



NEW YORK STATE UNIVERSITY POLICE

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RIDE-ALONG REQUEST AND WAIVER FORM

I, the undersigned, hereby request permission to ride in a police vehicle of the Buffalo State University Police, at such times and in such areas as may be approved by the Chief of Police or his designated representative. I understand that the police vehicle will be engaged in normal police patrol and law enforcement activities, some of which may be dangerous and expose passengers to risk or harm. I acknowledge this risk of harm and voluntarily accept it, hereby releasing Buffalo State, the individual officers and employees of Buffalo State, from any liability which might result from my participation in this program. I give permission to have my background checked for criminal history. I agree to the rules and instructions listed on the back of this form.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

NOTE: Applicants under eighteen (18) years of age must have this form read and signed by their parent or guardian prior to any participation in this program.

PERMISSION OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN

I, the undersigned, being the parent or guardian of _____ hereby join with him/her in requesting permission for him/her to ride in a police vehicle as aforesaid and do join with him/her in granting a release and discharge to Buffalo State, the individual officers and employees of Buffalo State, as set out in detail above.

Signature of Parent or Guardian: _____ Date: _____

In case of emergency notify: _____ Phone: _____

PLEASE PRINT THE FOLLOWING REQUIRED INFORMATION

Full Name of Applicant:		Phone Number:	
Local Address:		Email Address:	
Driver's License/I.D. Card #:		Date of Birth:	
Dates preferred (Please allow 2 weeks to process)		Times Preferred (Please pick a 4-hour period)	I would like to ride with Officer:
1 st _____		_____	Buffalo State Student Status:
2 nd _____		_____	
3 rd _____		_____	

Background OK? ☐ Yes ☐ No: _____ Date: _____

Background Comments: _____

Application Approved: _____ Date: _____

Ride-a-long Rules & Regulations

1. No person shall be allowed to ride without having submitted a signed ride-a-long request and waiver form. Refusal to complete this form, or false statements of any nature, will disqualify the applicant from participation in the program. The request to ride form must be turned in to the Chief of Police or his designee two (2) weeks prior to the first requested date of participation.
2. Participants must obey the orders and instructions given by the officer to whom they are assigned.
3. Participants must not leave the patrol vehicle unless instructed to do so by the officer.
4. When the patrol unit is assigned to a dangerous call, the rider may be dropped off at a safe location and he/she must remain there until the officer or another police unit returns to pick him/her up.
5. The rider will provide his/her own transportation to and from the Buffalo State University Police Department.
6. Background checks will be conducted on all applicants.
7. Applicants will be notified by the Buffalo State University Police Department after filing the written application request form. At that time, the ride will be scheduled and/or confirmed, or denied.
8. Participants shall not converse with any prisoners, suspects, victims or witnesses nor shall they participate in any police activity unless directly requested by officers.
9. All participants must agree not to discuss names of persons involved in police cases or incidents. All matters pertaining to evidence or statements gathered in investigations are confidential.
10. Tape recorders and cameras will not be permitted while participating in the program, unless express prior permission is granted by the Police Chief or designee.
11. By signing the waiver form on the reverse of this page, the ride-a-long participant agrees to fully comply with the rules and regulations listed above.