## **Eco Adventure Student Participant Agreement**

Student trips are provided through Eco Adventure, a unit within the Department of Recreation and Wellness. These trips are available to currently enrolled UNF students and are offered at lost cost. Eco Adventure staff take care of these trip planning services: trip planning & creation/ route selection, organization, site selection, correspondence with locals, gear organization and equipment rental setup (or loaned through UNF), trained guides and group safety management (guides are trained, at a minimum, in American Red Cross First Aid and CPR).

I agree to the following terms and conditions to participate in a trip, event, workshop, demonstration or expedition with the UNF Wildlife Sanctuary & Eco-Adventure Staff, under the Department of Recreation and Wellness and the University of North Florida.

I agree to:

- Not put myself or others into harms way
- Be responsible for the Eco Adventure gear and/or equipment provided for use during the trip
- Bring all the required gear stated in the pre-trip information. Required gear is informed during the pre-trip meeting for individual participate safety.
- Follow all written & verbal directions from UNF staff relating to wilderness protocol, group safety or activity guidelines.
- Follow all wilderness, water laws & Leave-No-Trace ethics
- Stay with the group at all times and stay between lead Eco-Adventure staff and the end Eco-Adventure staff member
- Be responsible for my own safety and must endure the consequences of my decisions (example: my sleeping bag was too heavy so I left it at the last camp)
- Be willing to share in all group jobs assigned (Cooking, Camp setup, Fire Tending, Navigation etc.)

Understanding of Financial Commitment:

- I am responsible for paying the "trip fee" assessed. This fee covers expenses like: Park Entry Fees, Camping Fees, Gear Rental Fees, Food and Drinks as part of group food, & Staffing fees for UNF employees.
- Trip fees are non-refundable. Exceptions include: university or department cancellation of trip, lead staff emergency, participant emergency (relating to immediate family defined as parent(s), grandparent(s), sibling(s); proof of emergency may be required)

I understand:

- No Drugs or Firearms Allowed on the Trip. Failure to comply poses a threat to yourself and fellow participants and the issue will be reported to the Dean of Students.
- That the physical and emotional demands of Eco Adventure trips and I am healthy enough to participate. Physical activity descriptions for each trip are available on the <u>trip page</u>.

• That failure to follow these guidelines, I forfeit any funds contributed toward the trip and may be asked to leave at my own expense. This decision is at the discretion of the Eco-Adventure program staff.