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Student Name (printed): _____
Activity: _____
Coach/Advisor Name: _____

YRHS Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct

Participation in Extra-Curricular opportunities offered at the YRHS is a great way to become engaged in the school. Participation in Extra-Curricular activities brings with them the opportunity to learn new skills, make new friends, travel, compete, learn to organize your time, and have lots of fun. The YRHS has developed an Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct to ensure that everyone's experience is a positive one. The Code enables all involved to understand what is expected of them. The Code is intended to serve as the foundation with regards to expectations of students representing the YRHS. This being said, individual coaches/advisors may choose to add additional expectations specific to their activity.

The YRHS Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct concerns itself with five primary areas: Representation, Commitment, Social Media, Fees, Drugs and Alcohol.

1. Representation

It is a privilege to take part in high school sports and activities. As members of Raider athletic teams and clubs you must conduct yourself with honour and dignity at all times. Your conduct away from the event in the food court at the mall, for example, is just as important as how you conduct yourself at the event itself. You are representing yourself, your school, and your community - Raiders must be cognizant of casting a positive light in all three areas. It is expected that Raiders will show sportsmanship and support for their fellow teammates at all times. Respect towards opponents, officials, fans and coaches (advisors, chaperones) is also expected.

2. Commitment

No matter what the activity may be, we must all agree that we are students first. Representatives of the 'Land of Orange' are to maintain the best possible grades in each of their classes. Student representatives are to complete school work on time, be attentive in class and be prepared for exams. Your activity is not to be used as an excuse for your possible lack of diligence as a student.

Attendance is key to success in any activity. It is highly improbable that you will achieve in anything without attending on a regular basis. To this end, Raiders shall attend classes on a regular and consistent basis. The same expectation exists for attendance at practice. Your coaches and advisors give up vast amounts of time preparing practices for you and your teammates. It is an expectation that you let them know if you are unable to attend a practice or competition.

Should your grades/attendance begin to slip your coach/advisor may institute an intervention designed to help fulfill your obligation as a student. Students are expected to act as advocates for

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themselves as well in this regard. Your activity level may impact your studies to a point where you may need to speak to a teacher(s) about extra help, and/or extensions to assignments. The same holds true for the opposite situation where a student may need to speak to their coach/advisor about possibly missing a practice/game/event due to school workload. In all cases, it is expected that the student act in a proactive manner and address the situation before it becomes a problem.

3. Social Media

All student representatives of the Yorkton Regional High School are required to conduct themselves at all times in an appropriate and mature manner through all Social Media platforms throughout their high school career. Student representatives of the YRHS shall be held to a higher standard of social media behaviour. We are to be forever aware of the digital footprint our social media usage is creating. Student representatives shall refrain from the posting/texting of materials deemed to be morally offensive and/or illegal. Raiders are also to refrain from sharing, liking, and commenting favourably on material that is morally offensive and/or illegal.

4. Fees

All school fees as well as the fees to join the club or team need to be paid in order to participate.

In comparison to activities that one may partake in outside of school, extra-curricular activities are some of the least expensive ones to join. With this in mind, referees still need to be paid, transportation costs exist, uniforms and equipment need to be purchased, hotel rooms need to be booked, etc. All of these items do cost money and are subsidized by the GSSD #204, the Yorkton Regional High School, and a team/activity fee that is charged by your coach/advisor.

No one should ever be denied the opportunity to partake in an extra-curricular activity for financial reasons. If the cost of the activity is what is holding you back you are encouraged to speak with the coach/advisor or trusted adult in the building about your situation. Financial assistance is handled in a discreet and confidential manner.

Students that are removed from a club or team due to disciplinary reasons shall forfeit their team fee. The remaining members of the club or team should not be placed in a situation where their experience is jeopardized due to the behavior of a teammate.

5. Drugs and Alcohol

The use of drugs or alcohol will not be tolerated while student representatives are under the jurisdiction of the school. The stance adopted by the school is in harmony with the Good Spirit School Division #204's Administrative Procedure #354 'Alcohol and Drug Use.'

The use of tobacco and/or 'vapes' are not allowed by any student representing the YRHS. Any exception to this policy should be noted in Section 6.

6. Activity Specific Enhancements

As mentioned in the introduction, the Code is intended to serve as the foundation with regards to expectations of students representing the YRHS. Individual staff members responsible for a specific

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activity within the school may choose to add additional expectations specific to their activity. When this occurs, the additional expectations shall be appended to this document.

This document is intended to serve as 'fair notice' that the articles mentioned above shall be attended to by YRHS Staff and those Community Members in a place of supervision of our students who represent the YRHS. Student(s) found to be in contravention of the Code of Conduct shall be dealt with on an individual basis.

I have read and understood the information above. By signing this document, I agree to the terms outlined above.

Student Representative: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

(Developed in 2016-17 by Haley Koch (SRC President), Shelly Westberg (School Counsellor), Mike Haczewicz (Principal) in conjunction with YRHS Student Activity Representatives, YRHS Staff Coaches/Advisors and endorsed by the YRHS SCC on March 14, 2017)

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