Student Community Standards

Virtual Programs

Our goal is to deliver fun and engaging virtual Summer Youth Programs (SYP) experiences. As a participant, you have shared responsibility in this, too! Please read the program expectations and community standards below with your parent or guardian and sign to indicate your willingness to abide by the rules and contribute positively to the program.

If you have questions about these community standards, please contact our office at 1-888-773-2655.

Attendance Requirements

- Attendance at all mandatory sessions via webcam so that you can participate with your peers and make the most of your experience. (Failure to attend will result in us contacting your parent/guardian immediately.)
- Come to each session ready to engage and be an active member of the program. Notify SYP Staff as soon as possible if anything will hinder your attendance/participation (i.e. illness, personal issue, technical difficulties, etc.)
- Share only appropriate virtual content and links with peers.
- Cell phones must be turned off and put away unless it is needed for your course. Our expectation is that your class session will be your main focus and other windows and web browsers should be closed.
- Appropriate backgrounds, which may include virtual backgrounds, should be displayed during program sessions. Michigan Tech does offer branded backgrounds that are available for download. (A link to these is available on through our website at mtu.edu/syp/plan/virtual).

Behavioral Requirements

- You must be courteous at all times and respectful of the rights and personal boundaries of both participants and instructors. Behavior including bullying, hazing, profanity, excessive disruption, or other disruptive conduct will not be tolerated. If you experience intimidation or bullying directed at you or someone else, you will report it to SYP staff.
- Discussion of, demonstration of, or reference to, underage smoking/vaping, possession of tobacco or e-cigarettes, alcohol, marijuana, illegal drugs or drug-related paraphernalia, and weapons of any kind are strictly prohibited and will result in your expulsion from the program at your own expense.
- You will follow the rules of social and network etiquette, which includes use of appropriate language and polite responses.
- You will not share your or anyone else’s home address, phone number, email, or sensitive information, plagiarize in any form, or violate copyright laws.
- Comply with all safety and well-being protocols required by your instructor where applicable.
Apparel Expectations
We expect that students are generally neat, clean, and appropriately dressed. While we do not have a detailed or highly prescriptive dress code, the following clothing items are not permitted during SYP (students may need to stand up and move around as part of their experience, so all of these items may be visible if worn):

- Clothing with profanity or an “R” rating—including illegal acts, substances, and violent and sexual content -- or otherwise disruptive messages
- Excessively ripped or torn garments; see-through clothing
- Torso-baring tops (including crop tops and cut-off gym t-shirts)
- Short-shorts or mini-skirts
- No undergarments should be showing at any time

Community Standards Agreement
This Community Standards Agreement is in place to keep participants safe and provide an enjoyable educational experience. SYP reserves the right to terminate the attendance of any student when it is deemed to be in the best interest of either the student or the program as determined by the University and the program staff. The University and the program staff expressly reserve the right to assess and adapt the standards of conduct, behavior, and performance of the participants engaging in the program and to require compliance with such standards as a condition of participation.

Your signatures indicate you understand and agree to abide by the programs expectations and community standards outlined above.

X
Parent/Guardian Name (Please Print)  Date

X
Parent/Guardian Signature
Parental Consent and Assumption of Risk
Virtual Programs

To achieve our goal of delivering fun and engaging virtual programs, we rely on the collaboration of parents and guardians to ensure a safe and productive learning environment. As parent/guardian, you are responsible for ensuring your child’s comprehension of and compliance with stated expectations of the program. Please review the following information carefully and sign below to indicate your consent.

- I accept full responsibility for supervision of my child as necessary during the course of the program and agree that my child will follow all safety and other instructions as required and will ask questions if they do not understand. I further acknowledge that my child is in good mental and physical condition for the limited purpose of program registration and participation.
- I understand parts of my child’s program may be physically or emotionally demanding and I agree participation in the program is at my child’s own risk. I acknowledge that, despite careful precautions, there are certain inherent risks of injury in this program and I accept these risks. I understand each participant must assume the risk of injury or disability that could result from any of the activities. My child and I assume full responsibility for any injuries or damages that may occur during the program. My child and I do hereby fully and forever release, discharge, agree to indemnify and hold harmless, and covenant not to sue Michigan Technological University, its Board of Trustees, employees, and agents from and for any and all claims, demands, damages, rights of action, or causes of action, present or future, whether the same be known or unknown, anticipated or unanticipated, resulting from or arising out of the student’s participation in the program or any injury suffered while participating in the program except insofar as such claim or cause of action arises from intentional misconduct by Michigan Technological University, its officers, agents, or employees.
- I am fully aware of the risks and potential hazards connected with participating in the program, including but not limited to, the risk of data mining, phishing, viruses, malware, data breach of online information cyberbullying, exploitation, victimization, cyber stalking, online grooming, cyber predators, digital footprint, reputation loss, compliance violations, brand hijacking, image replication, and I hereby elect to voluntarily participate in the program, and engage in such activity knowing that the activity may be hazardous to my child and/or my or my child’s Property. I voluntarily assume full responsibility for any risks of loss, property damage or person injury that may be sustained by my child, or any loss or damage to property owned by me, as a result of my child being engaged in such an activity.
- I understand that Michigan Technological University staff will contact me during the course of the program if my child is not in compliance with our stated community standards, is unable to or does not appear for required course sessions, or in the event that any concern about my child arises.
- My signature grants publication of my child’s participation. Participation may include name, likeness, voice, and biographical material. Publication may include notice in my local newspaper, as well as use of photos, course screenshots/recordings, and statements in any literature or
media produced for affiliated Summer Youth Programs. I understand that no royalty, fee, or compensation of any kind shall become payable to me by reason of such release and use of this publication. Furthermore, I understand if I do not wish for my child’s participation in Summer Youth Programs to be publicized, I must request confidentiality in writing to syp@mtu.edu.

- My signature grants Michigan Technological University permission to survey my student regarding their experience. I understand that no private or identifying information will be collected, and my student may refuse participation in the survey. I understand that if I do not wish for Michigan Technological University to survey my child, I must request confidentiality in writing to syp@mtu.edu.

By signing below, I confirm that I have read, understand, and agree to the conditions set forth in this Parental Consent and Assumption of Risk form.

X
Parent/Guardian Name (Please Print)                     Date

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Parent/Guardian Signature