

The Grosse Pointe Academy

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Contract for Wedding Ceremonies & Receptions

The following contractual agreement (“Agreement”) is entered into between the applicant listed below (“Applicant”) and The Grosse Pointe Academy (“GPA”). Applicant wishes to use the Chapel and/or buildings and grounds of GPA (collectively, the “Facilities”), and GPA is willing to allow Applicant to use the Facilities under the terms and conditions set forth herein.

1. Applicant wishes to use the Facilities on the date set forth below (“Event Date”).
2. Applicant will pay the fee set forth below (the “Fee”). The Fee includes a non-refundable deposit amount, which is due upon execution of this Agreement. In the event Applicant fails to pay the remaining balance of the Fee within eight (8) weeks of the Event Date, GPA reserves the right to impose a late fee and assess interest charges in accordance with applicable law.
3. Applicant agrees that Applicant will be responsible for any damage done to GPA property or buildings and grounds during Applicant’s use of the Facilities. Applicant will be responsible for any costs incurred by GPA as a result of any such damages.
4. Applicant is responsible for his/her vendors, representatives, contractors and/or guests (including but not limited to caterers, musicians, DJ, florist, and any outside vendors) and agrees to leave the Facilities, including without limitation all GPA buildings and grounds, clean and in good order following Applicant’s use. Applicant understands that Applicant will be responsible for any cleaning costs incurred by GPA as a result of Applicant’s use of the Facilities.
5. Applicants choosing a Catholic chapel ceremony may use our faux flowers or bring your own floral arrangements to place on the altar or on the pedestals provided.
6. Applicant agrees to the following:
 - a. All vehicles will be parked only in areas clearly designated for parking.
 - b. The GPA campus is smoke-free. No smoking may occur on the GPA campus.
 - c. For couples choosing a Catholic Chapel marriage ceremony
 - i. Catholic marriage preparation will be completed with your priest or deacon, and all necessary paperwork will be submitted to their church office
 - ii. Your florist may have access to the chapel 30 minutes prior to the ceremony, or possibly at your rehearsal
 - iii. You may decorate the pews with flowers, bows, or garlands; however, please do not adhere with adhesive, tacks, or staples

- d. All wedding flowers and all decor will be removed by midnight of the Event Date.
 - e. No vehicles may be driven onto lawn areas.
 - f. Only flameless candles may be used for outdoor weddings, receptions, and events. No open flames are allowed including fireworks, matches, lighters, candles, or burners except by insured caterers. Applicant must obtain written approval from GPA prior to using any open flames.
 - g. For outdoor wedding receptions, Applicant must rent portable restrooms due to the historic nature of the GPA buildings and grounds.
 - h. All contracted catering or food service vendors must be licensed to serve alcoholic beverages. h. All vendor and catering services, including trash and decor, must be removed when the vendor leaves the campus, no later than midnight of the Event Date.
 - i. Alcohol service must cease one hour prior to the end of the reception.
 - j. Music and other entertainment must cease one-half hour prior to the end of the reception.
7. Applicant will indemnify, defend, and hold harmless GPA, its officers, agents, employees, contractors, representatives and assigns (collectively, the "GPA Indemnified Parties") from and against all costs, expenses (including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees, expenses and court costs), damages, claims, and/or liability (collectively, "Claims") to the extent arising out of: (a) a breach by Applicant of this Agreement; (b) a violation of applicable law by Applicant, its vendors, contractors, representatives and/or guests; and/or (c) any claim(s) by Applicant, its vendors, contractors, representatives, and/or guests, and/or any third party arising out of, or related to, directly or indirectly, Applicant's use of the Facilities and/or this Agreement, regardless of any actions by the GPA Indemnified Parties that directly or indirectly give rise to such claim(s) except for intentional wrongdoing by GPA. Claims under this Section include, without limitation, claims for bodily injury or death, occupational illness or disease, loss of service wages or income, damage, destruction or loss of the use of the Facilities, and workers compensation claims.
 8. Applicant has been given an opportunity to inspect the Facilities and accepts the condition of the Facilities in their existing condition, as-is, with all faults. Applicant waives any claim against GPA based upon any cause whatsoever, including negligence, and Applicant more specifically waives any claim against GPA for damages arising out of Applicant's use of the Facilities and/or this Agreement.
 9. If Applicant is an organization, the person signing this Agreement represents that he/she is authorized to sign this Agreement on behalf of the organization, and to bind the organization to honor the terms of this Agreement.
 10. If any legal action must be brought to enforce the terms of this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover attorney's fees in addition to any other damages awarded by the court or arbitrator.
 11. Applicant shall comply with all Executive Orders, Wayne County Health Department Emergency Public Orders, and laws and regulations, if any be effective, with respect to Covid-19 or other pandemic procedures and

safeguards.

12. In the unlikely event Applicant should cancel, the deposit is non-refundable. In the event of a need to postpone, GPA may transfer the deposit to rebook the event on a mutually agreeable date.
13. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the state of Michigan.
14. The failure of GPA to perform its obligations under this Agreement shall be excused to the extent, and for the period of time, such failure is caused by the occurrence of an event of Force Majeure. "Force Majeure" shall mean acts and events not within the GPA's control, and which GPA has been unable by the exercise of due diligence to avoid or prevent, including, without limitation the following: Acts of God; strikes, lockouts, or other industrial disputes; inability to obtain material, equipment or labor; epidemics, civil disturbances, acts of domestic or foreign terrorism, wars within the continental United States, riots or insurrections; landslides, lightning, earthquakes, fires, storms, floods or washouts; arrests and restraint of rulers and people; interruptions by government or court orders; declarations of emergencies by applicable federal, state, or local authorities; present or future orders of any regulatory body having proper jurisdiction and authority; explosions; and breakage or accident to machinery.

This is the entire Agreement between Applicant and GPA, and it can only be modified in a written modification signed by both parties to this Agreement.

[Signature page follows.]



THE GROSSE POINTE ACADEMY

APPLICANT NAME: _____

APPLICANT SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

WEDDING DATE: _____ PREFERRED TIME: _____

TOTAL FEE: _____ NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT AMOUNT: _____

FINAL BALANCE DUE: 8 weeks prior to the wedding.

DUE DATE: _____ FINAL BALANCE AMOUNT: _____

Please forward all payments to:

The Grosse Pointe Academy
Attention: Wedding Coordinator
171 Lake Shore Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236

For GPA Office use:

This application is hereby approved:

GPA REPRESENTATIVE: _____ DATE: _____

FEE PAID BY:

____ Credit Card ____ Check ____ Cash