



MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION -  
BERRIEN COUNTY 4-H YOUTH PROGRAM -  
BEST FRIENDS 4-H CLUB LIABILITY AGREEMENT

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**For Parent / Guardian and Adult Member - Informed Consent and Release of Liability Agreement**

This form is valid from September 1, 20\_\_\_\_\_ to August 31, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

No individual can be accepted into the Berrien County, Michigan, Best Friends 4-H Club until this form has been completed by the youth's parent(s)/guardian, or by the individual if he or she is of legally competent adult age of eighteen (18) or older.

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*(Name of youth or adult member)*

- I / We assume the risks and accept the consequences involved in the participation of said youth or adult member in the Berrien County, Michigan, Best Friends 4-H Club.
- I / We acknowledge that canines may be dangerous because the dog may, without warning, become aggressive, go into a protective mode, or move into otherwise unpredictable ways.
- I / We are hereby informed of the possible dangers to myself, my child, and/or my ward, which may result from participation in the program, including soft tissue (including skin and muscle) injury, ligament and tendon injury, bone and joint injury, and exacerbation of chronic conditions.
- I / We hereby release Michigan State University and the Best Friends 4-H Club, including their instructors, staff, and volunteers, from any liability for injury that may result from participation in Best Friends 4-H Club's Traditional and Non-Traditional Canine Therapy Dog Competition Program and the Traditional and Non-Traditional Canine Training Program.

**I / We have read and fully understand this agreement.**

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Signature of:  Parent/Guardian

Self

Today's Date:

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Witness by:

Coordinator of Best Friends 4-H Club

Co-Coordinator of Best Friends 4-H Club

Secretary for Best Friends 4-H Club

Today's Date:

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