

PARENT TREK COVENANT & PERMISSION

- DUE AT INFORMATION NIGHT -

I. PURPOSE of the Trek

To provide an opportunity for both teachers and students to:

1. Participate in the construction of a buildOn school in one of the buildOn project countries;
2. Be immersed in, and learn about a new and different culture;
3. Return the knowledge gained from the Trek experience to their classrooms, programs, and communities.

II. PARENT/GUARDIAN Responsibilities

Now that your child/ward has been accepted as a Trek team member, the buildOn Staff would like to ensure that you understand the commitment that your child/ward is making and the kind of support they will need. By signing this covenant, the buildOn Staff trusts that you will work to the best of your ability to support your Trek participant as outlined below.

buildOn Parent/Guardian will:

- Attend Parent Information Night (required).
- Attend final hour of Pre-Trek 3 (highly recommended).
- Ensure participant submits a complete and accurate passport application at a minimum of 8 weeks prior to departure.
- Ensure participant visits a doctor and receives all necessary immunizations and malaria prophylaxis before departure
- Ensure participant attends ALL 3 Pre-Trek Workshops and ONE Post-Trek Workshop.
- Ensure participant has timely transportation to and from the airport and Pre/Post Trek events
- Ensure participant has all the packing supplies needed as outlined in the Trek Guide.
- Inform Trek Coordinator of any concerns regarding the physical, mental and emotional health of the participant.
- Support active involvement in your participant's school buildOn Program (both before and after Trek).
- Support the participant in the completion of AT LEAST EIGHT "Bringing it Home" points on their Trek experience.
- Support the participant in the completion AT LEAST 50 hours of local community service in the following school year with buildOn

I, the undersigned, agree to the above-mentioned conditions as my responsibilities as a Parent/Guardian of a participant on a buildOn Trek. Additionally, I understand that buildOn reserves the right to remove my child from the team at any time if it is determined by buildOn Staff that my child has not met buildOn's expectations as outlined in the Student Covenant.

Please read the permission for your student to attend Pre Trek workshops, release and disclaimer statements below. If you agree to the terms set forth below, please sign your name and fill out the information where indicated below.

Permission:

I give permission for my child/ward to participate in the projects described above and all related activities. I authorize buildOn, Inc. to use written or oral quotations, photographed, filmed, taped or electronically recorded images of my child/ward by any media, platform or format, without restriction in connection with my child/ward's participation in buildOn's programs and projects. In case of emergency, I give permission to buildOn to enlist the help of medical professionals. I understand buildOn will try to reach me. If I cannot be reached, I give permission to the medical personnel selected by buildOn to hospitalize and secure proper treatment (e.g. order injections, anesthesia or surgery) for my child/ward.

Release: I hereby release and hold harmless buildOn, its officers, directors, employees, volunteers, advisors, successors and assigns and the State Board of Education and its members, officers, employees and agents from any and all claims, causes of action, liabilities, costs, expenses, or damages of any kind whatsoever, as a result of, or in connection with the project and related activities.

Disclaimer: I understand and agree **(1)** that buildOn is not responsible for the personal property of participants, **(2)** buildOn staff are not certified or trained to give medical treatment, and **(3)** buildOn is not responsible for participants during transit to and from the project location.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Name of Student Participant