

General Guidelines and Release Form

Senior Week Events

All seniors and their guests are required to read the guidelines and sign the release form below prior to taking part in any of the Senior Week activities

- Northern Vermont University (NVU) has leased transportation services and expects all participants to abide by NVU policies and procedures, including the Alcohol Policy and Drug Policy in the student handbooks (NorthernVermont.edu/Academics/Resources-and-Support/Student Handbooks), as well as, the rules and regulations of the bus companies and boat.
- If a participant or guest uses a personal vehicle to attend the event, the owner and/or driver of the vehicle must accept primary liability for any accident or injury. The owner and/or driver of the vehicle should have auto and/or personal liability insurance of at least \$300,000. The driver of the personal vehicle is responsible for all passengers.
- Students are required to use good judgment and behavior while on this trip and comply with the policies and instructions of NVU and/or the Spirit of Ethan Allen III.
- Buses/van(s) will depart from the Vail Parking Lot on the Lyndon campus, the Bentley Lot on the Johnson campus, and from the Spirit of Ethan Allen boarding area in Burlington. All participants are expected to be on their respective buses/van(s) prior to the departure time. If you and your party are not present at the agreed upon meeting point for NVU-provided transportation, you will be responsible for finding your own way home.
- NVU is an institution of higher education, therefore, those of legal age choosing to drink alcoholic beverages will be expected to drink responsibly and to be in control of themselves at all times, as well as, but not limited to, finding their own safe transportation once the said activity is complete. Participants and guests under the legal drinking age are absolutely prohibited from possessing or consuming alcoholic beverages.
- Participants and guests may not bring weapons, food, alcohol, marijuana, or illegal substances on the buses/vans or boat.
- Drugs use and smoking (including e-cigarettes, vaping, and marijuana) is prohibited on the buses/vans and boat.
- All bags, backpacks, etc. will be checked prior to boarding the buses/van(s) and the boat.
- Individuals failing to comply with any of the above listed items may be asked to leave immediately and be responsible for finding their own transportation.

Release Form:

I, the undersigned, have read, understand and agree to abide by the above conditions and terms and do hereby state that I recognize there may be certain physical risks, including risks of travel, associated with the activity of Senior Week events.

In exchange for the privilege of attending and participating in the activity described above, I voluntarily agree and choose to assume the reasonable risks associated with the activity. Further, on behalf of myself, my estate, my parents, heirs, and assignees, I hereby release the Vermont State Colleges System (VSCS), its Board of Trustees, and Northern Vermont University and each of their respective officers, agents, representatives, and employees from any and all liability, actions, causes of actions, debts, claims and demands of every kind and nature whatsoever – specifically including any claim for negligent acts relating to my participation in this activity – which I now have or which may arise out of or in connection with my participation in this activity.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

*** You may make copies of this form, as needed.***