

Park Rapids Panthers Activities Philosophy and Mission

I. PHILOSOPHY

Park Rapids Area Schools Activities Program is a part of our total education program, providing experiences for physical, intellectual, social and moral development. Competition, teamwork, sportsmanship and winning are all balanced as a part of the program. Participants and coaches are encouraged to win and excel, but the principles of good sportsmanship, skills training and teamwork prevail at all times to enhance the educational values of the program.

We believe the participation in and exposure to activities is an integral part of a students education. Participation is a privilege that carries with it responsibilities to the school, activity, student body, community, teammates, coaches/advisors, and the participants. Participants, staff, administration, parents and the community need to support and commit to the program. Each must understand and respect the role of each other.

II. MISSION

Our Mission is to develop, maintain, and improve upon our activities program. Our staff will maintain the highest level of professionalism and provide an environment of opportunity and personal growth for participants. The activities program is to complement the academic program; by teaching lifetime skills, teamwork, sportsmanship and the desire to strive for excellence.

III. COMPETITIVE ACTIVITIES/MSHSL SPORTS

OBJECTIVES

1. To have participation of the maximum number of students in as many activities as possible.
2. To succeed by winning at all levels of high school participation; primary emphasis of junior high (7th & 8th grade teams) shall be as equal participation as possible.
3. To be performed within the principles of sportsmanship, Minnesota State High School League rules, school policy handbook and the laws of the State of Minnesota.
4. To be a positive activity for the participants, school, community and staff.
5. To excel, first as a member of a team; second, as an individual.

IV. COMPETITIVE FINE ARTS ACTIVITIES

OBJECTIVES (Elementary/Middle School)

1. To encourage participation.
2. To invite and expose students to opportunities

OBJECTIVES (High School)

1. To communicate opportunities in a timely fashion
2. To hone and develop skills
3. To participate in events
4. To encourage more sophisticated entries/projects
5. To strive for excellence

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