



Dear Parents of Perspective Dance Team Members:

We are very excited that your child has shown an interest in auditioning for a Clear Creek ISD dance team. There are many aspects of being a member that you and your child should consider before auditioning. Commitment and dedication are required to be a member, as well as understanding our rules, regulations and audition procedures.

Being a member of one of the CCISD dance teams has been the highlight of many students' high school experience. The dance teams pride themselves on their tradition of excellence and continue to push their members to new heights. It is CCISD's philosophy to "educate, equip and excel" all students and the dance teams hold this same vision. Through this vision, dance team members will gain character, scholarship, dance training, leadership and individual responsibility.

Good Luck!

Cristina Singleton
CBHS Celebrity Director

Traci Carpenter
CCHS Cavalier Director

Rosey Fortenberry
CLHS Flair Director

Kandy Lankford
CSHS Silverado Director

Jazz Combination

Each year prospective members must demonstrate a jazz combination to the judges. This combination includes movements that are incorporated into the dance curriculum. Listed below are movements that are expected for each prospective member to be able to execute.

- Double Pirouette Turns (right outside only)
- Piqué Turns
- Jetés (right and left)
- Chainés (right and left, single and consecutive)
- Direction changes and weight changes

Kick Combination

Each prospective member must demonstrate a kick combination to the judges. Judges are looking for correct technique and kick height. Remember: Technique before height!

Types of Kicks That Can Be Expected in the Kick Combination:

- Exercise/Swing Kicks- A traveling kick; step L1, kick R2, step R3, step L4, step R5, kick L6, step L, step R
- Jump Kicks – Bounce and kick with a straight leg
- Around the World Kicks – A kick series which is completed with the same leg. Jump 1, kick R to L diagonal 2, jump 3, kick R to front 4, jump 5, kick R to R diagonal 6, and close 7, hold 8. Reverse with L leg.
- Fan Kicks – Jump kick with the leg crossing the body and continuing to form a half circle in the air and the feet closing to finish.
- Graduating Kicks – Jump 1, point R2, jump 3, point L4, jump 5, kick R waist 6, jump 7, kick L waist, jump 8, jump kicks (high) 1-8

Kick Pointers:

- As you kick, your body must be straight and tall. Your body never bends from the waist up.
- Every time you kick, you must keep your support leg straight. That means you cannot bend your supporting knee.
- Every time you kick you must point your toes and keep them pointed from the time they leave the floor.
- Every time you kick you must keep the heel for your supporting leg on the floor – the support heel never leaves the floor.

Splits

- Tuck, right split to the right diagonal, hold for 5 seconds, z-sit, knees, stand up left/right
- Tuck, left split to the left diagonal, hold for 5 seconds, z-sit, knees, stand up left/right

Helpful Hints

- Don't wait until the last minute to prepare. Practice! Practice! Practice!
- Stretch everyday and practice doing your splits!
- If you need help on any of the skills, then please ask! You are welcome to come to tutorials on Tuesdays and Thursdays!
- If you can, take a dance class. Keep working on your technique and ability to memorize combinations!

**CLEAR CREEK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
DANCE TEAM
CONSTITUTION**

**ARTICLE I
DANCE TEAM ORGANIZATIONS**

The names of the dance team organizations of the Clear Creek Independent School District shall be: The Clear Brook Celebrities, The Clear Creek Cavaliers, The Clear Lake Flairs and The Clear Springs Silverados. The organizations shall follow the traditional school colors of black, red and silver (CBHS), maroon, white and silver (CCHS), red, white and blue (CLHS), and (royal) blue, black and silver (CSHS). Members of the dance team must meet all standards set forth in this constitution.

**ARTICLE II
OBJECTIVES**

- A.** To increase and develop character, scholarship, leadership and individual responsibility;
- B.** To develop and maintain a very high standard of technical and creative dance;
- C.** To promote school spirit and good sportsmanship;
- D.** To represent Clear Creek ISD at school functions and events, on and off campus;
- E.** To promote interest in all school activities;
- F.** To create and maintain positive relations between our dance teams;

**ARTICLE III
AUDITION PROCEDURES-Line Membership**

A. Application

Active Participant is a current member of the dance team. All active members must audition each year for a place on the dance team for the next school year.

Candidate Member is a student who will audition for a first year dance team membership.

1. Active participants and candidate members must be entering grades 10-12.
2. Active participants and candidate members must be passing all classes **and** have no “U’s”, **and** no more than one “N” in conduct for the official grade reporting period prior to auditions. An official report card must be attached to the application.
3. Active participants and candidate members and their parents/guardians must attend a meeting for an explanation of the time, energy, expectations and expenses of dance team membership as well as an understanding of these obligations. (Expenses are held to a minimum so that as many girls as possible are eligible to try out for membership. A student not able to meet the financial obligations needs to consult with the director.)
4. Copies of the CCISD Extracurricular Code of Conduct FM(LOCAL) Board Policy and the CCISD Dance Team Constitution are given to the prospective members and parents/guardians.
5. A completed application and a signed parent/guardian permission form are returned only to the director by the specified deadline. Late applications will not be accepted.

B. Audition

It is the responsibility of the active participant and candidate member to be aware of all announcements and posted notices regarding audition dates and the official grade reporting period that

will be used to determine eligibility for auditions.

1. Current dance team officers will be exempt from the audition process. The exemption is only in reference to line auditions.
2. Auditions are held on a date designated by the director. Auditions occur only at the designated time. Requests for second auditions will not be granted
3. Active participants and candidate members are rated by a panel of three judges selected in advance by the director.
4. Active participants and candidate members wear a number and all judging information will be documented according to the number.
5. Active participants and candidate members are rated in the categories of kick height and technique, splits, projection and showmanship, rhythm and coordination, memory, technique, execution of movement, and personal presentation.
6. Active participants and candidate members will be prepared to show audition choreography to judges as many times as necessary during the selection process.
7. The decision of the judges is final and is announced as soon as possible.
8. Auditions are closed to the public with only the judges, director, administrator, and necessary personnel present.
9. Judges use a score sheet to award points to each candidate. Each judge independently awards the candidate points in each of the categories. A blank judge's sheet is provided for prospective members to see prior to the audition. Judges' score sheets will be retained for 1 year after auditions.

C. Selection

1. Each candidate's total score is the sum of the scores from each of the three judges.
2. A candidate with a total score of 24 - 44 points is selected for membership of the dance team.
3. A candidate with a total score of 45 - 59 points is considered a "call-back" and will perform the audition choreography until the final decision is completed.
4. A candidate with a total score of 60 or more points will not be selected for membership.

ARTICLE IV ACTIVE PARTICIPANT MEMBERSHIP

- A.** Entering grades 10 through 12;
- B.** Membership is for an entire year, from audition to audition;
- C.** Able to execute specific dance techniques at all performances;
- D.** Submit a signed CCISD Physical Form completed by a physician;
- E.** Follow all guidelines set forth in the CCISD Extracurricular Code of Conduct FM(LOCAL) Board Policy and the CCISD Dance Team Constitution.

ARTICLE V UNIFORMS and EQUIPMENT

The school will furnish the dance team performance uniforms and props. The props are to remain at school unless checked out by the director. Each member is held responsible for the care and return of members' uniform and props. The member will pay for any damaged uniform or prop, or any uniform not cleaned at the end of the school year. Dance attire and other accessories, and any other items designated by the director, must be purchased by the members.

A. Uniforms

1. The entire uniform must be kept clean and in good condition.
2. A signed **Uniform Loan Contract** must be on file.
3. Members must wear all parts of the performance uniform while in public.
4. The performance uniform must not be worn in public places other than specified performance areas.
5. All required dance team attire may only be worn by the current member.
6. Any member who is dismissed or resigns from the team is required to return all school issued uniforms and accessories within seven school days. Failure to comply with this directive will place student on the “not clear” list on the campus.

B. Equipment

1. All school property issued to any dance team members will be kept in good condition and returned to the director as it was originally issued.

**ARTICLE VI
AUDITION PROCEDURES- Officers**

A. Application

1. Officer applicants must be entering grades 11-12.
2. Officer candidates must be passing all subjects in the grading period prior to auditions.
3. Officer candidates must have no conduct grade lower than “S” in the grading period prior to the audition.
4. Officer candidates must be active team members, have a minimum of one year experience on the school’s dance team, and can only audition within the school for which they originally applied for team membership.
5. The number of officers will be determined at the discretion of the director at each campus.
6. Officer candidates must have filed the appropriate application of intent form and must have met all deadlines set by the director.

B. Audition

It is the responsibility of the officer candidate to be aware of all announcements and posted notices regarding audition dates and the official grade reporting period that will be used to determine eligibility for auditions.

1. Officer candidates must try out on the date designated by the director. Auditions occur only at the designated time. Requests for second auditions will not be granted.
2. Officer candidates are rated by a panel of three judges selected in advance by the director.
3. Officer candidates wear a number and all judging information will be documented according to the number.
4. Officer candidates will be rated according to the following percentages:
Notebook/Book Study (10%)
Team Vote (10%)
Senior Officers Vote (10%)
Judges (70%)

Categories: Solo performance, group performance and interview

5. Officer candidates will be prepared to show audition choreography to judges as many times as necessary during the selection process.
6. The decision of the judges is final and is announced as soon as possible.
7. Auditions are closed to the public with only the judges, director, administrator, and necessary personnel present.
8. All officer audition score sheets will be retained for 1 year.

C. Responsibilities

1. Officers must comply with all guidelines that apply to dance team members.
2. Officers are required to attend an officer camp designated by the director. If an officer does not attend officer camp, they will be moved to line member status.
3. All officers will be required to perform all officer responsibilities and be present at all practices, meetings, performances and functions. Failure to complete the duties assigned by the director will result in being moved to line member status.

**ARTICLE VII
SOCIAL COMMITTEE**

Objective: Social committee will promote spirit and enthusiasm within the team.

- A. Selection of the social committee will be held on a date designated by the director.
- B. Selection criteria will be set by the director.
- C. Each director will determine the membership number, titles, and duties of the social committee.
- D. Each member will complete all duties of the Social Committee as specified by the director. Failure to complete the duties assigned by the director will result in dismissal from the Social Committee.

**ARTICLE VIII
JAZZ COMPANY
KICK COMPANY**

Objective: Jazz Company and Kick Company will represent the dance team through the display of exemplary dance technique and performance.

- A. Selection of the Jazz Company and/or Kick Company will be held on a date designated by the director.
- B. Selection criteria will be set by the director.
- C. Each director will determine the membership number and performance criteria.
- D. Each member will complete all duties of the Jazz Company and/or Kick Company as specified by the director. Failure to complete the duties assigned by the director will result in dismissal from the Jazz Company and/or Kick Company.

**ARTICLE IX
MANAGERS**

Objective: Managers will support the director with organization duties and record keeping.

- A. Selection of managers will be held on a date designated by the director.
- B. Managers will be optional for each individual school.
- C. Selection criteria will be set by the director.
- D. Each director will determine the membership number and duties of the managers. Duties can include:

video tape performances, organize attire, distribute and collect forms, inventory costumes/supplies, type and copy handouts, other duties as assigned.

- E. Manager candidates do not have to be members of the dance team organization.
- F. Each member will complete all duties of a manager as specified by the director. Failure to complete the duties assigned by the director will result in dismissal as a manager.

ARTICLE X RESPONSIBILITES

A. Attendance

1. All members are required to attend all after school rehearsals.
2. All members, if eligible, are required to attend all performances scheduled by the director.
3. Absence from any dance team practice or performance is unexcused with the exception of:
 - a. personal illness,
 - b. funeral or death in the immediate family,
 - c. special school activities with special permission secured from the director.
4. Any member absent for more than 50 percent of the school day cannot participate in after-school or night activities on the day missed.
5. A member is considered absent if they are not in attendance for 15 minutes or more of any rehearsal or event.
6. A member who is not performing must be in attendance and in appropriate attire at all practices and performances with the team.
7. Any member absent from school or a performance is responsible for contacting another member to obtain all information given to the team during the absence.
8. A member will be removed from a performance even if an absence is excused.
9. Unexcused absences will result in demerits and/or possible dismissal from team membership.

B Summer

1. All members are required to attend all summer camps/practices as selected by the director.
2. Any member that is unable to participate in the required summer activities will not be allowed to participate in the first two football halftime performances.
3. Dance team attire will be distributed to all members who have paid in full. Consequences will apply for all members not wearing required attire.

C. Football/Basketball Season

1. Any member absent after weekly auditions will be replaced by an alternate for the upcoming performance even if the absence is excused.
2. All Games/Performances are mandatory even if member is not performing. Failure to attend will result in loss of performing in the next game.
3. Team members only are allowed to sit in assigned designated area.
4. Members must remain at all games/activities for the duration of the event.
5. Members must ride the bus to and from any team event. In the event of an extenuating circumstance which prevents the student from riding the bus, a request and appropriate forms must be submitted to the director five days prior to the event.
6. Performing auditions may be held for each performance. The date and time will be designated by the director.
7. Members who do not make the performing auditions will be an alternate. Alternates must attend and participate in all practices and functions.
8. Notify the director in advance of any conflicts with other school activities.

9. Doctor's appointments should not be scheduled during practice hours.

10. Any member unable to dance for an extended period of time must attend all practices, performances or activities (unless specified by the director). Failure to attend will result in demerits and/or possible dismissal from the team. A doctor's note is required after three consecutive days of non-participation.

D. Spring Show/Contest Season

Spring Show/Contest consists of three phases:

Phase 1 Creation, choreography and learning takes place and a maximum of two absences may occur without penalty.

Phase 2 Staging, formations and auditions take place. An absence during this phase will result in the removal from the dance in which the absence occurred.

Phase 3 Performance phase. An absence during this phase will result in the removal from the entire show/contest.

**ARTICLE XI
DISCIPLINARY SYSTEM**

A. Demerit/Merit systems

1. Demerit and Merit systems are optional for each school. Each director will provide the members with a written set of rules and explanation of the system used.
2. A record of demerits received by each member will be maintained by the director.
3. Demerits received during summer rehearsals/activities will not be part of the permanent record and may be worked off before the start of the first official school day.
4. Starting the first official school day, demerits received will remain on record until the end of the current school year.

Demerit System

1-15 Demerits	No penalty		
16 Demerits	Six week probation	Attend all practices/events in full performance attire	No performance privileges
21 Demerits	Dismissal from team for remainder of school year		

B. Electronic Media

Any dance team member representing themselves, or their organization, in an unfavorable, questionable or illegal manner through electronic media (i.e. websites, personal home pages, blogs, text messages, chat rooms or similar websites/files accessible through a server or internet) or using electronic communication devices in such a way as to bring discredit, dishonor, or disgrace on their organization or members of any other school organization including themselves (i.e. camera phones, digital photos, electronic descriptions) will be subject to the disciplinary actions determined by appropriate school officials and/or the directors including probation or dismissal from the team.

C. Disciplinary Expectations

1. Members who participate in any CCISD Dance Team will comply with the following documents and procedures at all times:
 - CCISD Dance Team Constitution
 - CCISD Extracurricular Code of Conduct FM (LOCAL)
 - CCISD Student Code of Conduct
 - Directives given by the dance team director- written or verbal
2. Members who do not comply with the above documents/directives will result in the issue of one or more of the following: demerits, probation, suspension, and/or loss of membership for the remainder of the school year.
3. Repeated violations of school policy will be subject to dismissal from the team based upon the recommendation of the director and the grade level principal.

ARTICLE XII PROBATION, SUSPENSION, AND LOSS OF MEMBERSHIP

A. Definitions

1. Probation - defined as a member will not be able to perform in any performance of the dance team BUT must attend all practices.
2. Suspension - defined as a member will not be able to participate in dance team performance, practice, or function.
3. Loss of Membership - defined as a member will not be permitted participation in any activity of the dance team for the remainder of the school year. A dismissed member must turn in their performing uniform(s) and any other issued items.

- B.** Any member who makes below 70% in any course in a 9 weeks report card will be placed on probation for the next three weeks. (Exception: first eligibility check due to UIL on the first 6 weeks progress report.) The probation begins seven calendar days after the end of the grading period. (Texas Education Code 33.081)
- C.** Any member who is ineligible for any two 9 week report cards will be dismissed from the team for the remainder of the school year.
- D.** Any member who receives a "U" or two "N"s during any report card will be subject to a three-week probation. If the student receives any future U or N in any class or subject during any report card the member will be dismissed at the specified grading period
- E.** Any member who is dismissed or resigns from the team during a school year is eligible to audition for the team for the next school year and will only receive privileges given to a first year member.
- F.** Any member leaving the team for any reason will remain out for the remainder of the school year.
- G.** Any member assigned to ISS will have the following actions:
 - 1st offense: The member will be suspended from further participation in all team activities for 15 school days starting on the first day of the ISS assignment.
 - 2nd offense: The member will be suspended from further participation in all team activities for the

remainder of the school year.

- H.** Any member assigned Out of School Suspension or AEP will be immediately dismissed from the team for one calendar year. The student will not be allowed to audition for team membership during this dismissal time period. Team members are prohibited from the following disciplinary behaviors:
- Fighting
 - Possession and/or use of tobacco products and/or drugs
 - Inappropriate language/profanity
 - Inappropriate behavior
 - Destruction and/or defacing of school property
 - Insubordination to faculty

The district administration, campus administration, or dance team directors may initiate amendments to the Clear Creek I.S.D. Dance Team Constitution. Amendments will be discussed and implemented only with the approval of a majority from the district administration, campus administration, and district dance team directors.

Extracurricular Student Activities Code of Conduct CCISD FM Regulation

1. Statement of Philosophy

The District believes that extracurricular activities afford students opportunities to develop leadership, interpersonal, and citizenship skills. A variety of extracurricular programs exists in the form of clubs, teams, and performing groups. Participation in extracurricular activities is a privilege, not a right. Because students represent their school and the District in highly visible positions in elected offices and/or appointed positions in which they perform, participate, or compete, these students are viewed as role models. The demands and responsibilities require participants to commit time and effort while maintaining high standards of conduct. **This code applies at all times and applies to conduct on or off campus, while participating in an activity or not, during the school calendar year, and during holidays, summer, and weekends.**

Before a student is suspended or removed from participation in an extracurricular activity, and before any other consequence is imposed as provided in this policy, the alleged infraction of the rule will be documented and a reasonable investigation of the allegation shall occur. The Principal or designee shall then schedule a conference with the student and the student's parent to explain the reasons for which the action is being taken and to offer the student an opportunity to present their side. A student may appeal the decision through the procedures set forth in CCISD Board Policy (FM Local)

2. Notice of Nondiscrimination

It is the policy of the Clear Creek Independent School District not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs and activities as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1975, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the Age Act of 1975, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended. No provision of an extracurricular behavioral standard shall have the effect of discriminating on the basis of sex, race, disability, religion, or ethnicity.

3. Individual Activity Extracurricular Codes of Conduct and Handbooks

In cooperation with the campus administration, activity Teachers/Coaches/Sponsors/Directors are authorized to develop individual activity codes of conduct and handbooks. A student's participation in a particular extracurricular activity is conditioned upon the student's compliance with the requirements and standards of behavior set forth in the individual extracurricular activity code of conduct, the CCISD Student Code of Conduct outlined in the Student/Parent Handbook, and The Extracurricular Student Activities Code of Conduct (FM Regulation). Individual extracurricular activities may have stricter rules of conduct than the district Extracurricular Code of Conduct. Activity Teachers/Coaches/Sponsors/Directors may take disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal from the activity, against a student

who violates any required standard of conduct. The program sponsor in cooperation with the campus administration has the authority to develop the specific guidelines for membership within their individual extracurricular activity code of conduct. Final approval of the individual extracurricular activity code of conduct in each area will be given by the appropriate CCISD Education Support Center Administrator or designee. Due to the vast differences among the various extracurricular groups, the individual program codes of conduct are developed for the purposes of defining the specific requirements within the organization.

The Teacher/Coach/Sponsor/Director's decision may be appealed pursuant to CCISD Policy FM (Local); however, absent a showing that the disciplinary action was arbitrary or capricious, the Teacher/Coach/Sponsor/Director's decision will be presumed valid.

3. Statement of Eligibility

Participants who meet UIL and CCISD eligibility requirements and are selected to represent a CCISD school extracurricular program, agree by signature of parent and student, to comply with the behavior guidelines as set forth in the CCISD Student Code of Conduct, Extracurricular Student Activities Code of Conduct and the individual extracurricular program codes of conduct.

4. Tryout Procedures

Tryout procedures and the calendar for the various extracurricular activities are determined by the individual activity directors in partnership with CCISD guidelines. Final approval of the individual extracurricular activity tryout procedures in each area will be given by the appropriate CCISD Education Support Center Administrator or designee. Upon completion of the tryout procedure for the extracurricular activity, the sponsor will notify all participants of their membership status. The results of tryout procedures are final and cannot be appealed.

5. Dress and Grooming

Students who participate in extracurricular activities shall comply with the District's policy on student dress and grooming and the Teacher/Coach/Sponsor/Director's specific requirements for the activity.

6. Equipment and Uniforms

District-owned equipment and uniforms are only issued to the student for use while the student is participating in school activities or organizations. Students must return equipment and uniforms at the end of activity or school year as directed by the Teacher/Coach/Sponsor/Director. Exceptions would be for musical instruments loaned over the summer.

Equipment

Any district-owned equipment issued to a student is the responsibility of the student while participating in a school activity or organization.

Students must care for district-owned equipment. Equipment must be properly stored, in the appropriate location, and shall be kept clean and maintained.

Students who lose or damage District equipment will be required to pay for the cost of replacement.

Individually owned equipment is the sole responsibility of the student; CCISD will not be responsible for any loss or damage that occurs to student-owned equipment.

Uniforms

If uniforms are required for an activity/organization, the student shall be required to ensure that the uniform is neat and clean for the practice, performance, competition, or game/tournament. Uniforms are to be worn only at appropriate school-related functions. A fee for the maintenance, dry cleaning, or laundering of the uniform may be collected. If a uniform is dirty, damaged, poorly maintained, or lost, the student will be financially responsible.

7. Travel

Students who have the opportunity to travel in connection with the CCISD extracurricular activity/organization are representatives of the District and must exhibit exemplary behavior at all times.

Students who dress or act inappropriately while traveling to or from a CCISD activity may be suspended or removed from the activity or organization, depending upon the nature of the misconduct, as in accordance with CCISD FMG (Regulation). When feasible, such action should be taken in consultation with the principal and is subject to review under CCISD Board Policy FM (Local).

All students who participate in school-sponsored trips are required to ride in transportation provided by the school to and from the event. An exception would be made if the student's parent or guardian personally requests that the student be allowed to ride to/from the event with the parent, guardian, and other adult. In this event, an Alternative Travel Form, FMG Exhibit C, will be completed and signed by the parents and submitted to the sponsor one day in advance of the event. Students with a valid Texas Drivers License are permitted to drive themselves, but are prohibited from transporting another student.

Students involved in travel shall:

- Be on time for all trips;
- Dress neatly and in compliance with the District dress code and grooming;
- Be on their best behavior in restaurants and hotels;
- Care for any equipment assigned to the student and return it to the proper storage location upon return to the school;
- Be on their best behavior while on the bus or other vehicle; and
- Promptly obey all instructions given by the Teacher/Coach/Sponsor/Director or any adult chaperone.

8. General Rules of Conduct

Students who participate in extracurricular activities shall comply with the following rules of conduct at all times. This includes conduct on or off campus, while participating in an activity or not, and during holidays, summer, and weekends.

Students who participate in extracurricular activities shall:

- Show respect for CCISD officials and staff;
- Participate in every practice, competition, performance, game, tournament, and event required by the Teacher/Coach/Sponsor/Director, unless the Teacher/Coach/Sponsor/Director has granted an excused absence;
- Arrive promptly, properly attired, for every practice, competition, game, tournament, etc., unless the Teacher/Coach/Sponsor/Director has granted an excused absence/tardy;
- Adhere to the grooming standards as established by the individual activity sponsor's code of conduct.
- Demonstrate a sportsmanlike behavior;
- Demonstrate a positive attitude;
- Be polite to others.
- Exemplify honesty in all school work;
- Maintain good conduct grades in their classes.
- Demonstrate appropriate behavior while engaged in school-related travel.

After consultation with the principal, students who receive poor conduct grades in class may also be subject to suspension/dismissal from extracurricular activities. Any such action is subject to review under CCISD Board Policy FM (Regulation).

9. Attendance and Tardies

Students engaged in extracurricular activities are expected to participate in all practices, performances, competitions, games, tournaments, and other events identified by the Teacher/Coach/Sponsor/Director. The Teacher/Coach/Sponsor/Director will identify times for required practices, performances, competitions, games, tournaments, etc., by the beginning of the athletic season, each semester for fine arts, or the beginning of the program activity season.

Extracurricular Activity Conflicts

Extracurricular Activities Sponsored by CCISD

In the case of a conflict between **CCISD sponsored** student activities, extracurricular or otherwise, Teachers/Coaches/Sponsors/Directors will work together to accommodate the student to participate in all activities **to the extent possible**. UIL and other CCISD sponsored performances, games, or competitions will take precedence over clinics and/or practices. Students involved in multiple CCISD sponsored activities shall not be penalized by a grade reduction or limitation on further participation based upon such a conflict.

Extracurricular Activities Sponsored by Outside Organizations

In the case of a conflict between CCISD-sponsored student activities and student activities sponsored by outside organizations, UIL and other CCISD sponsored performances, games, competition, clinics and/or practices will take precedence over the activity sponsored by the outside organization. Absences or tardies to CCISD extracurricular activities due to schedule conflicts with activities sponsored by outside organizations will be unexcused. Consequences for unexcused absences or tardies due to participation in outside organizations will be at the discretion of the CCISD Teacher/Coach/Sponsor/Director.

Extracurricular Activity Absences in a School Year

For participation in an extracurricular activity sponsored or sanctioned by the District, UIL, or an organization sanctioned by the Board, the District shall allow a student a maximum of ten absences not related to post-District competition, a maximum of five absences for post-District competition prior to state, and a maximum of two absences for state competition. CCISD Policy FM (Local)

Participation in Extracurricular Activities the day of an absence from School

Students must be in attendance for at least half of the school day in order to practice after school that day or participate in an extracurricular activity that day/night. A written note in accordance with FEB Regulation as outlined in the Parent/Student Handbook must be submitted to the Teacher/Coach/Sponsor/Director. The principal may waive this policy as appropriate. FEB (Regulation)

Students who fail to appear for a scheduled event without a written excuse from the student's parent will be prohibited from participating in the next scheduled activity. Students' absences from extracurricular activities shall be excused for only those reasons set forth by the Teacher/Coach/Sponsor/Director. Excessive unexcused absences may result in suspension or dismissal from the activity/organization. Such decisions shall be made in consultation with the campus principal and are subject to appeal through CCISD Board Policy FM (Policy).

Students with injuries will be allowed to attend any practice, performance, game, or other event relating to the activity/organization and allowed to participate only to the extent authorized by written order of the student's physician.

Students should make every effort to schedule health care appointments at times that will not interfere with school or extracurricular activity participation. If a conflict is unavoidable, the student shall inform the Teacher/Coach/Sponsor/Director prior to the appointment and provide written documentation, acceptable to the Teacher/Coach/Sponsor/Director, of the appointment. The note shall be signed by the student's parent or, if the student is 18 or older or is an emancipated minor, by the student.

Rehearsals, Practices, and Campus Recording

Practice involving students from more than one building at any time shall have the written approval of the principal of the campus of the student.

Students assembled for practice, rehearsal, or recording a program, or for any other purpose outside their own building, shall first have the project approved in writing by the principal.

Students participating in rehearsals or practice sessions of any kind within their own building shall terminate such activities no later than 10:00 p.m.

10. Disciplinary Infractions and Loss of Extracurricular Privileges

In addition to obeying rules set forth in the CCISD Student Code of Conduct, the particular extracurricular activity's constitution, handbook, rule book, and/or regulations, if any, or rules otherwise communicated to the student by the activity's Teacher/Coach/Sponsor/Director, a student in grades 6 through 12 participating in any CCISD extracurricular activity shall comply with the Extracurricular Student Activities Code of Conduct and will be disciplined as outlined below:

A. General Misconduct Guidelines

Students participating in extracurricular activities are prohibited from the following behaviors as outlined in the CCISD Student Code of Conduct:

Behaviors

Students are prohibited from:

1. Leaving school grounds or school-sponsored events without permission of the appropriate school official.
2. Disobeying school rules related to conduct on school buses.
3. Failing to comply with lawful directives given by school personnel thus the failure results in insubordination.
4. Public display of affection while in uniform.
5. Possessing or using matches or a lighter except as part of an instructional program.
6. Possessing, smoking, or using tobacco products.
7. Behaving in any way that disrupts the school environment or educational process.
8. Violating safety rules.
9. Violating dress and grooming standards.
10. Violating other communicated campus or classroom standards of behavior.
11. Being in facilities designated for the opposite sex, or in facilities designated as Faculty Only, Janitorial Only, or Custodial Only, or other restricted areas.
12. Displaying or using paging devices or cell phones during the school day.
13. Loitering in the parking lot or school grounds.
14. Engaging in bullying, harassment, or making hit lists.
15. Publishing or displaying pictures or other media (including publications on websites, blog sites, etc.) depicting illegal or inappropriate behavior.

Action Taken:

* Disciplinary action as outlined below represents the minimum consequences that may be administered. Each individual activity code of conduct may prescribe stricter consequences.

Any Offense (Grades 6-8 or 9-12): Sponsors of extracurricular activities apply discipline management techniques as appropriate.

B. Removal from the Regular Education Setting

Students participating in extracurricular activities are prohibited from the following behaviors as outlined in the CCISD Student Code of Conduct:

1. Behaviors resulting in In-School Suspension or Suspension from School

Action Taken: * Disciplinary action as outlined below represents the minimum consequences that may be administered. Each individual activity code of conduct may prescribe stricter consequences.

Any student removed from the regular educational setting and assigned to In-School Suspension or suspended from school, shall be suspended from all extracurricular activities immediately pending an investigation.

This action should not be considered a presumption of guilt, but rather it affords the accused student the time and opportunity to clear his or her name. The student may be allowed to remain in the activity as a suspended member, but will not be allowed to represent his/her school in any public manner while under this suspension.

(a) Upon receipt by the principal of a written and signed statement concerning a possible serious misconduct violation, an investigation will be conducted.

(b) After the investigation, the sponsor and principal will confer and recommend one of the following actions:

- (1) Terminate the investigation.
- (2) Release the suspension, or
- (3) Order Suspension as outlined below:

- 1st Offense (Grades 6-8 or 9-12) Suspension: The student shall be suspended from further participation in all extracurricular activities for the term of the suspension or 10 calendar days whichever is greater.
- 2nd Offense: (Grades 6-8 or 9-12) Suspension: The student shall be suspended from further participation in all extracurricular activities for the remainder of the semester in which the offense occurred.

- 3rd Offense: (Grades 6-8 or 9-12) Suspension: The student shall be suspended from further participation in all extracurricular activities for the remainder of the school year.

(c.) The principal shall make all final disciplinary action decisions.

2. Behaviors resulting in Discretionary Disciplinary AEP Assignment

Action Taken:

* Disciplinary action as outlined below represents the minimum consequences that may be administered. Each individual activity code of conduct may prescribe stricter consequences.

Any student removed from the regular educational setting and assigned to DAEP shall be suspended from all extracurricular activities immediately pending an investigation.

This action should not be considered a presumption of guilt, but rather it affords the accused student the time and opportunity to clear his or her name. The student may be allowed to remain in the activity as a suspended member, but will not be allowed to represent his/her school in any public manner while under this suspension.

- (a) Upon receipt by the principal of a written and signed statement concerning a possible serious misconduct violation, an investigation will be conducted.
- (b) After the investigation, the sponsor and principal will confer and recommend one of the following actions.
 - (1) Terminate the investigation.
 - (2) Release the suspension.
 - (3) Order Suspension or dismissal as outlined below:

Action Taken:

* Disciplinary action as outlined below represents the minimum consequences that may be administered. Each individual activity code of conduct may prescribe stricter consequences.

- 1st Offense, (Grades 6-8 or 9-12) Suspension: The AEP assignment will be followed by campus counseling and no participation in all extracurricular activities for 10 school calendar days after returning from AEP.
 - 2nd Offense (Grades 6-8 or 9-12) Suspension: The student shall be suspended from further participation in all extracurricular activities for 60 school calendar days after returning from AEP.
 - 3rd Offense, (Grades 6-8 or 9-12) Dismissal: The student shall be suspended from further participation in all extracurricular activities for one school calendar year after returning from AEP.
- (c) The principal shall make all final disciplinary action decisions.

3. Behaviors resulting in Mandatory Disciplinary AEP Assignment Discretionary Expulsion from School or Mandatory Expulsion from School

Action Taken:

Disciplinary action as outlined below represents the minimum consequences that may be administered. Each individual activity code of conduct may prescribe stricter consequences.

Any student removed from the regular educational setting and assigned to DAEP for a mandatory reason or expelled from school shall be suspended from all extracurricular activities immediately pending an investigation.

This action should not be considered a presumption of guilt, but rather it affords the accused student the time and opportunity to clear his or her name. The student may be allowed to remain in the activity as a suspended member, but will not be allowed to represent his/her school in any public manner while under this suspension.

- (a) Upon receipt by the principal of a written and signed statement concerning a possible serious misconduct violation, an investigation will be conducted.
- (b) After the investigation, the sponsor and principal will confer and recommend one of the following actions.
 - (1) Terminate the investigation.
 - (2) Release the suspension.
 - (3) Order Suspension or dismissal as outlined below:
 - 1st Offense, (Grades 6-8 or 9-12) Suspension: The student shall be suspended from further participation in all extracurricular activities for 60 school calendar days after returning from DAEP.
 - 2nd Offense, (Grades 6-8 or 9-12) Dismissal: The student shall be dismissed from further participation in all extracurricular activities for one school calendar year after returning from DAEP.
 - 3rd Offense, (Grades 6-8 or 9-12) Dismissal: The student shall be dismissed from further participation in all extracurricular activities for the remainder of the student's enrollment in either intermediate or high school.

For purposes of suspension from extracurricular activities, school calendar days, including weekends, are counted. Assigned days of suspension from extra curricular activities not completed by the end of the current school year will carry over to the following school year until all days of suspension are completed.

- (c) The principal shall make all final disciplinary action decisions.

11. Off-Campus Violations

As representatives of CCISD, students who participate in extracurricular activities are expected to demonstrate exemplary behavior whether at school or away and at all times. The behavior of the individual is a reflection of the team or organization and will therefore affect the individual's eligibility to participate and/or represent the team or organization. Therefore, students involved in CCISD extracurricular activities are prohibited from the following:

- (a) Using, possessing, or being under the influence of an alcoholic beverage,
- (b) Using, possessing, or being under the influence of a controlled substance, and illegal or dangerous drug, abuseable glue, aerosol paint, or any other mood-altering drug
- (c) Theft or stealing
- (d) Lewd, disruptive, or other offensive conduct that offends or affronts school district standards of propriety
- (e) Engaging in conduct that contains the elements of any criminal offense identified in state or federal law, with the exception of minor traffic offenses
- (f) Any arrest by a law enforcement official

Action Taken:

Disciplinary actions as outlined below are the consequences that will be administered. Any student who is alleged to be in violation of the prohibited activities outlined in (a) – (f) shall be suspended from all extracurricular activities immediately pending an investigation.

This action should not be considered a presumption of guilt, but rather it affords the accused student the time and opportunity to clear his or her name. The student may be allowed to remain in the activity as a suspended member, but will not be allowed to represent his/her school in any public manner while under this suspension.

- (a) Upon receipt by the principal of a written and signed statement concerning a possible violation of the prohibited activities outlined in (a)-(f) above, an investigation will be conducted.
- (b) After the investigation, the sponsor and principal will confer and recommend one of the following actions:
 - (1) Terminate the investigation.
 - (2) Release the suspension, or
 - (3) Order Suspension or dismissal as outlined below:
 - 1st Offense, (Grades 6-8 or 9-12) Suspension: The student shall be suspended from further participation in all extracurricular activities for the remainder of the calendar year or school year whichever is longer.
 - 2nd Offense, (Grades 6-8 or 9-12) Dismissal: The student shall be dismissed from further participation in all extracurricular activities for one school calendar year after returning from DAEP.
 - 3rd Offense, (Grades 6-8 or 9-12) Dismissal: The student shall be dismissed from further participation in all extracurricular activities for the remainder of the student's enrollment in either intermediate or high school.

(c) The principal shall make all final disciplinary action decisions.

12. Statement of Transfer

Any student transferring within or from outside the Clear Creek Independent School District, who is under suspension, investigation, or who has been found guilty of violating the Extracurricular Student Activities Code of Conduct will be assessed the same penalties as prescribed by the campus in which the infraction occurred. (Refer to UIL guidelines regarding eligibility on transfer.)



Clear Creek I.S.D Dance Team Auditions

I have received a copy of the following documents:

CCISD Dance Team Constitution

CCISD Extracurricular Code of Conduct FM (LOCAL) Board Policy

I have read and understand the conditions to audition and to maintain membership within this organization. I agree to abide by all policies and procedures governing this organization.

Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____