

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 750
COLD SPRING, MINNESOTA

BEHAVIOR AT SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

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I. PURPOSE

The Board of Education recognizes the significant value of school activities to the participants, to the entire student body, and to the community. The purpose of this policy is to impart to students, employees and the community the school district's policy related to the student activity program.

II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

School activities provide additional opportunities for students to pursue special interests that contribute to their physical, mental and emotional well-being. They are of secondary importance in relationship to the formal instructional program; however, they complement the instructional program in providing students with additional opportunities for growth and development. The behavior of all ROCORI students, staff, and spectators is expected to be a positive reflection of themselves, their school, and their community.

III. GUIDELINES FOR BEHAVIOR AT SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

- A. The standards of courtesy, fair play and good sportsmanship should be evident at all times.
- B. Audiences should treat performers and speakers with respect and courtesy and shall refrain from inappropriate noise or any activity that might distract from the performance or presentation.
- C. Teams, officials, coaches and participants should be treated with respect by spectators, coaches, and players alike.
- D. Spectators, participants, and coaches should accept and respect the decisions made by officials.
- E. Spectators, participants, and coaches are expected to support the activity enthusiastically but refrain from disparaging remarks, put-downs, yells, signs, booing, or any other action that would be demeaning, disrespectful, or discouraging.
- F. All other school policies or MSHSL rules apply when at school activities and when on school property.

IV. RESPONSIBILITY

- A. The school board expects all students who participate in school sponsored activities to represent the school and community in a responsible manner. All rules pertaining to student conduct and student discipline extend to school activities.

- B. The school board expects all spectators at school sponsored activities, including parents, employees, and other members of the public, to behave in an appropriate manner at those activities. Students and employees may be subject to discipline and parents and other spectators may be subject to sanctions for engaging in misbehavior or inappropriate, illegal or unsportsmanlike behavior at these activities or events.
- C. It shall be the responsibility of the superintendent to disseminate information needed to inform students, parents, staff and the community of the opportunities available within the school activity program and the rules of participation.
- D. Those students who participate in Minnesota State High School League (MSHSL) activities must also abide by the league rules. It shall be the responsibility of those employees who conduct MSHSL activities to familiarize students and parents with all applicable rules, penalties, and opportunities.

V. IMPLEMENTATION AND MONITORING

Violations of this policy may result in removal from the event and/or future events. This policy applies to anyone attending a ROCORI activity or event. The superintendent, through the Activities Director, shall be responsible for conducting an annual evaluation of school activity programs and presenting the results and any recommendations to the school board.