

Neuse Charter School, while understanding it is the parent's right and prerogative to allow their individual children to walk to and from Neuse Charter School ("School"), strongly discourages this practice for the safety of our students and their families. However, if a particular family still wants their child or children to walk to or from school, the School will require each family to follow the guidelines listed below and sign this waiver and release.

Children must have this form completed, initialed, and signed by **both parents/ guardians** before they will be allowed to walk to/ from school or other after-school locations. For safety reasons, we strongly recommend that your child not be allowed to walk alone.

Student's Name:	Gender:	Grade:	Birthdate:
Reason to be a Walker:			Length of time to be a Walker:

## **Guidelines:**

- Students in the Upper Academy may walk home to a location within a one-mile radius of the campus.
- Students in the Lower Academy may only walk home when accompanied by another student in grades 6-12 or an adult who picks them up and walks with them.
- Students must utilize sidewalks where available and follow traffic guidelines from the NCDOT.

## Both parents must initial each of the statements below:

\_\_\_\_\_By signing this waiver, I am aware that by allowing my child to walk or ride a bike to/from school, I assume the responsibility for certain dangers that may occur. These include, but are not limited to, the hazards of accidents, illness, injury, inclement weather, abduction, illegal substances, and death.

\_\_\_\_\_\_I understand and do hereby assume all of the above-mentioned risks, will hold Neuse Charter School, including but not limited to its Board of Directors, officers, agents, employees, contractors, volunteers and all staff, harmless from any and all liability or claims whatsoever which may arise out of or in connection with my child walking to and from school. The terms thereof shall serve as a release and assumption of risks for my heirs, executor and administrators and for all members of my family.

\_\_\_\_\_\_I agree to waive all responsibility of Neuse Charter School, including but not limited to its Board of Directors, officers, agents, employees, contractors, volunteers and all staff, with respect to the safety and well- being of my child when walking to or from school. The School will be responsible only to see that my child reaches the predetermined and designated space and release point for those students allowed to walk to or from school. Once my child has reached this designated area, I understand that I further release SCHOOL, including but not limited to its Board of Directors, officers, agents, employees, contractors, volunteers and all staff from all responsibility to my child with regard to his or her safety and well-being.

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree to waive, release and hold harmless, the SCHOOL, including but not limited to its Board of Directors, officers, agents, employees, leadership, contractors, volunteers and all staff, as to any injury to my child, including death, once he/she is released from designated area, as well as hold the same harmless as to any activities, legal or otherwise, that have therefore become the responsibility of my child or me as parent of the individual child.

\_\_\_\_\_I agree to Indemnify Neuse Charter School, including but not limited to its Board of Directors, officers, agents, employees, contractors, volunteers and all staff of any and all litigation that results from my parental request for my child to walking to or from school.

\_\_\_\_\_\_I have read and understood all that is contained above, and while I understand Neuse Charter School, including but not limited to its Board of Directors, officers, agents, employees, contractors, volunteers and all staff, objection to children walking to or from school, I still, based on my wish to allow my child to walk to or from school, agree to waive, release, and hold harmless Neuse Charter School, including but not limited to its Board of Directors, officers, agents, employees, leadership, contractors, volunteers and all staff, and also agree that I will indemnify the same from all litigation that results from my parental wish to allow my child to walk to or from school.

\_\_\_\_\_By signing this waiver, the parent acknowledges that the child named above will walk directly to the designated location.

I have read this waiver, release and hold harmless agreement, fully understand its terms, understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing it, and sign it freely and voluntarily without any inducement.

Parent Name:	Parent Signature:	Date:
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