

Red Cross Blood Drives

2023-24 School Year

Thurs, Nov 16th and Thurs, May 23th

Informed Parental Consent for Persons Donating Blood (16 - 18-year-olds)

Parental Consent

I understand that I have had an opportunity to ask questions. I hereby give permission for my student, _____, to make a voluntary donation of blood to the American Red Cross during his or her legal minority.

Signed consent will be required for each donation.

Parent/Guardian Name (please print) _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone Number _____

Please circle which class period you would like to donate:

1st

2nd

3rd

4th

5th

Blood Donation Requirements for High School Students

Thank you for your interest in donating blood. By donating blood, you are giving life to someone in need.

So that we can provide the safest possible donation experience, selection criteria include a table based on height and weight to determine if students are eligible.

MALE donors must weigh 110 pounds or more, depending on their height in the following chart:

If you are	4'10"	4'11"	5' or taller
You must weigh at least	118	114	110

FEMALE donors must weigh 110 pounds or more, depending on their height in the following chart:

If you are	5'1"	5'2"	5'3"	5'4"	5'5"	5'6" or taller
You must weigh at least	133	129	124	120	115	110

Females who are shorter than 5'1" may still be eligible to donate blood. They may call 866-236-3276 to ask about their eligibility.



Form: Parental Consent for Blood Donation

Information

This form must be completed by a parent or legal guardian. Parental permission is required for

- All donations by 16-year-olds
- All donations by **any age student** at high school blood drives in Utah
- Donations by 17-year-olds as required by state law or blood drive sponsor

Before giving consent, please read the information on the back of this form and "A Student's Guide to Blood Donation." You should also read "Possible Use of Donor Information and Blood Samples in Medical Research" and the research study sheets for your state, which can be found at <https://www.redcrossblood.org/donate-blood/how-to-donate/info-for-student-donors.html>. If you do not have internet access, please call the Donor and Client Support Center at 1-866-236-3276 for relevant information regarding research studies.

Before donating blood, your child will read "What You Must Know Before Giving Blood," which describes the blood donation process. It explains the importance of accurate and honest answers to health history questions, what happens when a person gives blood, and tips for having a positive donation experience. It also explains why the Red Cross asks questions about sexual contact and identifies profiles of persons who should not donate (because of physical conditions, travel to certain countries, or high-risk behavior). "What You Must Know Before Giving Blood" contains explicit language defining "sexual contact." A copy of this document is on file and available for viewing at your child's school.

Please call us at **1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767)** or visit www.redcrossblood.org if you have questions or concerns about the blood donation process.

Parental Consent

I have read and understand

- The information on the back of this form
- "A Student's Guide to Blood Donation"
- "Possible Use of Donor Information and Blood Samples in Medical Research"
- State-specific research-related study sheets
- That red cell apheresis, also known as "Power Reds," is not recommended for 16- and 17-year-old females

By signing below, I authorize my child to donate blood to the American Red Cross. Further, unless indicated by checking the box below, I authorize my child to do so utilizing apheresis technology as described on the reverse of this sheet. (Please use medium-point black pen.)

I **do not** authorize my child to donate blood utilizing apheresis technology as described on the reverse of this sheet.

Donor Name: (son, daughter, or ward): _____
Print Name

Parent/Guardian Name: _____
Print Name

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____
Signature *Today's Date (mm/dd/yyyy)*

Optional Parent/Guardian Phone Number: _____
Where you can be reached on day of donation

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