

STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

Students Name: _____

JSP 2023 Session: _____

Boat: _____

The sailing course you are about to begin is an exciting and demanding challenge, and you need to be aware of what will be involved in the course and be willing to study and practice to achieve success.

The *Medical Information and Consent* and the *Statement of Understanding* forms must be completed and **signed by you and your parents or guardian.**

A swim test is required of all students on the first day of class that consists of swimming in normal sailing clothing and deck or boat shoes in the waters along the dock. Under instructor supervision and approval, the student will swim parallel to our dock, 25 yards without a personal floatation device (PFD), and while treading water must be able to put on and remove a PFD. You should provide your own U.S. Coast Guard approved Type II or III PFD for your proper weight and size. The PFD needs to be form fitting and comfortable as you will be wearing it at all times during the course. If you do not have a Type II or Type III PFD, you may be able to borrow one from the museum's Junior Sailing Program. Please contact the Program Registrar to make arrangements.

Boat or tennis shoes will be worn at all times. **Sandals, flip-flops and similar footwear are unacceptable since they do not properly protect your feet and toes.** Boat or tennis shoes with soft, non-skid soles and toe bumpers, uppers of fabric or leather, with tied lacing are acceptable. Boat or tennis shoes assist in preventing injuries from slipping on wet surfaces, cutting feet on broken glass and oyster shells, and stubbing or breaking toes.

To be more comfortable in your environment, bring a change of clothing, a towel, and a bag in which to keep your belongings. For health and safety, bring sunglasses and croakie, a hat or visor, sunscreen and a water bottle. Don't forget your PFD and deck shoes. Other supplies you may need are a notebook and two pencils. Put your name on all items you bring to class.

Student Agreement

I understand that in entering this sailing course I agree to obey all program rules as set forth by the Friends of the N.C. Maritime Museum's Junior Sailing Committee, the instructors, parents' liaison and museum staff; that I will use the utmost care in the use of boats and equipment; and I will not engage in any horseplay or other disruptive behavior. I understand that failure to attend classes, arrive promptly, and abide by the rules may result in my suspension from the program.

Student's Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Agreement

I/We have read the student information booklet. I/We understand the content of this statement and agree to see that our child adheres to the program rules; to assume the obligation for the expenses of repair and/or replacement of program equipment that is attributable to my (our) child's reckless or irresponsible behavior; and to make an appointment for a parent-child-instructor conference if requested.

I grant the Friends of the Museum, NC Maritime Museum, Inc. (The Friends) the right to take photographs and/or video of me and my children in connection with promotional efforts of The Friends.

I authorize The Friends its assigns and transferees to copyright, use and publish the same in print and/or electronically. I agree that The Friends may use such photographs of me and my children with or without my name and for any lawful purpose.

Parent's/ Legal Guardian's Signature _____ Date _____