

# **Milford Central School**

## **Extra-Curricular Team Participant Agreement**

### **2023-2024**

## **Extra-Curricular Team Participants**

Students understand that participation on an extra-curricular team is a privilege, not a right. As a member of a team, participants make a commitment to contribute to the success of the program and to abide by all requirements of participation. The student understands that he/she must keep priorities in mind with family and schoolwork coming before the extra-curricular activity. At the same time, the student must commit himself/herself to the team and, once he/she has started, continue to support the team throughout the season. If an individual quits a team, he or she will not be able to rejoin that team during that season.

This provision shall apply to any student group that performs or competes including, but not limited to: all sports, Academic Challenge (Quiz Bowl), Odyssey of the Mind, Marching Band, Colorguard, the Musical, Jazz Band, Senior Play, and the 7/8 Play.

This provision explicitly does not apply to student groups that do not perform or compete including, but not limited to: Art Club, Spanish Club, CROP, Yearbook, Student Government, SADD, Safety Patrol, Honor Society, and the GSA.

## **MCS Pride**

The student understands that they represent Milford Central School and must conduct themselves in a manner that brings pride and respect to their community. The student understands that they are required to treat his/her teammates, advisor/coach, opponents, officials and fans with respect at all times. Fighting or swearing at the advisor/coach, fan, player, or official during a competition will result in an immediate removal, at that time, from the remainder of the competition. A second violation will require a meeting with parents and administration and result in a minimum one-competition suspension. A third violation will result in permanent dismissal from the team. The student may request an administrative meeting to review any proposed suspension.

We must work together as a team without inner strife. If there are conflicts of any kind, the advisor/coach should be notified and the situation will be resolved at the discretion of the advisor/coach.

## **Damage to Equipment or Facilities**

Any loss of or damage to equipment or facilities due to misuse or negligence will be paid for by that student. The student understands that he/she is responsible for all equipment issued to him/her and that he/she must return it at the end of the season or pay for its replacement. Theft of any type will result in immediate suspension from the team and the panel will determine the length of suspension.

## **Practices and Competitions**

Each day is important and the student must be present to keep up with the skills and information so as to not hinder the team. The student understands that all practices and competitions are mandatory unless he/she has an appointment or family commitment. The student will inform the advisor/coach personally that he/she will be absent, prior to the practice unless unavoidable.

Unauthorized absences from practice will affect a student's participation in competitions. One unauthorized absence will result in the student not being able to participate in the next scheduled competition/performance that occurs within ten (10) days after the absence. Two unauthorized absences will result in the student not participating in the next two successive competitions/performances that occur within twenty (20) days after the absence. Missing three practices for unauthorized reasons will result in immediate suspension from the team. Failure to notify the advisor/coach of an authorized absence prior to a scheduled practice or competition/performance will result in discipline determined by the advisor/coach.

## **School Attendance**

The student understands that he/she must follow all state, league, and school rules regarding eligibility and attendance. With the exception of extenuating circumstances, the student understands that he/she must be in school the whole day of the competition/performance and cannot be late or absent or he/she will not participate in the competition/performance. An absence on a no contest day will prohibit the student from practicing with the team. Repeated absences or tardiness on no contest days may result in disciplinary action by the advisor/coach. Legal absences are the exceptions.

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## Detention

A student who receives a detention will serve their detention as directed. The student is responsible for telling the advisor/coach personally that they received detention. Students receiving detention may still participate in practices and competitions/performances; however, an advisor/coach has the discretion to impart additional consequences for students who receive multiple detentions during the season.

## Suspensions (In-School and Out-of-School)

Students serving suspensions are restricted from attending all events and practices on the day(s) covered by their suspension. A student whose suspension doesn't end until after the weekend will be restricted from attending all weekend events and practices. Should the student's suspension not result in missing a competition/performance, the student will be excluded from the first competition/performance that occurs within ten (10) calendar days from the start of their suspension

Examples:

- 1. Suspended Monday & Tuesday with no scheduled competitions/performances:** Student cannot attend practice either day. They will be excluded from the first competition/performance that occurs within 10 calendar days starting with Monday. If there are no scheduled competitions/performances within those 10 days, they have no further consequences.
- 2. Suspended Friday & Monday with competitions/performances on the weekend:** Student cannot attend any events until the following Tuesday. As part of their days of suspension, the student has already been excluded from a competition/performance. They have no further consequences.

Students who receive three or more in- or out-of- school suspensions will no longer be eligible to participate on the team for that season.

## Arrests

Any student arrested for illegal activity will be suspended from participation until the matter is resolved. If a student is convicted of a misdemeanor or felony, the student is suspended from participation in extra-curricular competitions for one full calendar year. In the event the arrest does not result in a misdemeanor or felony conviction, the student and their parent/guardians shall meet with the advisor/coach, the advisor/coach's immediate supervisor, and/or the Principal/ Superintendent. The meeting shall be scheduled to facilitate the attendance of parents/guardians; their attendance is required. The suspension from participation shall continue until the meeting occurs. The Principal/Superintendent shall conduct the meeting and provide an opportunity for all parties to provide information regarding the alleged conduct. The Principal/Superintendent shall make the final determination if a violation has occurred. If it is determined a violation has occurred, the student is suspended from participating in extra-curricular competitions for one full calendar year.

## Injuries - Applies to Athletes Only

The athlete understands that all injuries must be reported immediately to ensure proper evaluation and medical treatment if required. If medical treatment was required following the injury, the injured athlete must be released to play by their medical provider. The school reserves the right to require additional medical evaluation prior to the athlete returning to participation.

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## Tobacco, Vaping Products, Alcohol & Other Drugs

The Milford Central School District Board of Education expressly prohibits the use, possession or distribution of tobacco\*, vaping products, alcohol, illegal drugs, and non-prescribed prescription medications by all students while on school grounds. Students wishing to participate on an extra-curricular team must sign the *MCS Extra-Curricular Team Agreement* which extends this rule to apply to: the use, possession, distribution, **OR** being in the presence of others using these substances **in any location on or off school grounds**. Once signed, the agreement is in full force for the remainder of the school year.

If a student is suspected of violating this provision of the *Code of Conduct*, an investigation will be conducted by a school administrator. If the suspected violation is the use, possession, or distribution of alcohol or drugs, the student will be suspended from all extra-curricular team activities including practices and competitions until the investigation is concluded. Students found by the administrator to be in violation of this provision will be disciplined in accordance with the *Code of Conduct*.

It is clearly understood that the use of tobacco/vaping products, the consumption of alcoholic beverages and the use of illegal drugs is dangerous to the health and general maturation of the adolescent and negatively impacts the Extra-Curricular Team Participant ability to perform. Therefore, the Extra-Curricular Team Participant is not to possess/distribute, be in the presence of, or use alcohol, tobacco/vaping products, illegal drugs, or misuse prescription or nonprescription drugs/inhalants on or off school grounds.

### First Offense

- ❖ The Extra-Curricular Team Participant will be suspended for five (5) contests/events or 30 calendar days, whichever is longer.
- ❖ The Extra-Curricular Team Participant will attend practices and/or athletic contests and/or events, but may not dress or participate in any contests.
- ❖ The Extra-Curricular Team Participant will be required to participate in and complete a school approved counseling program.
- ❖ If the Extra-Curricular Team Participant has a leadership role, they shall lose that privilege for the remainder of the athletic season/event.
- ❖ The Extra-Curricular Team Participant will forfeit the right to earn any awards for that season and will be ineligible for any end-of-year awards (such as Athlete of the Year, Outstanding Athlete, etc.).
- ❖ At the end of the season, any student who is completing a disciplinary action as a result of violation of any rules shall serve the remainder of their penalty in the next subsequent extra-curricular activity.
- ❖ The School District reserves the right to call Local Law Enforcement agencies for all such violations.

### Second Offense and Each Subsequent Offense

- ❖ The Extra-Curricular Team Participant will be suspended from participation in extra-curricular activities for one calendar year. They will not be permitted to participate in any activity.
- ❖ The Extra-Curricular Team Participant will forfeit any awards they may receive for that extra-curricular activity and will be ineligible for any end-of-year awards in that activity (such as Athlete of the Year, the Music Department Award, etc.).
- ❖ The Extra-Curricular Team Participant will be required to participate in an Otsego County counseling program before being reinstated. The School District reserves the right to call Local Law Enforcement agencies for all such violations.

\*"Tobacco" is inclusive of all products that contain nicotine including e-cigarettes.

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July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024



**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade Level:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Student's Agreement

As a participant in an extra-curricular team I understand that my participation is a privilege and not a right. I have read and understand the extra-curricular team agreement and my responsibilities.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## Parent/Guardian/PIPR's Agreement

I have read and understand the extra-curricular team agreement and my child's responsibilities.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## Milford Central School: Extra-Curricular Team Permission Slip

I give my permission to the advisor/coach of the extra-curricular team that my child is participating on to have my child taken to the nearest medical facility in case of an accident or injury during the course of a performance or practice. I also give my permission to the Emergency Room Physician to begin treatment of my child when they arrive at the hospital.

I understand that every effort will be made to contact me if my child does become injured.

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian/Parent/PIPR #1 Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian/Parent/PIPR #1 Work number: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian/Parent/PIPR #1 Cell number: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian/Parent/PIPR #2 Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian/Parent/PIPR #2 Work number: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian/Parent/PIPR #2 Cell number: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian/PIPR Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Parent/Guardian/PIPR Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_