LAST HOPE LIVE ACTION ROLE PLAY - PARENTAL CONSENT FORM

This form has been brought to you because your child is interested in the Last Hope Live Action Role Play. As a parent, it is important to understand the environment of any activity your minor/child is participating in. A Live Action Role Play is an event series/game that allows players to play different characters in a storyline and do improvisational acting to continue that story. Players might be merchants, town guards, bandits, adventurers, or monsters. It is a fun way to wear medieval clothing and armor, fight with approved safe weapons, and interact with other players interested in this kind of hobby. It is a physical sport, a social community, and a creative outlet. A LARP is a great way for us to get outside, interact with friends and new people alike, get a nice workout and stay active, and express creativity with other like minded individuals through storytelling, improv acting, and crafting things like props, clothing, and armor.

Last Hope features live action combat that is played out using a simple mechanic with safe, padded, latex/foam weapons. Players will strike each other with medium force (enough strength to register a hit but not hurt each other) and are not allowed to hit the head or face. Unfortunately, there is a chance to be hit a bit hard (even enough to bruise) or be accidentally hit in the head. It happens, but is not acceptable, so players and Heralds try to maintain the level of safety that is acceptable.

Last Hope does allow the use or consumption of alcohol and tobacco. This can ONLY be done by players of legal age (18 for tobacco and 21 for alcohol) and minors are NEVER allowed to participate. If they do, they will be removed from the event. Even though we allow the consumption/use of both, they are done in a more social and controlled manner, but you should be aware that it does exist.

Last Hope does have a story, tone, and setting that is called "grim dark". What this means, is that we tell a story that is dark, grim, gritty, and realistic. Violence breaks out, we use bloody limb/gut props, and our story can be gruesome at times. It is not excessive, but that level is interpreted differently by different people. If your minor participates, they may be subjected to these more mature themes.

If a minor is below the age of 16, they need to be accompanied by an adult or get permission from event staff before they can participate.

If your minor participates in Last Hope, they will be subject to the above topics but the staff of Heralds and volunteers are always trying to maintain a safe, friendly atmosphere. The game cannot be altered around your minor, so if you or your minor have any issues with any topics above, you should contact the Storyteller/organizer to discuss.

For more info, see below. You are welcome to contact the event coordinator (Storyteller) at any time.

<u>Last Hope Website</u> http://www.lasthopelarp.com

<u>Last Hope Rule Book</u> http://www.lasthopelarp.com/rules.html

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PLAYER SIGNATURE: PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE:

PLAYER NAME (PRINT): PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME (PRINT):