Northwood Middle School Co-Curricular Consent Form

The middle school coaches and advisors want all activities to be a positive learning experience for all students. In order to help realize this goal, a number of rules and regulations have been established. We feel they are important and expect all students and parents involved in a middle school activity to be aware of these policies and abide by them. We hope you will read them and then discuss them with your child. We are looking forward to an exciting and rewarding year for all activities. Your support and interest are appreciated. Please remove the attached portion of this notice and return it to school.

Practice

Practice/meeting schedules will be distributed by the coaches/advisors. Attendance at practices and meetings is required. Two (2) unexcused absences will result in the student being suspended from the team for one game. Additional unexcused absences will result in additional game suspensions. Excused absences must be cleared with the coach advisor PRIOR to the practice. A note and/or doctor's excuse should be included. If a student is absent from school and is excused, no note is needed. If a student is absent from school, the student will not be allowed to participate in any game, activity or meeting scheduled for that day.

Behavior

All rules governing middle school conduct as specified in the middle school handbook shall remain in effect. Students in activities are expected to follow rules and regulations. Any student caught drinking or using unauthorized drugs (and in the case of athletes, smoking) will lose his/her privileges in that activity for the remainder of the athletic season or one quarter for the nonathletic activity.

Students who have a drug or alcohol abuse offense will be able to ask for help. At this time a review committee will review the offense and recommend help by an approved substance abuse program. The review committee may decide to show leniency and lessen the penalty for the offense, upon verification of attendance in a recommended program. The student, who was-not caught in a substance abuse violation, may voluntarily seek help from a coach, advisor, staff member or administrator. No disciplinary action will be taken in this instance. The review committee will assist the student by recommending a certified substance abuse program. If the student is caught in a substance abuse violation, subsequent to seeking help, it will be viewed as a first offense providing no previous offenses have been committed. If previous offenses have been committed, it will be viewed as the second or third offense.

Participation

Coaches/advisors will make every effort to include as many people as possible in each activity. Students will participate only if they attend meetings or practices. The student's attitude in meetings, practices and activities will be also be considered. All participants are expected to maintain passing grades in all subjects. Each week during the season the building coordinator will survey every athlete's teachers to determine if any athlete is failing a course at that point. Should an athlete be failing one or more courses, that athlete may continue to participate for one week while attempting to improve the failing grade(s). Should the athlete have **any** failing grades at **any** future grade check, the athlete will be ineligible to participate until the next weekly grade check shows those grade(s) have been improved to a passing level. A student may be on probation only once during a season.

Woodstock Community Unit School District #200 Activity Agreement Consent Form I hereby give my permission for,_______ to participate in_______. In giving this consent, I do so with the understanding that my son/daughter will be expected to obey the rules and regulations as set forth in the middle school co-curricular rules and regulations and as explained by the coach advisor on the first day of the activity. Student Signature Parent/Guardian Signature Date