StoryArk Youth Code of Conduct

StoryArk is a youth-serving, community-based organization dedicated to helping students who love storytelling to write, develop and produce their narratives. We're committed to providing a safe, secure, respectful environment for all who participate in our programs.

Participation in StoryArk's programs is subject to following the organization's rules and procedures. The activities outlined below are strictly prohibited:

• Abusive language towards an employee, contractor, volunteer or another participant.
• Possession or use of alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, or marijuana on StoryArk's program locations or reporting to the program while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
• Bringing onto StoryArk's program locations dangerous or unauthorized materials such as explosives, firearms, weapons or other similar items.
• Wearing clothing that is offensive, revealing, or makes other youth participants or employees, contractors, or volunteers feel uncomfortable.
• Discourtesy or rudeness to another participant, employee, contractor, or volunteer.
• Harassment of a youth participant, employee, contractor, or volunteer, including, but not limited to, harassing verbal, visual, physical, or sexual conduct.
• Actual or threatened violence toward any individual or group.
• Conduct endangering the life, safety, health or well-being of others.
• Bullying or taking unfair advantage of another youth participant, employee, contractor or volunteer.
• Failure to follow any StoryArk policy or procedure.
• Failure to follow the reasonable directions of an employee, contractor, or volunteer who has been authorized by StoryArk to provide direction to youth participants.

Any youth participant who violates this code of conduct is subject to discipline, up to and including removal from the program.

**StoryArk has zero tolerance for the behaviors listed above or any other disrespectful, abusive, harassing, violent, or retaliatory conduct.**

If you are the victim of any inappropriate behaviors or you see others acting inappropriately, please speak up. If you are comfortable doing so, tell the individual that the behavior is inappropriate and ask them to stop. If you are not comfortable approaching the individual or speaking to the individual does not resolve the issue, notify an adult who is an employee, contractor, or volunteer of StoryArk about the situation so prompt and appropriate action may be taken.

I have read and I understand StoryArk's Code of Conduct. I agree to abide by the rules described above and understand that I may be removed as a participant if I violate any of these rules.

Student Signature _______________________________ Date __________________________

Parent Signature ________________________________ Date __________________________