

Welcome to

The Stony Point High School Golden Dancers

Our Purpose:

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The RRISD Dance Team Mission

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The RRISD Dance Team Vision

With the respect for the traditions of RRISD Dance Teams, each campus will strive to develop artistry through movement. Every team will encourage members to reach their fullest potential and recognize their value as a person. These objectives will prepare each member to be successful and contributing members of a diverse society.

Audition Eligibility Information

Eligibility:

To qualify for membership and participate in auditioning for Golden Dancers:

1. Candidates must be in 8th, 9th, 10th, or 11th, grades by credits earned for the previous year.
2. A candidate must be academically eligible at the time of auditions to audition for Golden Dancers
3. Students will not be eligible if they have been dismissed for disciplinary reasons from ANY high school extracurricular activities including but not limited to dance team, colorguard, band, choir, cheerleading, or athletic teams for one school year prior to infraction.
4. Candidates must be in good standing with all faculty and principals.
5. Any student who has received multiple days of ISS, OSS, or has attended RROC, is not eligible for the dance team.
6. Candidates must not have committed a severe code of conduct violation and/or Senate Bill 1 violation, have received a DWI, DUI, MIP, citation (excludes moving vehicle), or been arrested during the school year in which tryouts are to occur.
7. All current Golden Dancers do not need to re-audition as long as they are in good standing.
8. Each student must attend the audition clinic in its entirety, which will be conducted on days, times and locations set by the Directors. Only prior notification of an acceptable absence (deemed by directors) will be excused.
9. To qualify for membership and participation as a Golden Dancer, you must read the Golden Dancer Audition Handbook and submit all required signed paperwork at the Audition clinic.
10. Applications are completed and submitted by the date and time stated in the Audition Packet.
11. If a new member loses membership for any disciplinary reasons in any school organization following the Golden Dancer Team audition date, the student is ineligible to re-audition the following school year.

Expenses

1. Every effort is made to keep expenses reasonable. There will be a required \$75 activity fee for each dancer. Each dancer will be required to purchase a set of team t-shirts. Jackets, backpacks and additional dancewear will be optional to purchase, but are highly encouraged.
 - a. The Golden Dancer Uniform items are property of Stony Point High School and must be returned in excellent condition at the end of the school year or the member will be responsible for the cost of the item/items if returned damaged.
2. In an effort to keep our fees reasonable, we may do fundraisers throughout the year to help fund the team. **Fundraising is not optional.** We expect all members to participate.
3. All money should be given to the Director personally in the dance office.

4. No refunds are given. If a student is removed from the team, they must be current and up to date on their payments. They will not be refunded any money. If a student decides not to participate in Golden Dancers for any reason, they will not be refunded this money.

Participation Requirements

1. A dance team member will serve the first day of school through the last day of the school year.
2. If a member resigns before the end of the last day of the following school year, she/he will forfeit their membership for the subsequent year.
3. The student must be an incoming 9th-12th grader in good standing.
4. Members must be willing to carry out all provisions of the Golden Dancers rules and regulations.
5. Members must be willing to resign gracefully upon failure to live up to the requirements of membership.
6. The Golden Dancers organization is a year round performance group. Members are required to participate in football season, basketball season, competition season, spring show, and various other performance opportunities.
7. Golden Dancers will not audition for performances.
8. All dancers must practice all routines for all performances even if they have been removed from the performance.
9. A member may be cut from a dance for the following: lack of memory, technique, projection, flexibility, coordination, strength, style or endurance. The Director makes the final decision on who is chosen and formations for a dance.
10. Golden Dancers must be enrolled in the Golden Dancer class.
11. Golden Dancers must comply with the Stony Point High School Golden Dancer Team Handbook, UIL rules, and the RRISD Athletic Code of Conduct Handbook. Should a student be cited for illegal activities outside of school, she/he will be removed immediately from the team. A student will also be removed immediately if there is any photo evidence brought to the Director of illegal activity participation.
12. Participation in any event requires members to be in complete uniform.
13. Golden Dancers are expected to be in attendance during class rehearsals. If a member is going to miss class for any reason they must notify the Director in **advance**. The easiest way to do so is through the BAND app, or email: kendall_crosby@roundrockisd.org. The member must send an email or message the director BEFORE practice starts.

Practice Policies

1. Golden Dancers will practice during their class period, and will occasionally have practice before or after school, or on Saturday
2. If a member is going to miss practice for any reason, they must have approval from the Director.
3. If a member is ill the day of practice, they must get in contact with the director to let them know before practice begins.
4. A member should notify the director if they will be tardy.

5. Special practices will *not* be formally arranged for those who miss any days of practice.
6. Practices will be conducted by the directors who will be assisted by the Leaders.
7. A Golden Dancer member must be responsible for all items needed during practice (ex: poms, dance shoes, bandaids, hair-ties, etc.)
8. No gum or open drinks are allowed in the dance room at any time, unless approved by the director for a specific reason or occasion.
9. All dance bags, books, coats, and personal items should be stored and locked in school lockers.
10. Cell phones may not be turned on/used during dance team practices or events (excluding bus rides), unless otherwise given permission by the director.
11. Golden Dancers are not to operate any school-owned video or audio equipment without permission of the director.
12. Golden Dancers should not be in the director's office or the storage closet unless invited or sent in by the director for a specific purpose.
13. If a Golden Dancer is tardy or absent to a rehearsal, that person is responsible for all choreography, polish, information, and announcements that they missed. That person should be caught up on the day that they return.

Performances

1. It is possible to be a member of Golden Dancers and not perform in every performance. This includes football, basketball, competition, pep rallies, spring show, and any other performances selected by the Directors.
2. If a member knows they are going to miss a performance for any reason, they must have approval from the Director at least one month in advance.
3. Members who are wearing unacceptable, incomplete performance attire will not be allowed to perform. This includes tights.
4. Per the student code of conduct and dress code: Piercings and tattoos cannot be visible during performances or they will be benched from performances and events. Earrings may be used by the entire team as part of the competition costume and will be provided by the Directors.
5. Members must have natural hair color to appear in uniform or costume. Your hair will need to be styled as a team. Golden Dancers often curl hair, braids, and/or wear ponytails or buns. Pin and hairspray must be used during performances. If your hair falls during a performance you will receive a demerit.

Attendance Policies

Tardy – no more than 15 minutes late

Absence – more than 15 minutes late or leaving practice more than 15 minutes early

1. If a member is absent from a practice, it is her/his responsibility to acquire any missed information during their time of absence.
2. If a member is absent from any 3 practices focused on a specific routine, they will be ineligible to perform.
3. Any member absent the last practice before a performance will be ineligible to perform.
4. Late notice about missing a performance due to outside work or extra curricular responsibilities will not be excused and will be pulled from any upcoming performance.
5. Golden Dancers must travel to all activities with the team, unless otherwise approved by the Director.
6. A member may not leave any function for any reason other than illness, injury, or death in the family. In the event that a member has been given permission by the Director, they may only depart with a parent or guardian. The Director must also be given a signed note from the parent/guardian.

Golden Dancer Conduct Policies

Harassment and Bullying Policy

A Golden Dancer is not to engage in any type of activity that would be considered bullying or harassment. Any behavior of the sort, on or off campus, will result in consequences for their 1st offense and removal from the for the 2nd offense as deemed appropriate by the Directors and Administrators. According to the RRISD Student Code of Conduct, bullying occurs when a student or group of students directs written or verbal expressions or physical conduct against another student and the behavior results in harm to the student or the student's property, or it is so severe that it creates an intimidating, threatening, or abusive educational environment.

Harassment is conduct so severe that it:

- 1) Affects the students ability to participate in or benefit from an education program or activity
- 2) Creates an intimidating, threatening, hostile or offensive educational environment
- 3) Substantially interferes with the student's academic performance

Examples of harassment may include, but are not limited to:

- 1) Offensive or derogatory language directed at a person's religious belief or practices, accent, skin color, or need for accommodation
- 2) Cyberbullying, which is defined as the use of information and communication technologies, such as email, cell phone, or paper messages, instant messaging, defamatory personal websites, and defamatory online personal bullying websites to support deliberate, repeated and hostile behavior by an individual and group that is intended to harm other. This includes but is not limited to: Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Snapchat, and other social media sites.
- 3) Threatening or intimidating conduct

- 4) Offensive jokes, name calling, slurs, rumors, physical aggression or assault
- 5) Graffiti or printed materials promoting racial, ethnic, or negative stereotypes
- 6) Other aggressive conduct such as theft of damage to property

Hazing and Initiation

Golden Dancers are not to engage in any type of activity that would be considered hazing. Any behavior of the sort will result in consequences as deemed appropriate by the Directors and SPHS Administrators.

According to the Round Rock ISD Student Code Of Conduct, hazing is defined as any intentional, knowing, or reckless act occurring on or off campus directed against a student that endangers the mental or physical health or the safety of a student for the purpose of pledging, being initiated to, affiliating with, holding office in, or maintaining membership in any organization whose members are or include other students.

1. Hazing will not be tolerated by the district.
2. If an incident of hazing occurs, disciplinary consequences will be handled in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.
3. It is a criminal offense if a person engages in hazing; solicits, encourages, directs, aids, or attempts to aid another in hazing; or has firsthand knowledge of an incident of hazing being planned or having occurred and fails to report this to the principal or superintendent.

Social Media Use

Members of Golden Dancers will be held accountable for any information found on any Internet Social Community including but not limited to questionable photographs, obscene/inappropriate language, verbal slurs, and negative information about themselves and/or the Golden Dancer organization.

Golden Dancers are responsible for any information associated with their name. The appropriate consequence will be implemented upon the Director receiving the information as deemed appropriate by the directors and administrators.

It is important that you take as much care with this online reputation as you do with your real life reputation.

Social Media Contract

As a Golden Dancer you represent this organization at all times. While a member of Golden Dancers, you must follow these guidelines. Your presence on these accounts must align with the standards, values, and morals that the Golden Dancers uphold and represent. This includes Stony Point High School, our community, and Round Rock ISD.

1. You must follow @sphsgoldendancers on Instagram, and allow the account to follow you. You are NOT allowed to block this accounts at any point in time.
2. You are only allowed one account per social media source. No fake, spam, or second private accounts are allowed..
3. Suggestive poses in revealing clothing, inappropriate bikini photos, explicit language or sexual content posts, pictures or responses are NOT allowed. This will result in probation set by the Directors.
4. Any posting of illegal activities, including- smoking, vaping, drinking, any sort of drug paraphernalia are prohibited. This will result in a loss of membership- no questions asked.
5. Rule of thumb- if you question if the content breaks any of these rules, DO NOT POST IT- YOU WILL BE HELD RESPONSIBLE.

Behavior Expectations

1. Display appropriate manners and behaviors at all times, in or out of uniform.
2. Treat others with respect and courtesy.
3. Always listen attentively to instructions and announcements.
4. Be present and on time to class, practices, performances, and events.
5. Always give 100%
6. Follows the rules
7. Commit to teamwork
8. Be present, on time, responsible, and organized
9. Don't gossip
10. Have a positive attitude
11. Talk to your directors - we cannot help you if we do not know!
12. Consistently work on your dance skills
13. Follow the Tobacco, Drug, and Alcohol RRISD Extracurricular Policy

Academic Expectations

All members must pass all of their classes to be eligible to perform as mandated by the state of Texas:

Golden Dancer Class Grading Policy

1. Grades for the Golden Dancer Drill Team will be assigned according to a member's willingness to follow policies/procedures and their engagement in class.
2. A Golden Dancer will receive a weekly grade composed of dressing out in correct attire, having the appropriate props/forms for practice, and actively engaging in practice.

Academic Eligibility

1. All members must meet all grade requirements as outlined by the State Board of Education, Texas Education Agency, UIL and state law.
2. Any member receiving a grade lower than a 70 is considered failing as mandated by the state of Texas.
3. Failure to pass all classes will result in a three to six week period of ineligibility as mandated by the state of Texas.
4. If after three weeks the member is failing any one class or more, the ineligibility period continues until the end of the nine week period as mandated by the state of Texas.
5. All members must maintain all required academic standards for eligibility to maintain membership as mandated by the state of Texas.
6. If a member fails two nine weeks of any class in the school year (consecutive or nonconsecutive,) they will be removed from Golden Dancers.

Academic Ineligibility

When you are academically ineligible, you are still a member of Golden Dancers. You continue to attend all rehearsals and practices. You continue to dress out and learn movement unless stipulated differently by the Director and/or Administration.

If a member is Academically Ineligible, the State of Texas mandates that members:

1. Cannot ride with the team to games, contests, or other activities
2. Cannot get in free to football games, contests or other activities
3. Cannot perform with the team
4. Cannot sit with the group at football games, contests, backstage during spring show or other activities
5. Cannot wear either district-owned field uniform or school-owned costumes

Higher Level Courses & Waivers

Higher level courses consist of the following: honors, pre-AP, AP, and IB.

1. If your grade is below 70, you will follow the same ineligibility guidelines as stated above.
2. If you fail one higher level course on your six weeks report card with a grade of 60-69, you may be eligible to get a waiver. A student can get one waiver per semester. The student must request the waiver in-person from the principal's secretary. It must then be signed by a dance team director, the teacher who assigned the failing grade, and finally the principal. The waiver must be completed within one week (or before the UIL activity for which the student would like to be eligible).
3. If you fail more than one higher level class on your six weeks report card, no matter what grades you made, you will follow the same ineligibility guidelines as stated above.

Inactive Program

The inactive program is for Golden Dancer members who need to step away from Golden Dancers in order to focus solely on their academic studies/grades or severe medical needs. The necessity of this program will be decided on a case-by-case basis and should only be employed when the student is at dire risk of failure and severe medical needs..

1. To go “inactive”, the Golden Dancer and a parent needs to schedule a meeting with the Director(s) to discuss the length of the inactive period.
2. While inactive, the member is not allowed to rehearse, travel, or perform with the team.
3. While inactive and not attending rehearsals, the member should understand that they may be pulled from performances/dance routines for which they have not been rehearsing.
4. Academics
 - a. Our goal for these team members is to allow them ample time to focus on their academics, NOT dance team. Without success in academics, we lose dancers to ineligibility.
 - i. At the end of the inactive period, if the student is still not able to return to normal Golden Dancer activity due to academic struggles, removal from Golden Dancers will be discussed.
5. Medical
 - a. During the inactive period, the Golden Dancer is to follow their physician’s orders and will keep in constant communication with Director.
 - i. Our goal for these team members is to allow them ample time to focus on their health, NOT dance team.
 - ii. At the end of the inactive period, if the student is still not able to return to normal Golden Dancer activity due to medical conditions, removal from Golden Dancers will be discussed.

Demerits

Demerits will be assigned for each of the following violations:

Tardies:

- Less than 5 minutes = a warning (first time is excused, second time results in a demerit if you are late regardless of time)
- 5 minutes or more = 1 demerit
- To a performance = 2 demerits

Absences:

- Excused before absence= 0 demerits
- Excused after absence= 1 demerit (no advance phone call, text or email notification to the Director)
- Unexcused from practice= 2 demerits
- Unexcused from performance= 5 demerits

Quantity of Demerits Violation

10-Home School Suspension (HSS) or OC placement

10-Inappropriate representation of the Golden Dancer organization (including use of the internet and social media platforms) or use of illegal substances.

7-In School Suspension (ISS)

5-10 Bullying or Harassment

3 - Any visible piercings or tattoos that distract or disfigure the face and/or body. See Director about appropriate piercings allowed.

3 - Failure to remove any piercings/body jewelry, or cover a tattoo for a performance

1 - 5 Being disrespectful to the Director, fellow teammate or SPSHS faculty.

1 - 5 Inappropriate behavior during school, practice or performance, including but not limited to fighting, dress code violation, and public displays of affection (PDA).

1 - 5 Any act committed after a Director' warning.

1 - 5 Leaving rehearsal or performance without a Director permission.

1-5 Profanity or disrespect.

5 Not showing up to a required performance or function.

1-5 Being unprepared for a performance (costume, uniform, hair, makeup, toe/fingernail polish, jewelry etc.)

1-4 Taking items from the closet without permission from the Director.

1-2 Eating or drinking in uniform.

2 Failure to email the Director prior to any rehearsal, performance, work session, or meeting from which you will be absent - whether we are dancing that day or not

1 Cell phone usage during practice or a performance that isn't permitted.

1 Items turned in late (1 per day, regardless of A/B day).

1 Unprepared for rehearsal- Forgot shoes, costume, required items etc..

1 Failure to meet responsibilities- Turning in money on time, paperwork deadlines, etc...

1 Talking excessively during rehearsal

1 Failure to wear the appropriate cover-ups to and from rehearsal and failure to take cover-ups off during rehearsal.

1 Failure to label ALL belongings

1 Hair falling down or losing part of a uniform or costume during a performance

1-10 Leaving behind school owned property - Uniform pieces, costumes etc...

1-10 Other offenses deemed by the Director

General Conduct

Golden Dancers must comply with all expectations which are written and verbally addressed by the Director. Non-compliance will result in consequences to be determined by the Director.

Members that do not comply with set expectations may receive conditioning consequences or demerits, which may lead to benching or possible termination.

1. 5 demerits = Suspension for 1 performance.

****In order to hold or audition for a Leader position, you may not have more than 5 demerits upon the time of tryouts or you will be ineligible to audition.****

2. 7 demerits = Suspension for the following performance.

3. 10 demerits= Dismissal from the Team.

Members are responsible for notifying parents or guardians of any warnings or demerits they receive.

1. Participation in Golden Dancers is a privilege which carries with it responsibilities to the school, to the organization, to the student body and in the community. Therefore, a Golden Dancer is never to be truant from class. She/he is never to smoke, drink, or use any kind of illegal drug either on or off campus while a member of the team. Profanity shall not be a part of her/his vocabulary. She/he must maintain sound citizenship and desirable social traits.

Remember, your attitude and behavior reflects on the entire team.

2. Golden Dancers are never to be at an event where any illegal activities are taking place.

Regardless of whether the Golden Dancer is participating in the activities or not, regardless of whether an adult is present or not. Golden Dancers are expected to not participate or be around any illegal activities or they will be dismissed from the team immediately.

3. Demerits accumulate throughout each semester. **IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO BE AWARE OF YOUR DEMERIT SITUATION.** They will start over at the end of each school year for the following year.

4. Demerits cannot be removed. They start over at the beginning of each school year.

5. Golden Dancers will be held accountable for their behavior both in and out of school. This includes any kind of social media site. Golden Dancers will not post inappropriate subject matter or use inappropriate language on any of these sites.

6. Golden Dancers must adhere to all rules/regulations all year long. This includes summer and winter break.

Team Costumes and Uniforms

- Golden Dancers can wear any type of form fitting athletic or dancewear clothing to practice.
- Revealing wear is prohibited, such as plunging necklines, short shorts, sports bras, crop tops, etc.
- You must wear the correct footwear needed in practice for that day
- Jewelry and **gum** is not allowed during practice.
- You cannot lend any Golden Dancer team gear or uniform to friends.

- RRISD owns your field uniform and poms and we expect it to be treated with care

Cleaning Field Uniforms

- Uniform pieces must be washed in cold water
- Use a soft head toothbrush with a gentle scrub to get off any makeup or dirt.
- Do not use bleach or Oxyclean. It will ruin your uniform.
- Let all pieces air dry. Never put it in the dryer.
- Never take your uniform to the dry cleaners
- Never leave your uniform in your car. Sequins will melt and white will turn yellow.

Costumes

- Costumes are owned by RRISD and Stony Point High School.
- Make sure to receive permission before you alter any costume
- Wait for instruction at the end of the season on how to clean each costume properly before returning them to the school.
- All costumes and field uniforms must be turned in in the exact condition and way they were received. For example, if you received it in a bag, turn it in, in the bag.
- If you lose or damage a costume or uniform, you will have to replace it by purchasing another.

Parent/Director Communication

Director Communication

1. If a Golden Dancer and/or Parent is upset, please wait at least 24 hours before you engage in communication. Do NOT angrily confront the Directors, leaders, and/or students at that time. If you do, you will be asked to leave immediately and will be escorted by an administrator or an SRO.
2. Encourage your student to talk with the Directors first. This will often clear things up. Remember your child is on the team, not a parent.
3. Parents and/or Golden Dancers should address their concerns with the Golden Dancer Directors before contacting a school administrator. Just as with any class, the teacher should be contacted first and allowed to address the issue. If the concern is not addressed to the satisfaction of the student or parent, then contacting an administrator is encouraged.
4. Email is preferred and can often be responded to more promptly than a phone call.
5. If a concern arises when school is not in session (summer, holiday breaks, etc), parents may contact the Golden Dancer Director via email. The director will return emails as soon as possible; however, accessibility to the director will be limited during these times.
6. If a Golden Dancer has a concern after school/practice hours, then that member email the Directors.
7. Parents WILL NOT contact a Golden Dancer leader regarding a concern. All parent concerns must be addressed with the Director.

8. If a parent cannot appropriately and maturely communicate with the Directors, other Golden Dancer Parents and/or Golden Dancer members, the Golden Dancer member may be dismissed from the team.
9. **Meeting Protocol:** No parent meetings will be conducted if the dancer has not met with a director first. We will only meet regarding ways your dancer specifically can improve. An agenda for the meeting must be provided PRIOR to scheduling the meeting.
 - a. We will not meet about placement in formations. We will not discuss other dancers.
 - i. Order of meetings:
 - ii. Directors- Dancer
 - iii. Directors- Dancer- Parent
 - iv. Directors- Dancer- Parent- Principal
 - v. Email policy: If a parent emails the directors, we will inform the dancer of the email and it's content UNLESS it jeopardizes the dancers' health or safety.

COVID-19 Clause

EFFECTIVE Jan 20th, 2022.

Absences

Any Covid related absences from practice leading up to the Monday before our first contest will not count towards a member's eligibility to perform at contest for the 2022 Spring contest season. Performance eligibility will be based on a student's content knowledge and performance ability per routine. All absences need to be reported to the directors prior to the absence to be considered for Covid related reasons. If you will be out for multiple dates due to quarantine, daily contact is not required once an official return date is provided to the directors.

The Monday the week of the contest- ALL forms will be set on this date. NO alterations will be made.

How to Recover missed cleaning/content taught during rehearsals:

As a district, RRISD is not offering virtual learning at this time. Therefore, **we are no longer able to offer zoom or any live/synchronous virtual learning.** Content from practice will be recorded and posted in the Team Google Drive for viewing and self-practice by the absent team member. **Upon return, the dancer will be held accountable for all material learned during their absence.** The dancer's knowledge and proficiency per routine will be evaluated and the dancer may be pulled at the director's discretion based on their performance ability.

What Do I need to do if I Test Positive for Covid?

Please contact the directors, Mrs. Crosby or Mrs. Wassmuth, to let us know that you will not be able to attend practice. Be sure to complete the [Student Self Report form](#) so the school can code your attendance properly. You will receive more instruction in regards to quarantine and the date of return from the campus covid coordinator. Please let us know your return date so we

know when to expect you back. Check Google Drive daily to watch and stay up to date with the latest cleaning and polish to help ensure you are prepared upon your return.

Please continue to read below for RRISD extracurricular activities code of conduct

RRISD Extracurricular Code of Conduct

I. Extracurricular Activities

The term “extracurricular activities” means, without limitation, all interscholastic athletics, cheerleading, drill team, academic clubs, school approved clubs, extra curricular fine arts performances, student government, and any other activity or group that participates in contests, competitions, or community service projects on behalf of or as a representative of the District. The term includes any non-curricular event and membership or participation in groups, clubs, and organizations recognized and approved by the Board of Trustees and the school district and sponsored by the district or a campus. All extracurricular activity participants, including elected and appointed officers of all campus organizations, will be subject to the provisions of this Extracurricular Code of Conduct.

II. Jurisdiction

Student participation in extracurricular activities is encouraged. Round Rock ISD makes extracurricular activities available as an extension of the regular school program, with this important difference: participation in the regular curriculum is a right afforded by law to each student, while participation in the extracurricular activities is a privilege that carries additional expectations for acceptable conduct. Students engaging in extracurricular activities represent not only themselves, but also other students and the school district when performing, competing, or participating in extracurricular activities and while wearing uniforms or other clothing that identifies the student to the community or public in any setting as Round Rock ISD students. For this reason, their behavior must be exemplary and reflect the finest attributes of the total Round Rock ISD student body at all times and places. Important goals of the extracurricular activities are to give students direction in developing self-discipline, responsibility, pride, loyalty, leadership, teamwork, respect for authority, and healthy living habits.

Because participation in extracurricular activities is a **privilege and not a right**, Round Rock ISD is authorized to set higher standards for participants of extracurricular activities than it would for those students who choose not to participate in these activities. Therefore, this *Extracurricular Code of Conduct* extends beyond the *Round Rock ISD Student Code of Conduct* not only in types of behavior prohibited, but also in corresponding consequences and jurisdiction for imposing discipline. In case of a conflict between this Code and the activity or sport specific campus handbook, the Code will prevail.

This *Extracurricular Code of Conduct* will be enforced with all students grades 7th-12th participating in extracurricular activities:

- regardless of whether school is in session;
- regardless of whether the student is directly involved with the extracurricular activity at the time the prohibited conduct occurs;
- regardless of whether the extracurricular activity is in-season; and
- regardless of where or when the conduct occurs.

It is possible that a student who violates the *Round Rock ISD Student Code of Conduct* will incur consequences from both the appropriate school administrator and from his or her coach or sponsor for the same particular violation. It is also possible that a student participating in extracurricular activities could violate the *Extracurricular Code of Conduct* and be subject to

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discipline by a coach or sponsor without having violated the *Round Rock ISD Student Code of Conduct*.

III. Prohibited Conduct

Round Rock ISD students who participate in extracurricular activities are prohibited at all times from:

- any conduct resulting in arrest and/or citations from law enforcement officers; this does not include minor traffic violations.
- Social media misconduct will be addressed in the handbook in the area of Athletics and Fine Arts. All extracurricular activities fall under the RRISD Student Code of Conduct.

IV. Procedures

The coach, director and/or sponsor will determine whether an *Extracurricular Code of Conduct* violation has occurred. Upon determination of an *Extracurricular Code of Conduct* violation, the following individuals will be notified:

1. student
2. student's parent(s) or guardian(s);
3. campus administrator
4. appropriate school counselor to provide counseling, support, and guidance in dealing with issues associated with alcohol, drugs, mood-altering chemicals, and other prohibited activities.

V. Disciplinary Action

Coaches, directors, campus administrators, and sponsors will review all the facts and circumstances surrounding a particular violation and impose appropriate disciplinary action. Campus administrators may remove a student who violates the *Extracurricular Code of Conduct* from the extracurricular activity.

Violation of any of the above-mentioned rules by a student participating in extracurricular activities will be subject to the following disciplinary action:

• Suspension from all extracurricular activities as outlined below:

First Offense:

The first offense will result in a three-week suspension from the extracurricular activity (ECA) that the participant is currently enrolled in. The suspension becomes effective immediately following the *notification, review and confirmation* of a violation. Suspension includes travel in a school vehicle to and from competition. The suspension does not include practice; however the campus administration may also impose a suspension on practice.

Second Offense:

Removal from all extracurricular activities for one calendar year.

A student who is cited for an offense while not in-season (off-season) or over the summer will receive "one strike", with a second offense resulting in removal from extracurricular activities for one calendar year.

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Re-admission into the extracurricular activity is at the discretion of the coach, director, or sponsor.

Nothing in this *Extracurricular Code of Conduct* limits the authority of a coach, director, or sponsor to impose reasonable sanctions, including extra workouts, and/or community service for students who breach team or organization conduct expectations but do not engage in prohibited conduct.

VI. Appeals

Questions or complaints from parents regarding disciplinary measures should be addressed to the campus administration, in accordance with Policy FNG (Local). A copy of this policy may be obtained from the principal's office or the central administration office or through Policy On Line at the following address: www.roundrockisd.org

Disciplinary consequences will not be deferred pending the outcome of an appeal.