



THE KENNETH A. PICERNE FOUNDATION

Global Sustainability Project – Student Contract

This contract sets forth the terms and conditions on which _____ (“Student”) will participate in the Global Sustainability Project (“GSP”), a program of the Kenneth A. Picerne Foundation (“Foundation”) – doing business as Picerne Family Foundation. **Please read the following contract carefully. By signing this contract, you are agreeing to participate in the GSP on the terms and subject to the conditions described below.**

As a condition of participation in the GSP, and to be considered as a candidate to receive financial support from the Kenneth A. Picerne Foundation to attend an Earthwatch Expedition, Student agrees to make GSP a top priority by fulfilling the following academic and extracurricular program requirements:

- **Expedition Preparation** – Student will fully participate in an intensive study program to prepare for the South Africa Expedition. Specifically, Student will attend all expedition preparation meetings and complete all requirements outlined by the teacher overseeing the GSP. Requirements include after school meetings, self-directed research, student presentations and other activities assigned by the teacher.
- **Local Field Study Project** – Student will contribute 40 hours of volunteer service, at a local conservancy or non-profit organization whose primary mission is ecological sustainability, by the deadline established by the teacher overseeing the GSP. The teacher overseeing the GSP will determine the specific organization, locations, dates, and times and for student volunteer service.
- **Paperwork Requirements** – Student will complete, and submit on time, all required travel documents, inoculation requirements, passport application, parent affidavits, and Earthwatch expedition documents.
- **Foundation Recognition** – Student will make certain the Picerne Family Foundation and the Global Sustainability Project are acknowledged as sponsors in any school event, interview, presentation, video, online blog, research publication, and print/online publication where the GSP program, local project, and Earthwatch Expedition is discussed or highlighted.
- **Program Evaluations** – Student will complete program evaluations as required by the GSP and the teacher overseeing the GSP.
- **Positive Relationships** – Student will maintain constructive, positive and mutually respectful relationships with fellow GSP participants, Edison High School students & staff, and Earthwatch staff.
- **Zero Tolerance Policy** - The GSP program has a “no tolerance” policy regarding illegal activity or illegal drug use of any kind.

So long as the GSP program staff, in its sole discretion, believes Student is fulfilling the requirements of the GSP program and acting in accordance with this contract, Foundation will provide airfare and expedition fees, to travel with the Edison High School GSP Group on the Earthwatch Expedition in summer 2024.

Agreed to and accepted:

Kenneth A. Picerne Foundation:

Student:

Victor Nelson, Executive Director