Safety & Liability Guidelines – Adult & Continuing Education Programs

Safety Guidelines for Gathering in Groups: The Arboretum’s COVID-19 safety precautions are in line with recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control, the North Carolina Department of Health & Human Services, the Buncombe County Department of Health, and the City of Asheville.

Here are some ways we encourage participants to take precautions:

- Consider testing yourself at home before departing, regardless of how you feel.
- Proactively monitor yourself and stay home if you are experiencing symptoms associated with COVID-19 or any illness or if you have been notified of possible exposure.
- Be up to date with your COVID-19 vaccines.

We encourage all participants to make conscious, courteous decisions based on your own and others’ wishes and needs for safety.

Liability - By participating in Adult Education Programs, you:

- Acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk of being exposed to or infected by COVID-19.
- Accept such risks and volunteer to participate with full understanding of the dangers involved. By participating in programs, you waive and release the Arboretum, its employees, agents, officers, and representatives from any and all claims, costs, liability, and expense for any injury, loss, or damage whether known, anticipated, or unanticipated arising from your voluntary visit and/or program participation.

Note that these guidelines are subject to change as Arboretum policies are revised and as local, state and CDC recommendations are revised. We will keep you informed and current as possible.

Contact adulteducation@ncarboretum.org with questions or concerns.
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