



Observation of Controlled Burn at the LISD Center for a Sustainable Future Authorization, Consent, and Waiver of Liability

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Background Information:

The Lenawee Intermediate School District (LISD) TECH Center's Natural Resources career and technical education program would like to undertake a controlled burn in cooperation with the Adrian Township Fire Department. The controlled burn would occur at the LISD Center for a Sustainable Future (CSF). The controlled burn is preliminarily scheduled for ___ April 19th or 26th 2025_____, however, weather and/or other conditions may necessitate changes to the scheduled date and/or time of the burn.

The purpose of the burn is to maintain the native grassland habitat that was installed at the LISD CSF in 2014. Ecosystems such as this are frequently managed with the use of fire. The plants in this plot are adapted to grow better when burned occasionally, and without such management other plants start to encroach. The native grassland habitat is already experiencing many undesirable woody shrubs, which will likely not survive a burn.

Although the LISD and Adrian Township Fire Department will take all appropriate precautions in the planning and execution of the controlled burn, certain risks exist with the involvement of fire. This includes but is not limited to the risk of bodily injury up to and including death.

Because of the potential risks associated with observing a controlled burn, the LISD requires parent/guardian authorization, consent, and waiver of liability. If you consent please complete and return this form to Dr. Carley Kratz, Natural Resources Instructor at Carley.Kratz@lisd.us.

Authorization, Consent, and Waiver of Liability:

I, the undersigned, understand and agree that I may observe a controlled burn at the LISD CSF, and that through observing the controlled burn, I may be exposed to risk, including, but not limited to, bodily injury up to and including death. I understand and acknowledge any and all risks associated with my observation of the controlled burn, including, but not limited to, the risk of personal injury, and, to the maximum extent allowable by law, I agree to hold the LISD, its Board of Education, administrators, employees, students, agents, and other representatives and Adrian Township, River Raisin Watershed Council, its Board of Trustees, elected and appointed officials, employees, agents, and other representatives harmless from liability of any kind arising out of the observation of the controlled burn. I understand and agree that by signing this waiver of liability, I, for myself and my heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, have voluntarily and with full knowledge of the rights I am releasing have given up the right to sue the LISD its Board of Education, administrators, employees, students, agents, and other representatives and Adrian Township, River Raisin Watershed Council, its Board of Trustees, elected and appointed officials, employees, agents, and other representatives for damages of any kind arising from my student's observation of the controlled burn.

Signature

Date

Printed Name