

# **BETA LAMBDA EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTE HBCU COLLEGE TOUR WAIVER Informed Consent/Release of Liability (“Release”)**

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization and remains a constant health and safety threat. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. As a result, federal, state, and local governments and federal and state health agencies recommend social distancing, the wearing of facial coverings, receiving a vaccination and have, in some locations, continue to prohibit the congregation of groups of people.

Beta Lambda Educational Institute, a Missouri non-profit corporation (“BLEI”) is hosting a tour of historically black colleges and universities from March 20, 2022 – March 26, 2022 (the “Tour”) and has enacted policies, procedures and preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19 during the Tour, including, but not limited to requiring all students participating in the tour to show proof of vaccination from COVID-19, cleaning and safety measures on the bus and other means of transportation and wearing masks while in all public spaces and close proximities. Full vaccination can be shown by providing a copy of the CDC issued Vaccination Card showing your child’s name, Date of vaccination, Location/Site of vaccination and type of vaccine taken. Acceptable vaccines include Moderna, Johnson & Johnson or Phyzer. Notwithstanding the safety measures employed by BLEI, BLEI cannot guarantee that your child will not become infected with COVID-19.

By signing this agreement, I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that my child and I may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by attending the Tour, and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and/or death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 during the Tour may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of my child and others, including, but not limited to, BLEI volunteers, agents, and other children participating in the Tour. I voluntarily agree to assume all the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury to my child or myself (including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability and death), illness, damage, loss, liability or expense, of any kind, that I or my child may experience or incur in connection with my child’s participation in the Tour (“Claims”). On my behalf, and on behalf of my child, I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless BLEI, its board of directors, volunteers, agents and representatives, of and from the Claims, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto. I understand and agree that this release includes any Claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of BLEI, its board of directors, volunteers, agents and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during or after my child’s attendance on the Tour.

The undersigned hereby expressly agrees that this Informed Consent and Waiver is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the laws of the State of Missouri, and that if any portion hereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect.

I certify that I have read the above Informed Consent and Release and have had any questions answered to my satisfaction. I sign it voluntarily with full knowledge of its legal significance and understand that I have the right to have my attorney review it. I am 18 years of age or older.

Child Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Legal Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_