

Photo Release Form

Teachers,

The intent of this form is two-fold. 1) Students need to understand the courtesies and legalities of taking photos or videos of others and of publishing them. 2) As the teacher, you must have permission from the parent or guardian for any minor who appears in the videos made and submitted to this contest, not just for the student whose entry it is. The forms on the next pages should be used by the student and by you to verify permission. You will be asked on the entry forms to verify that you have completed this step, but you do not need to submit these forms with your entry. You do need to keep it for your records and may need to submit it to your administrators. Speak with them to make sure all permissions and legalities are being followed for your students. More copies of the photo release forms may be made if needed.

Students,

Why do I need to do this? It is common courtesy to not take photos or videos of people without their consent. There could also be unintended legal or criminal consequences if you do not obtain consent, so let's move forward with the safe, blanket statement that you're not allowed to publish photos or video of people without their consent. That's where a photo release form comes in.

A photo release form is written permission from the the person being photographed or filmed stating that they're okay with you taking and publishing their photo. In this case, you will be publishing it as an entry to our contest. If your video is a winner, it will be used for promotional materials, social media, and future contests, etc. by The Eisenhower Foundation. In that case, their faces may be seen by hundreds or thousands of people. They need to be okay with that.

However, until you reach the age of 18, you may not enter into a legal contract. Only your parent/legal guardian can do that. If you attend a school, that consent was given or denied during the enrollment process and your teacher (who must oversee your entry) is aware of that consent or denial and must abide by it.

Therefore, this photo release form is required to be given to your teacher/parent/guardian so that you understand the weight of having others' consent before you take photos or videos, and especially if you are going to publish them in any way. *This is not a legal contract between you and The Eisenhower Foundation.* That legal permission is between your parent/guardian and the school you attend, which is then being applied by your teacher to your video entry to this contest; or it is between your parent/guardian and The Eisenhower Foundation for the purposes of your video entry to this contest.

Let's Get Started. Each person(s) shown in your video entry to this contest must give permission to be filmed and included. Each person(s) must agree to the statements on the form by checking the boxes, signing their full name, and dating the statement. More copies of the photo release forms may be made if needed. Then, you need to give the forms to your teacher.



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Person's (being filmed) printed name: _____

Person's (being filmed) age as of September 1, 2026: _____

- ☐ I grant (full name of student doing the filming)_____ permission to take my photo or film me to use in a video entry for the contest "We the People. Voices of America" managed by The Eisenhower Foundation, IKEducation.
- ☐ I grant my permission to the contest organizers for my video to be used in promotional materials, social media, and future contests, etc. by The Eisenhower Foundation.

Signed _____ Date _____

TEACHER SECTION

I verify that the minor named above has permission through my school's policies regarding student recording and online posting.

- ☐ YES
- ☐ NO (If this is your answer, STOP now. The entry may not be submitted without permission.)

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