

# Goldies Code of Conduct

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of the Cibola Goldenettes is to provide students with an opportunity to participate in an activity and develop sportsmanship, character, and competitiveness. Participation on the Goldenettes, as well as other extracurricular activities, is a privilege, not a right. As a member of the Goldenettes you represent our school; and your conduct and actions in the classroom, on the court/field, and in the community should not deviate from the regulations and code of conduct set by our school and the Athletic Department. Team members must show determination, dedication, and desire to be a productive member of this team.

**CONDUCT RULES:** The use or possession of tobacco, alcohol or drugs ON or OFF school premises will not be tolerated. Use of any of these will result in removal from the Goldenettes for the remainder of the school year. Any student who engages in a criminal activity will be denied participation on the Goldenettes. Any civil infraction (whether or not pursued by civil law authorities) or conduct by a team member that is determined by the coach and/or school administration to be detrimental to the program, school, or school district will result in dismissal from the team. Other rules of conduct will be the same as those listed in the student handbook for all school activities. Any violation or deviation from the student code of conduct lists in the student handbook will also be reason for removal or denial of participation on the Goldenettes. It is YOUR responsibility to take the initiative to read your student handbook and know what the rules are and abide by them.

**BE APPROPRIATE.** We expect for our dancers to uphold appropriate behavior at all times. If your actions are not deemed appropriate and do not coincide with this organization's guidelines you will be denied participation on this Goldenettes.

**DEDICATION:** There is a level of commitment required to be a part of the Goldenettes. You must have a desired level of commitment not just for yourself, but for your **ENTIRE** team. As a part of the Goldenettes, you are making a commitment to all of your teammates that you will be on time, practice to best of your ability and learn and execute the routines. If at anytime you are not doing your part as a productive member of this team, you will risk the possibility of being cut from performances and competitions.

**PERFORMANCES:** For any and all performances, you will be provided a performance schedule with an arrival time, performance time and performance length. This also applies Cibola High School athletic events such as football, volleyball and basketball games that the Goldenettes will cheer/perform at. Dancers must be at the performance by the ARRIVAL TIME! Dancers must arrive dressed in full uniform, hair and makeup complete and ready to perform. If the Dancer fails to show up performance ready at the arrival time, the dancer WILL NOT PERFORM.

**COMPETITIONS:** Being selected to compete and perform with the team is a privilege, not a right. The purpose of this team is not only to compete, but to learn the art of dance. It is our goal to make this an enjoyable experience, teaching them how to compete at a high level and to contribute to the confidence, self-esteem and self-image of the dancers. If you are cut from a competition please refer to the reasons listed below under the heading NON-PERFORMERS. When selecting dancers for performances or competitions, we will refer to the following criteria: Your dancer must be confident and capable of performing all routines in order to be selected to perform or compete. Dancers may be selected to perform/compete one or all of the routines. Dancers are required to learn and practice ALL routines. It is solely at the discretion of the coaches as to which dancers will perform/compete in which routines. Team members must stay with the team during all practices, performances, and competitions unless given permission by the coach to do otherwise!

**FUNDRAISERS:** We try to alleviate cost on the parents by doing fundraisers for competition fees, uniforms, makeup and accessories. In order to do this we need the support of not only the dancers, but also the parents to make fund raising a success. It is mandatory that all dancers attend fundraisers, unless excused due to extenuating circumstances. Each dancer will have their time logged as if "clocking in" for a job. Each dancer is expected to pull equal weight in fundraising. In order to keep things fair, each dancer will be expected to raise the same amount of funds, which will then be attributed to a single team account. If a dancer is unable to raise the full amount, the remainder will be requested from the parents, although it is not a requirement that payment be made. Please keep in mind, though, that the amounts set for fundraising are not arbitrary figures, but represent the amount needed to participate in camps, competitions, buy uniforms, etc... You can opt to pay out your dancer's amount if they choose not to participate in fundraising.

**FRIENDS/BOYFRIENDS:** Being on the Goldenettes requires practice, focus and concentration. We ask that our practices and studio time remain team-only, with no friends or boyfriends present inside the practice space during practices. If we want to succeed as a team, it is important that we minimize distractions as we all learn the routines.

**PARENTS/RIDES:** It is important that rides for dancers are prompt. Students are to be dropped off for summer or weekend practice NO EARLIER than 20 minutes before practice time. They are to be picked up NO LATER than 10 minutes after practice is over. Please make sure you/your dancer are punctual.

**GRADE POLICY:** Dance is great, and it's an important part of your dancer's high school experience, but there is nothing more important than their education. To be eligible to participate on the Goldenettes, you must maintain a 2.0 GPA or higher.

**PRACTICE ETIQUETTE AND BEHAVIOR:** This is pretty simple, pay attention, respect each other (and your coaches!), and leave your cell phones in your bag.

**DISCIPLINARY ACTION:** Failure to follow the Cibola High School Goldenettes Code of Conduct may result in but is not limited to the following actions: Extra practice time / conditioning Sitting out a practice, performance or competition Suspension/Probation from team Removal from team \*\*\*\*Depending on the infraction, we reserve the right to immediately dismiss the dancer from the team!

**ATTENDANCE:** Only the reasons listed below are excused from any practice or activity.

- 1.) Personal illness or accident verified by a doctor's note or school absence list.
- 2.) Funeral
- 3.) Special school activity - Must be discussed and approved by the coach in advance
- 4.) Vacation - with parent's note ahead of time.

Please note that even an excused absence could cost you a performance depending on the date and length of the absence. A team member who is excused from a practice or event will not be permitted to perform with the team until he/she knows the routine to the coach's satisfaction. A Dancer CANNOT miss more than 4 practices throughout the year! It is required that each dancer and a parent/guardian be present for all parent meetings.

**UNEXCUSED ABSENCES** To put it simply, if you miss a practice without any communication with your teammates or coaches, you are letting down yourself and the rest of the team. We rely on each other to perform and succeed, so please be sure to inform the coaches of any reasons for absence. It will be your responsibility to make up for practice time lost. Unexcused absences can result in being cut from performances/competitions.

**NON-PERFORMERS:** The following reasons determine whether or not a dancer will be allowed to perform. There will be NO exceptions to these factors, so please read carefully.

- Lack of knowledge of a routine.
- Lack of ability to perform at required skill level for said routine.
- Attitude not promoting teamwork/sportsmanship.
- Lack of dedication/commitment being shown toward Goldenettes.
- Lack of improvement shown over time in a given routine.
- Disregard for the code of conduct and the rules and guidelines governing this organization.
- Absences the week prior to a performance or competition. Tardiness is also a factor, unless excused.
- Missing an excessive amount of practices, unless excused.
- Gossiping, instigating turmoil, or in any way causing conflict among members on the Goldenettes.
- Not being grade eligible.
- Dancer's that are on suspension/probation.



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Goldenettes Member Signature

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Date

Should I, \_\_\_\_\_ (Dancer's name) choose to participate in another sport during the dance season, I will notify the coach of the Goldenettes and the coach of the sport I have signed up for. An agreement must be reached by both coaches, my parents and I, acknowledging that there is dual participation, and that any conflicts in practice times or events must be discussed with all parties involved - resolution agreed upon in writing or I understand that suspension from the Goldenettes will be deemed necessary. If I am selected to compete with the Goldenettes I understand that there will be no exceptions made and I MUST be present for ALL practices in their entirety in the few weeks leading up to a competition.

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