



Welcome Parents/Guardians!

We are excited your child will be participating in STARBASE Wisconsin, a premiere “hands-on, minds-on” STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) program (the Program). Your child will be with us for a one-week program during either a school break or during the summertime. They will use math, science, and technology in a variety of hands-on experiments designed to stimulate their interest in STEAM. Parents please note: **no juice, soda, candy, or sugary desserts** are allowed at any location of the Program. If they are included in your child(ren)’s lunches and/or snacks, they will be sent back to your home or the youth organization at the end of the day.

What is STARBASE?

The Program is an interactive academic program that helps youth increase their knowledge in STEAM. During the school break or summertime, children are taken on an odyssey into the exciting world of the sciences through hands-on activities and experiments and technology projects. The US Department of Defense has funded STARBASE programs around the country for over 25 years. As the largest employer of civilian and military scientists and engineers, the DoD recognizes the importance of inspiring children to pursue STEAM fields. The Program is located on 51st and Silver Spring Drive, and we are proudly sponsored by the Wisconsin Air National Guard.

Program Descriptions

Descriptions for programs taking place during school breaks and/or summertime are available on our website at: <https://starbase.wi.gov/>

Note about completing the permission slip.

Only complete the youth organization’s name and chaperone’s name if your student is participating in the program as part of a youth group.

Families who register their child(ren)- directly for the program should complete the permission slip and registration form. **Do not fill in the youth organization and chaperone’s name as those sections are not applicable.**

QUESTIONS? Feel free to email Michelle Klos-Gonzalez, STARBASE Wisconsin director, at michelle.klos-gonzalez@widma.gov or Amanda Kallie, the office manager, at amanda.kallie@widma.gov.

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Child Permission Form

Youth Organization Name: _____

Chaperone's Name: _____

Statement of Understanding & Hold Harmless Agreement

I acknowledge that I, _____, the parent or legal guardian of _____ grant my permission for _____ (*Child's name*) to participate in the Program.

I take full financial responsibility for any damage that might occur to the property of the federal government and/or property of the Wisconsin Department of Military Affairs (DMA) caused by my child. I understand this program is designed for "hands-on" activities, visits to military work areas, and to interest children in Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math (STEAM) content areas.

I agree not to hold the U.S. Government, the state of Wisconsin, DMA, the Wisconsin National Guard, or STARBASE sponsoring agencies, and/or their respective employees, agents, or representatives liable in any way for any injuries to my child or damages to my child's property that might occur during any activity in which my child is engaged.

In case of a medical emergency, I grant permission for my child to be transported to the hospital by ambulance. My child will be picked up there by me or my designee.

I also understand that the Program reserves the right to terminate the participation of my child when it is deemed to be in the best interest of either my child or the Program as determined by the Program team.

I hereby grant permission for my child's school/school district/youth organization to release my child's name, race, gender, and special educational requirements to STARBASE Wisconsin for planning and aggregate data reporting.

X _____

Signature of Parent/ Guardian

Date

Parent/ Guardian Phone #

Permission for Publication of Child's Image Release

At STARBASE Wisconsin, it is our practice when preparing work for external publications, video tapes, and publicity for the purpose of marketing the Program to seek parent permission before including a child's image. To include your child's photo or likeness in publications or permit your child to appear in any video or live marketing event, we must have your signed permission. If you agree to permit these activities, please sign, and date below and return it to STARBASE Wisconsin.

I **grant** permission for my child to appear in a photograph, video or digital imagery that will be used by STARBASE Wisconsin for marketing purposes. STARBASE Wisconsin will hold any and all rights to include these images, in any format or media, in any marketing campaign and to grant permission for the images in outside publications.

X _____

Signature of Parent/ Guardian

Date