

## **HackOHIO 2020 Code of Conduct & Waiver**

The Ohio State University – 11/13/20 - 11/15/20

HackOHIO is intended for collaboration and learning in the student community. We value the participation of each member of the student community and want all attendees to have an enjoyable and fulfilling experience. Accordingly, all attendees are expected to show respect and courtesy to other attendees throughout the hackathon.

To make clear what is expected, all attendees and speakers at this hackathon are required to conform to the following Code of Conduct. Organizers will enforce this code throughout the event.

- Harassment includes but is not limited to offensive verbal or written comments related to gender, age, sexual orientation, disability, physical appearance, body size, race, religion, sexual images in public spaces, deliberate intimidation, stalking, following, harassing photography or recording, sustained disruption of talks or other events, inappropriate physical contact, and unwelcome sexual attention. If what you're doing is making someone feel uncomfortable, that counts as harassment and is enough reason to stop.
- Participants asked to stop any harassing behavior are expected to comply immediately. If participants fail to comply they will be asked to leave the event.
- Be careful and mindful of the words that you choose. Remember that sexist, racist, and other exclusionary comments and hacks can be offensive to those around you.
- If a participant engages in behavior that violates this code of conduct, the hackathon organizers will take any action they deem appropriate, including warning the offender or expulsion from the hackathon

If you feel uncomfortable or think there may be a potential violation of the code of conduct, please report it immediately to one of the organizers.

Adapted from MLH Code of Conduct - <http://static.mlh.io/docs/mlh-code-of-conduct.pdf>

### **Official Mechanics of Hackathon**

#### **Intellectual Property**

The team warrants that the entry is their original idea and does not infringe on the intellectual property rights of any third party. Participants are responsible for securing appropriate protection for any Intellectual Property (IP) contributed by the team members. In the absence of such protection, participants should restrict themselves to non-enabling disclosures of their IP. Entries that have won major awards (1st, 2nd, 3rd) in any international, national or school competitions cannot be entered. Wireless service applications that are already in commercial production may not be entered. The Ohio State University shall not be liable to any participant for commercializing ideas that have been independently developed but are similar in concept to submitted entries.

Any code or material produced during the event is the intellectual property of the parties who created said code. As part of the judging process, to determine eligibility for prizes, participants may be asked to provide access to their code or material.

#### **Waiver**

Participants agree to abide by the terms of these Official Mechanics and by the decisions of the organizers and/or the judges, which are final and binding on all matters pertaining to this contest. By joining the contest, the participants agree to waive any right to claim ambiguity or error in these Official Mechanics. Except where prohibited by law, the winners consent to the use of their name and/or likeness by The Ohio State University for advertising and publicity purposes without compensation.

Each participant agrees that The Ohio State University on behalf of its Libraries, College of Engineering, Department of Computer Science & Engineering and the OHIO coalition of student organizations and its agents, representatives, affiliates, and employees will have no liability whatsoever for any injuries, losses, or damages of any kind resulting from his participation in the contest, or resulting from the acceptance, possession, or use of these prizes, nor in any way are responsible for any warranty, representation, or guaranty, express or implied, in fact or in law, relative to any prize, including but not limited to the quality, condition, or fitness.

Each participant warrants that it holds the necessary intellectual property right(s) over the entry, undertakes sole responsibility for any adverse or infringement claim(s) thereon, and further holds The Ohio State University, its Libraries, College of Engineering, Department of Computer Science & Engineering, and the OHIO coalition of student organizations and its directors, officers, employees, agents, subsidiaries and affiliates free from any liability arising out of such adverse or infringement claim(s) including claim(s) for damages.

### **Photo Release**

I hereby give my irrevocable consent to OHI/O to use, reproduce, exhibit, and display my name, likeness, photograph, voice, inputs, comments, and video recordings of me, the participant (collectively, the "Images"), alone or with others, in whole or in part, in electronic form or otherwise, without further obligation to me, in any and all OHI/O internal and external publicity for any purpose and in any and all media now known or hereinafter developed, throughout the world in perpetuity.

I understand that there may be third parties at the event who may photograph, film, or videotape me (collectively, "Third Party Photos"). Such third parties are not required to obtain my separate permission for use of the Third Party Photos. I agree that OHI/O is not liable for the use and/or publishing of such Third Party Photos, and I hereby release OHI/O from any claims I may have regarding the Third Party Photos.