AGREEMENT FOR PARTICIPATION IN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES FORM

The extracurricular activities of the Southern York County School District are viewed as a valuable supplement to the academic program. In order to ensure the successful operation of the extracurricular programs, it is necessary to formulate objectives and regulations for all who participate. Students and parents should be aware that participation in these activities is a privilege, not a right.

- It is our hope that by participating in extracurricular activities a student will develop positive relations with others that foster sportsmanship, fairness and cooperation.
- It is our desire that students develop responsibility that will encourage the development of leadership skills, respect for self and others.
- It is the duty of the supervisors to direct and monitor students in the positive representation of Southern York County School District. In accordance, students are required to represent Southern York County School District in a manner that is positive, productive and responsible.

Participation requires that certain regulations be established and followed. The standards are as follows:

1. Students must be enrolled in the Southern York County School District and be approved by their principal to be eligible for participation in an extracurricular activity.
2. Students must meet the minimum academic requirements for participation in the extracurricular activities. **GRADES ARE MONITORED ON A WEEKLY BASIS.** The minimum academic standards require the following: (a) A secondary (7th-12th Grade) student must, at a minimum, be passing all but one subject on a weekly basis in order to be eligible for extracurricular activities. Failure to do so will result in a one week participation suspension. (b) A secondary (7th-12th grade) student must, at a minimum, be passing all but one subject at the end of each marking period. Failure to meet this minimum academic requirement will result in a 15 school day participation suspension beginning the day report cards are issued. (1st, 2nd, 3rd marking period only). Following the 15 school days, the student may be eligible to participate in extracurricular activities if he/she is, at a minimum, passing all but one subject on a weekly basis. (c) A secondary (7th-12th grade) student must pass all subjects/credits for the year. Failure to meet this minimum academic requirement will result in a 15 school day participation suspension beginning the first day of the next school year. If the student is successful in making up the credits in summer school, he/she may be eligible to participate in extracurricular activities for the first marking period of the next school year. (d) A course that has been dropped/failed anytime during the school year will be considered a failing grade for the purpose of academic eligibility. This will affect eligibility status for the current school year as well as the first marking period of the next school year. (e) The eligibility period is from Sunday through Saturday. The only exception would be for theatrical performances where the eligibility period would run from Monday through Sunday.
3. Academic ineligibility means the student is unable to participate in any event, competition or performance which is considered to be an extracurricular activity. The decision as to whether the student may participate in practice sessions will be at the discretion of the coach/advisor of the extracurricular activity. If a student is ineligible for three weeks during the activity, he/she may be dismissed from that activity.

4. Students are ineligible to participate in an extracurricular activity on any day if they meet any of the following criteria: (a) illegally absent from school; (b) tardy; (c) excused for more than 1/2 day due to illness (must be in class by 11:25 a.m.); (d) suspension from class or school.

5. Students with an outstanding obligation are not eligible to participate in extra-curricular activities until the obligation is met.

6. Attendance at practices or meetings is mandatory unless the student receives prior permission from the advisor/coach to be late or absent.

7. The possession and/or use of tobacco, drugs, drug paraphernalia, and alcohol is forbidden. Knowingly and/or willingly remaining in association with the illegal possession and/or illegal use of tobacco, drugs, drug paraphernalia, prescription medications, inhalants (other than physician prescribed inhalers), and/or alcohol is forbidden. Violations will result in the suspension from all extracurricular activities for sixty (60) school days. This policy applies to students every day of the calendar year for behaviors in school and not in school.

8. Flagrant violations of regulations as set forth in the Southern Middle School and Susquehannock High School Disciplinary Codes or civic laws may result in suspension from all extracurricular activities for sixty (60) school days.

9. A student involved in any extracurricular activity who is suspended 5 or more days for any season will be dismissed from all current activities for the duration of those activities.

   We are aware that participation in extracurricular activities may carry risks of injury. Injuries may range from minor to very severe, including death. Understanding the potential risk factors, we accept the responsibility of participation.

   We have read and understand the information in this contract. We understand the Advisor/Coach has the authority to determine appropriate disciplinary action for infractions not outlined in this contract. If we feel any disciplinary action has not been fairly administered under the terms of this contract, an appeal may be taken to the administration.

   Our signatures below indicate we have read and agree to the conditions as set forth in this contract.

   Student’s signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

   Printed Student Name: ________________________

   Parent’s/Guardian’s signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

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