

Carnegie Mellon University – Graduate Student Assembly (GSA) Family Space

Acknowledgment, Assumption of Risk and General Release

Carnegie Mellon University (“**CMU**”) is piloting a Graduate Student Assembly (GSA) Family Space currently located at 5140 Margaret Morrison Street (the “**Family Room**”) as a resource for graduate students with children (ages 12 and under) seeking a touch-down/transitional child-friendly space on campus. I and my children wish to use the Family Room.

As a condition of being granted access to and being permitted to use the Family Room, I hereby agree to the following terms and conditions.

- 1. I represent and warrant that I am the parent or legal guardian of any and all individuals under the age of eighteen (18) that I bring with me into the Family Room (hereinafter such children are referred to as “my children”).**

- 2. I acknowledge and agree that I am solely responsible for the supervision of my children at all times.** I acknowledge that Carnegie Mellon is not, in any way, responsible for the care or supervision of my children. I acknowledge that the Family Room is not a child care service and that CMU does not actively monitor the Family Room.

3. I acknowledge and agree to follow all rules regarding the use and operation of the Family Room, including the following:
 - a. Children must be supervised by their own parent/guardian at all times in the Family Room. Children must not be left alone in the Family Room.
 - b. Access to the room is permitted only to authorized individuals with a CMU ID Card. Each adult entering the room must be individually approved to access the room and must swipe their CMU ID Card to grant access. Adult users of the room may not hold the door open for other adult users. Any adult who enters the Family Room must have the Child Protection Clearances, as set forth in Section 5 below.
 - c. Adults must have a charged mobile phone with them at all times when utilizing the space, with the following functionalities:
 - i. Preprogrammed with the number for emergencies (CMU Police): (412) 268-2323.
 - ii. Updated with the CMU Safe app.
 - d. Sick or symptomatic children, parents/guardians, and/or partners should not be present in the Family Room; no one who is ill should be present in the space.
 - e. Users of the room are responsible for cleaning up after themselves. In general, users of the Family Room should leave the room in the same condition as when they entered the room.
 - f. Adult users of the Family Room are responsible for the behavior of their children at all times.
 - i. Adults should remove their child from the space if the child demonstrates behavior which impacts their own child’s safety or the safety of another child. (physical and emotional)
 - ii. Adults will refrain from disciplining and/or touching children other than their own
 - g. Adults will dispose of all trash appropriately. Diapers and sanitary wipes should be disposed of in the designated receptacle.

- h. Adults are expected to use sanitizing wipes to clean any shared objects that their children use before exiting the space.
 - i. Adults will clean up any and all messes left on behalf of themselves or their children. If a deeper clean is required (for example: vomit, urine, or feces), it is the responsibility of the adult to secure assistance from facilities; if assistance is needed, please contact the graduate student worker who helps maintain the space.
 - j. Any additional rules posted within the Family Room.
4. **Photo/AV Permission.** I give permission for CMU (or someone acting on CMU's behalf) to take photos or make audiovisual recordings of my minor child in connection with use of the Family Room, to use the resulting recordings for archival, educational and promotional purposes, and to share them with news media and current or potential funding partners. If I or my minor child supplies CMU with photos, videos or other materials containing my minor child's image or voice, I give CMU permission to use such materials in the same manner. CMU won't attribute names to any use of images without the express permission of the parent/guardian. Additionally, I understand and accept that other parents may take photos of their child that include photos of my child.
5. **Maximum Occupancy** – The maximum occupancy for the Family Room is 40. I agree to refrain from entering the Family Room if doing so would exceed the maximum occupancy.
6. **Child Protective Services Law Clearances** – I understand that, as a condition of being granted access to the Family Room, I must submit Child Protection Clearances to act153@andrew.cmu.edu and maintain current clearances on file with the Office of Human Resources. I understand that my access to the Family Room will be revoked if I fail to submit and maintain current Child Protection Clearances. Child Protection Clearances include all of the following:
- a. Pennsylvania Access to Criminal History (PATCH) through the Pennsylvania State Police;
 - b. Pennsylvania Child Abuse History (PACA) through the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services; and
 - c. FBI Criminal History Background Check (FBI Fingerprint); requires the individual to submit their fingerprints to the FBI and have the background check run through the PA State Police's designated agencies
7. I understand that the Family Room is not an allergen free location. In particular, other users of the Family Room may bring materials into the Family Room that may cause an allergic reaction in other users of the Room. I acknowledge and understand that conditions in the Family Room may trigger an allergic reaction in some individuals and that CMU is not responsible for providing an allergen free environment or any allergic reaction experienced by me or my children.
8. I understand that my access to the Family Room is contingent upon compliance with these rules and that my access to the Family Room may be revoked if I or my children do not comply with these rules.

9. On behalf of myself and my children, I and my children hereby irrevocably and unconditionally release, waive and covenant not to sue CMU and/or anyone acting on its behalf, from and for any and all liability for injuries, damages, claims, demands, actions and causes of action, including but not limited to suffering and death, arising from or connected with access to and/or use of the Family Room.

10. The laws of Pennsylvania shall apply to this Acknowledgement, Assumption of Risk and General Release. If any of its provisions are declared illegal, unenforceable or ineffective, such provisions shall be deemed severable, and all other provisions shall remain valid and binding.

11. I am an adult (18 years of age or older), competent to sign this document. I am signing this document voluntarily, having read and understood its contents and intend to be legally bound by it.

Find [additional information about the Family Room](#).

Signature

Date of Birth

Printed Name

Date

Names of Children

1. _____
Name

Date of Birth

2. _____
Name

Date of Birth

3. _____
Name

Date of Birth

4. _____
Name

Date of Birth