

# Kids Club

Animal Friends

## Policies and Permission

### *1. Sign-In and Sign-Out Policy*

For safety reasons, all club members must be signed in by their parent/guardian in the Animal Friends classroom. Club members may be signed in no earlier than ten minutes before the beginning of the meeting.

Club members must be signed out by their parent/guardian in the Animal Friends classroom. Club members must be signed out no later than ten minutes past the end of the meeting. Club members may only be signed out by a person other than the parent/guardian if that person is listed on the student's application. That person should be prepared to show photo identification.

### *2. Attendance and Participation Agreement*

Club members are required to attend monthly meetings. There are more students who would like to become members than we can accommodate per school year. Therefore, we want the members to be those kids who can commit to the club for the school year.

If a member is ill or a family emergency otherwise prevents the child from attending, the parent is expected to email or leave a voicemail message for the Education Coordinator, prior to the meeting, to let her know that the child cannot attend.

Children who miss three meetings in one school year will not be eligible to re-join the club the following school year.

### *3. Behavior Expectations*

- Club members will respect Animal Friends' animals, staff members, and volunteers.
- Club members will respect Animal Friends' property and facility.
- Club members will use appropriate language.
- Club members will keep their hands/feet to themselves.
- Club members will use "inside voices" and "walking feet."
- Club members will follow directions given by Animal Friends staff members and volunteers.
- Club members will not use electronic devices (cell phone conversations, texting, iPods) during club time.

*Consequences may include:*

- loss of privilege of interacting with animal(s)
- parent phone call
- removal from the club





#### *4. Dress Code*

Club members will wear their Kids' Club t-shirts to each meeting. Because we may be holding animals on our laps, club members should wear pants that fall below the knee. Because we may be participating in physical activities, children should wear comfortable, closed-toe shoes.

#### *5. Photo/Media Release*

As my child's parent or legal guardian, I hereby give my child permission to participate in Kids' Club meetings at the Caryl Gates Gluck Resource Center at Animal Friends during the upcoming school year.

I permit my child to be: (Please check all that apply)

- Photographed
- Interviewed
- Videotaped
- Sound Recorded
- Quoted
- None of the Above

by Animal Friends staff, reporters from newspaper, radio and/or television and/or to have any of the information used by Animal Friends to publicize and/or report on the Kids' Club.

#### *6. Release from Liability*

I also hereby release Animal Friends, their administration, employees, agents and volunteers from any claim or action whatsoever for damage, loss or injury suffered by my child, or by me, or any claim brought against my child or me arising as a result of my child's participation in said program, publicity or reporting activity.

Parent or Legal Guardian:

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Print Name

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Signature

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Date