



April 24, 2026
2026 College Lineman Rodeo
Mitchell Technical College

(Students must be 18 years old to participate)
PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT. MEDICAL RELEASE & WAIVER OF LIABILITY

Each participant must read and sign this Medical Release & Waiver of Liability form to compete in the rodeo. **Duplicate this form for each team member.**

I, _____ (hereinafter "Releasor"), competing individually and as part of a team
Name of Participant

representing _____, and residing at
Name of College

Full address of participant

with the intent of binding myself, my spouse, my heirs, legal representatives, and assigns, I execute this Release as my own free act and deed.

Releasor, being of lawful age, in consideration of being permitted to participate in the 2026 College Lineman Rodeo, to be held at Mitchell Technical College, Mitchell, SD on April 24, 2026, do for myself, my spouse, my heirs, legal representatives, and assigns, hereby release and forever discharge Mitchell Technical College, its elected and appointed officials, employees, students, agents, and volunteers (hereinafter "Releasees"), and Releasees' officers, directors, stockholders, heirs, executors, administrators, or legal representatives, or other successors in interest, of and from any and every claim, demand, action, or right of action, of whatever kind or nature, either in law or equity, arising from or by reason of said participation. Releasor waives the right to bring suit for and hereby assumes all risks of any bodily injuries, death, or property damage that may occur during or as a result of Releasor's participation in the 2026 College Lineman Rodeo or any activities in connection with the 2026 College Lineman Rodeo, whether caused by negligence of Releasees or otherwise. Releasor acknowledges that participation in the 2026 College Lineman Rodeo is completely voluntary.

Releasor further releases Releasees, other participants, and any professional person of any claim whatsoever on account of first aid, treatment, or services rendered during participation in the 2026 College Lineman Rodeo.

Releasor agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Releasees, their officers, directors, stockholders, employees, successors, and interests and each of them from any loss, liability, damage, or cost, including attorney's fees, they may incur due to the presence of Releasor in or upon the Mitchell Technical College Campus during the 2026 College Lineman Rodeo, whether caused by the negligence of Releasees or otherwise. Releasor further warrants and states that:

1. He/she has been thoroughly trained in climbing utility poles and in working on or atop utility poles without supervision.

2. He/she is aware of and understands all safety regulations and rules applicable to servicing, repairing, replacing, or otherwise working with or on electrical power lines and utility poles.
3. He/she will supply and use any and all equipment necessary for his/her participation in the 2026 College Lineman Rodeo, including, but not limited to, all hooks, belts, and hand tools.
4. He/she has inspected all of said equipment and tools, and he/she hereby states that they are in good condition, and that they are suitable and adequate for use in servicing, repairing, replacing, or otherwise working with or on electrical power lines and utility poles.
5. He/she is aware of all risks and dangers involved in participation in the 2026 College Lineman Rodeo including, without limitation, all risks associated with climbing or working on or atop utility poles where no fall arresting system, safety nets or other such devices are in use, and the risks associated with the failure of personal protective equipment such as belts, hooks, hardhats, and hand tools, and hereby states that his/her participation therein is voluntary.
6. He/she is acting of his/her own accord, and Releasees have in no way coerced, forced, or suggested that Releasor participate in the 2026 College Lineman Rodeo.
7. He/she hereby agrees and understands that Releasees have made no warranties as to the safety and condition at the 2026 College Lineman Rodeo and have not made any representations and warranties as to the condition of the grounds or done any soil testing, and Releasor hereby agrees that he/she enters onto the property at his/her own risk and that Releasees are merely providing the ground to Releasor.
8. I acknowledge I have been advised and encouraged to purchase individual insurance to provide coverage for illness or injuries that I incur during participation in 2026 College Lineman Rodeo. I acknowledge that Mitchell Technical College does not provide any coverage for costs associated with illness or injuries sustained by me while participating in the 2026 College Lineman Rodeo.
9. I permit and hereby give my consent to the taking of photographs, audio, and video of me and/or my likeness during my participation in activities related to the 2026 College Lineman Rodeo and authorize the publication and use of such as Mitchell Technical College deems appropriate.
10. This release contains the entire agreement between the parties hereto, and the terms of this Release are contractual and not merely recitals.

Releasor further states that he/she has carefully read the foregoing Release, and knows and understands the contents thereof, and signs this Release as his/her own free act.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Releasor has executed this Release on _____
Date

Print: _____

Signature: _____