

Houston Community College Legal Liability of Volunteers Form

Under Texas Education Code Section 51.937, individuals who volunteer at institutions of higher education may not be held liable for actions that are incident to or within the scope of the duties of the volunteer's position and that involve the exercise of judgment or discretion on the part of the volunteer. "Volunteer" as used in this statute means a person providing services for or on behalf of an institution of higher education, on the premises of the institution or at an activity related to or sponsored by the institution on or off the property of the institution, who does not receive compensation in excess of reimbursement for expenses.

Section 51.937 does not apply to the operation, use, or maintenance of a motor vehicle. Additionally, it does not limit the liability of a person who engages in intentional misconduct or gross negligence.

Houston Community College (HCC) will not indemnify any volunteer for any claims resulting from acts or omissions that constitute intentional misconduct or gross negligence.

By signing this form, volunteer applicant acknowledges that:

1. They have read and understand the above language.
2. To the extent provided by law, they waive all claims based in tort against HCC that might accrue during the course of their involvement with HCC.
3. Subject to HCC policies and procedures.

Applicant name (print): _____

Applicant signature: _____

Date: _____