

BLANKET CONSENT FOR EDUCATION OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM (EOTC)

Education Outside The Classroom (EOTC) is the name given to all events/activities that occur outside the classroom, both on and off the Spotswood College campus. Under the Health & Safety at Work Act 2015 (HSWA), a person conducting a business or undertaking is classified as a PCBU. This includes entities created by legislation which includes all educational institutions. Spotswood College is a PCBU and must comply with the Act. Spotswood College believes in providing a wide range of environments and experiences to enhance our student's learning.

All EOTC events require staff to be aware of the risks and management strategies and to comply with the Spotswood College EOTC policy. Students must also learn how to stay safe. It is the right and responsibility of the Event Leader to ensure the safety of all people under his/her responsibility. If there is any risk during any activity, the Event Leader may end an activity or event, or remove any person from further participation in that event at short or no notice.

The Ministry of Education' (MOE) EOTC guidelines identify four types of EOTC activity groups. Parental/Caregiver consent must be given for all EOTC activities. The type of consent depends on the level of the activity.

Type of event	Description (The local community means within the 50km speed limit)
A	On-site in the school grounds during school hours/weekends/holidays
B	Off-site events in the local community occurring during school hours
C	Off-site events that finish after school finishes
D	Off-site overnight events

EXAMPLES OF LOW LEVEL ACTIVITIES

There are many activities/events where the risk is assessed to be no greater than that associated with the activities undertaken by the average family. These activities can be covered by Blanket consent at the time of enrolment. This will reduce the number of slips required. Spotswood College has deemed the following events as low risk that can be covered by a blanket consent:-

A. On-site in the College grounds-Low Risk environments:

* Class lessons held outside * Sports fixtures * Practices for Performing Arts, * Music and Sport

B. Off-site in the local community occurring during school hours-Low Risk environments

* New Plymouth based TSSSA events * Locally based Sports fixtures * Visits to Library/Puke Ariki Museum * Senior Geography CBD research * Mathematics Expo & Quiz * Science Fair & Quiz * Spelling Bee/Oratory/Debating/Mooting * Event Cinemas * TSB Showplace/4th Wall Theatre/Little Theatre * Careers Expo * TSB Stadium/Aquatic Centre/Bowlarama * NPDC Chambers/Courthouse * Music competitions/Festivals/Workshops * Visits to other schools, WITT * Art exhibitions/Govett-Brewster/Len Lye * Local Biology field trips

C. Off-site in the local community that finish after school finishes-Low Risk environments

* TSB Showplace * NP Courthouse * Musical events(Rockquest) * Performing Arts events(Dance & Drama) * Mathematics/Science quiz * Sports fixtures * Cultural activities(Kapa Haka).

Any changes to the above information will be available on the College website.

TRANSPORTATION-Student Driven vehicles:

The current Board of Trustees Policy with regards students who transport themselves to and from events is that they must comply with the conditions of their New Zealand Driver's licence.

Students **ARE NOT** permitted to transport any other students.

AQUATIC ACTIVITIES:

Other than during PE classes or the College Swimming sports **ALL** Aquatic Events/activities will require separate consent documentation.

EVENT NOTIFICATION:

The Event Leader will provide students with a Letter to Parents/Caregivers for **ALL** Spotswood College EOTC events/activities in which their son/daughter will be participation in regardless of the level of Risk.

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I/We agree to the participation of _____(Student name) taking part in Low-Risk activities as detailed in sections A-B-C-D while he/she is an enrolled student at Spotswood College.

EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS & MEDICAL INFORMATION:

I/We have provided the College with up to date emergency contact details and medical information relating to my/our son/daughter and agree that I/We will always make every endeavour to keep this information up-to-date.

Name: _____ **Mobile No:** _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Name: _____ **Mobile No:** _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____