged, high-voltage, and boat-deployed equipment;
- c.) crossing rough terrain and other vigorous activities;
- d.) boating and other aquatic activities;
- e.) participating in field trips and related transportation.

I acknowledge that I am not required to enroll in such course(s) or participate in such activities but have voluntarily chosen to do so at my own risk. I have had the opportunity to ask questions about the content of the course(s) and the nature and potential risks or hazards of activities associated with Stone Lab's summer program, and to have them addressed to my satisfaction. I certify that I am able to safely participate in such coursework and/or activities offered by Stone Lab and agree to comply with all safety rules and instructions provided by employees or agents of the University.

In consideration for the University's permission to enroll in such course(s) and/or participate in such activities, I herby hold harmless and release, for the participant and/or myself, as well as my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, The Ohio State University and its employees, agents, officers, and trustees from liability for injury, loss, or damage of any kind suffered by the participant during coursework or activities related in any way to Stone Lab. I understand that this means that I am giving up the right to seek legal action against Ohio State for any such injury, loss, or damage.

## I CERTIFY THAT I AM AT LEAST 18 YEARS OLD AND THAT I HAVE READ, UNDERSTAND, AND AGREE TO BE BOUND BY THE FOREGOING RELEASE

Applicant Signature	Date
X	
Parent/Guardian Signature (if applicant is under 18 years old)	Date
X	

#### PARENTAL STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

Dear Parents,

Stone Laboratory, on the 6.5-acre Gibraltar Island, is Ohio State University's Island Campus and the oldest freshwater biological field station in the country. Stone Laboratory offers a wonderful learning experience that your son or daughter is likely to remember for the rest of his/her life. While life on an island and around the water can be very stimulating and a lot of fun, the courses offered at the Laboratory are college credit courses for which students will receive a grade. The courses are mentally and physically challenging, and the class schedule is demanding—8:00 AM to 4:00 PM daily, plus a couple of hours of required evening sessions. Class attendance is mandatory. Island residents throughout the summer include the laboratory manager, faculty members, research scientists, and graduate students, and we encourage the younger students to ask questions and learn from them.

While there are always adults on Gibraltar Island, students are on their own much of the time when not in class. It is up to them to decide when and how much to study and when to go to bed. No one will wake them to be sure they get to breakfast and/or to class on time. Your son or daughter will be assigned a room with up to three roommates (two sets of bunk beds), and they are expected to sleep in that room. During free time in the evening, students may decide to row or take a water taxi from Gibraltar Island to the village of Put-in-Bay or the surrounding area. All students under 18 years of age have a curfew that requires them to be back on Gibraltar Island by 10:00 PM. Once on Gibraltar, there are no bed checks and it is not uncommon to find students working in their classrooms after 11:00 PM.

Having said all this, I must add that most students consider their time at the Laboratory as one of the most valuable parts of their academic careers.

Sincerely,

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Jeff M. Reuth

Jeffrey M. Reutter, Ph.D.

My son/daughter and I understand and accept the information provided above regarding his/her participation in courses at Stone Laboratory.

Parent/Guardian Signature (required for all high school applicants regardless of age)

Date

PLEASE SIGN FOR YOUR HIGH SCHOOL SON/DAUGHTER REGARDLESS OF HIS/HER AGE.