



**2014-2015 MISD
Middle School Cheerleading and
Mascot Handbook**

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PHILOSOPHY AND PURPOSE

The purpose of the cheerleaders is to support the curricular and extracurricular activities of McKinney ISD by promoting school spirit. Being a cheerleader is an honor and special privilege. Cheerleaders and mascots exist to promote good sportsmanship, good citizenship, and wholesome and enthusiastic school spirit. Cheerleaders are first and foremost representatives of their school. Cheerleaders should exemplify both individual and group behavior suitable to their position and in accordance with the rules as stated in the MISD Student Code of Conduct located online at the link below.

<http://www.mckinneyisd.net/Docs/SCOC.pdf>

Members of these groups have a fundamental responsibility to play a leadership role in building teamwork and helping the school achieve its goals and objectives. Because of these responsibilities, members of the cheerleading squad will be expected, both on and off campus, to maintain a higher standard of behavior and academic achievement.

Objectives

Cheerleaders are expected to be skilled in learning and remembering cheers. They are also expected to be able to publicly demonstrate a skill level suitable for the team position and the timing necessary for group performance. Off the field, they are to enthusiastically support all athletic teams through advertisement, personal attitude, and attendance at events chosen by the coach and approved by the principal.

COMMITMENT

Candidates selected to be a member of the cheerleading squad are expected to make a commitment to the activity for the full school year. Any cheerleader/mascot who voluntarily quits the squad before the end of the school year without the written approval of the principal and sponsor will not be allowed to sign-up for the next school year

NOTE

Any cheerleader/mascot whose intention is to leave the school district will be required to sign a waiver of position and return all cheerleading/school property. This process is final and may not be revoked once the cheerleader has signed the waiver.

SIGN-UP REQUIREMENTS



MISD will hold sign-ups for middle school cheerleading squads. The sign-ups will be held from **Friday, February 28 – Friday, April 4**. A student is not officially signed-up until all forms have been completed and submitted to the cheerleading coach on campus. All forms must be complete and turned in by 3:30 PM on April 4 to the cheerleading coach on campus. No new applicants will be accepted after this date.

Cheerleaders can participate in athletics, but they must choose between cheerleading and basketball during basketball season. Cheerleaders may not be a cheerleader and participate in basketball.

In order for a student to be eligible to sign-up he/she must currently be enrolled in and attending a McKinney ISD school by April 4, 2014.

No new applicants will be taken after the last day of sign-ups: April 4, 2014.

All applicants **must** attend the fitting date. There will only be one fitting.

All applicants **must** attend cheer camp.

Students must have never received deferred adjudication and/or a conviction for a Class B misdemeanor or higher-class crime conviction.

Students must not have been placed in DAEP during the current school year.

Students must not have been expelled during the current school year.

Students must meet state guidelines for attendance.

Student must disclose all medical conditions that may affect the safety of themselves or others prior to trying out. All such information will be confidential and maintained in accordance with the McKinney ISD Board Policies.

No new applicants will be taken after the form collection deadline. The only exception will be for students who move into the district after April 4 and prior to camp will be allowed to sign-up.

Students must turn in all required forms by 3:30 pm on April 4. The required forms include the MISD Cheerleading Tryout Student and Parent Acknowledgements, Disclaimers and Release of Claim Form, MISD Cheerleader/Mascot Information Sheet, MISD Release of All Claims, and UIL Pre-participation Physical Evaluation Form.

The UIL Pre-participation Physical Evaluation Form must be completed and submitted to the cheer coach on campus by May 23. All physicals **MUST** be completed on the 2014-2015 approved MISD UIL Physical Evaluation Form. The form is green. Coaches will have the physical form available for pick up in April.

GENERAL CONDUCT GUIDELINES



General Conduct Rules

- All school and academic policies will be enforced
- Must meet U.I.L. academic requirements for eligibility as outlined in the U.I.L. Eligibility Calendar.
- Must abide by all rules stated in the MISD Student Code of Conduct.
- Attendance must meet state criteria.
- Must be responsible.
- Cheerleaders are responsible for promoting school spirit during the week, at pep rallies, and at games and must be aware that they are representing the school and school district at all times.
- Cheerleaders will maintain proper behavior at all times as designated by the cheer coach, including practices and performances.
- Cheerleaders will arrive to practices, performances, and events on time and in required uniform.
- Absolutely **NO** jewelry may be worn during any practice, performance, or event.
- All rules become enforceable the day the cheerleader is selected and remain in effect until the end of the cheerleading year. Students and parents should follow steps below if a concern or issue arises.

Step 1: Contact the squad coach and notify the coach of the concern.

Step 2: If no resolution after initial contact with the coach, schedule an in person conference with the coach.

Step 3: If the issue has not been resolved after the conference with the coach, contact the head coach and schedule an in person conference with the head coach. If the concern was originally addressed by the head coach, proceed to Step 4.

Step 4: If the issue has not been resolved after meeting with the head coach, contact the Assistant Principal on campus who oversees drill/dance and schedule an in person conference with the Assistant Principal.

Step 5: If there still is not a resolution to the concern, contact the Principal and schedule an in person conference.

Misconduct - any infraction of school rules as set forth in the MISD Student Code of Conduct, MISD Student Co-Curricular/Extracurricular Contract, the MISD Cheerleading/Mascot Handbook, and/or campus cheerleading handbook will result in disciplinary action and may cause removal from the squad.

- Cheer coaches have the authority to bench or possibly remove members from the squad for misconduct infractions.
- Cheer coaches, at their discretion, will have the authority to suspend or remove any member for any of the following reasons.

Failure to Meet Academic Requirements– The student will be put on probation and will not cheer for pep rallies or games. The probation will be three weeks in length. He or she will not be allowed to cheer for games or pep rallies or suit out and travel with the squad but during this time he/she must still attend and participate in all practices during regular school hours. If, after three weeks, the substandard grade is brought up to 70 or better, the cheerleader will no longer be on probation.

Academics are the school's top priority. Therefore, if a cheerleader is placed on probation twice because of substandard grades in the same course or in different courses during the school year and a third offense occurs, the student will be removed from the cheerleading squad for the remainder of the same school year. This will not include the courses designated in board policy as exempt from the ineligibility rule.

Failure to Meet Behavior Requirements– In addition to the general conduct rules outlined, each coach will be responsible for communicating behavioral requirements and consequences.

GROUNDNS FOR DISMISSAL

A cheerleader will be automatically dismissed from the squad for the following reasons:

- Any member who is expelled from school or placed in the Alternative Education Program (DAEP) will be removed from the cheerleading squad for the remainder of the school year.
- Any member who is placed in In-School Suspension for the second time will be removed from the cheerleading squad for the remainder of the school year.
- Any member who acts in a manner that jeopardizes the safety of herself, another member, or others.
- Any member who acts in a manner that does not uphold the intent of the MISD cheerleading program.
- Any member who accumulates any combination of three unexcused absences from team practices, games, pep rallies or other scheduled events will be immediately removed from the cheerleading squad for the remainder of the school year.
- Any member who is placed on grade probation will be removed from the squad for the remainder of the year when the third offense occurs.
- Any member who accumulates three written warnings (academic, behavioral, or any combination of offenses) will be removed immediately from the cheerleading squad for the remainder of the school year.
 - a. First warning: parents will be notified, written notice will be signed by parent and student, and cheerleader will be benched for one performance.
 - b. Second warning: parents will be notified, written notice will be signed by parent and student, and cheerleader will be benched for two performances.
 - c. Third violation: results in the student's removal from the cheer squad for the remainder of the school year.
- A member who quits and/or is removed from the squad during the year for any reason will not be eligible to try out for the cheerleading squad for the following year without coach and principal approval.

NOTE

Length of benching and requirements for reinstatement will be determined on an individual basis by the coaches

PRACTICES



Each campus decides on practice schedules. Cheerleaders are expected to attend two after school practices each week. After three unexcused absences, the cheerleader will be removed from the squad for the remainder of the year. It is an expectation that cheerleaders attend all practices, and they will not be allowed to participate in cheering at games or pep rallies if they have not attended practice. If cheerleaders plan on being involved in additional school sponsored organizations, please know that conflicts **will** arise. It is the responsibility of the cheerleader to solve any scheduling conflicts prior to the event. Missing practice due to tutoring or other school sponsored events will result in consequences set by the coach. Please contact the cheerleading coach on campus for detailed practice requirements.

CAMP



All cheerleaders must attend summer camp.

Cheerleaders may not leave camp early or arrive late without written notification that must be approved by the coach. Certain extenuating circumstances may occur like death in family or injury.

Camp will be 8:00AM – 12:00 PM, Monday, July 21 – Wednesday, July 23 at McKinney North High School

MASCOT



Each campus decides on mascots, thus varying between campuses. For more information on mascots, please contact the cheerleading coach on campus.

UNIFORMS



All Squads – uniform with lettering, warm-ups, accessory package (shoes, briefs, bow, bag, and poms), and practice wear

Each cheerleader who signs-up will be required to purchase the items above. The style of the uniform will change.

Section 2

IMPORTANT DATES

Please read the entire application packet then both, student and a parent /guardian, must sign the required forms. All forms must be completed by the deadline in order for the student to participate and are **due by 3:30 pm Friday, April 4** to the coaches listed below.

CHEERLEADER SIGN-UPS:

Friday, February 28 – Friday, April 4

SIGN-UP DEADLINE: Friday, April 4 at 3:30 PM

If you are interested in being a 7th grade or 8th grade cheerleader, please see the cheerleading coach to sign-up.

Cockrill Middle School	Michelle Wandersee	Rm# E215	miwandersee@mckinneyisd.net
Dowell Middle School	Danielle Braun	Rm# F202	dbraun@mckinneyisd.net
Evans Middle School	Lonea Gilbert	Rm# D207	lgilbert@mckinneyisd.net
Faubion Middle School	Lezlie Jinks	Rm # B207	ljinks@mckinneyisd.net
Scott Johnson Middle School	LaTisha Johnson	Rm# D111	ljohnson@mckinneyisd.net
	Ashley Ellis	Rm# C109	asellis@mckinneyisd.net

For more information regarding cheerleading/mascot sign-ups, please contact Tami Hines, MISD Cheerleading/Spirit Coordinator.

Email: thines@mckinneyisd.net

PARENT INFORMATIONAL MEETING: Tuesday, March 4th 5:45 – 6:15 MNHS Auditorium

FITTING DATE:

All cheerleaders returning and new must attend the fitting. Everyone will be getting a new gear. The times below are tentative. Depending on how many sign-up for each campus, the times will be adjusted to accommodate the most efficient fitting possible.

Monday, April 14 at each campus – These are tentative times and may change once we know how many cheerleaders sign-up. Your coach will contact you with the approximate time if anything changes.

7:45 AM - 9:00 AM Evans
9:30 AM -11:15 AM Cockrill
11:45 AM - 12:30 PM Scott Johnson
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM Dowell
2:45 PM - 4:00 PM Faubion

Students are only allowed to attend the fitting for their campus. Personal uniform items will be purchased at the fitting. Full payment is due on the date of the uniform fitting. **Only money orders or cashier's checks will be accepted at the fitting. The items may also be purchased online prior to the fitting.** Online payment deadline is Thursday, April 10, 2014.

PAYMENT OPTIONS:

Money Orders/Cashier's Checks:

Money orders/cashier's checks should be made payable to McKinney ISD. Please print your child's first and last name and campus on the money order/cashier's check. This will cover uniform and practice wear

expenses as well as camp. Deliver in a sealed envelope with your student's first and last name by Thursday, April 10 by 3:30 PM.

Online Ordering of Cheer Package:

Cheerleading Package may be purchased online. If you choose to make the purchase online, please follow the steps outlined below. The deadline to purchase using the online system is Thursday, April 10 at 10:00 PM. You will be charged a service fee for this convenience.

Step One: Click on the link below or enter the link below into your web browser.

<https://www.ticketracker.com/CatalogCategoryView.aspx?schoolId=182&catalogCategoryId=94>

Step Two: Select MISD Middle School Cheer Package 14-15 - Full Payment

Step Three: Select Add to Cart

Step Three: Under Attendee Information, please enter the student's first and last name, student id#, and the campus your student attends. Then select save.

Step Four: Select Check Out. There is a service fee that the company charges that will show up on this screen.

Step Five: Complete the credit card information.

Step Six: Bring a copy of the receipt for the coach to keep for out records to the fitting

PHYSICALS: May 23, 2014 on the 2014-2015 MISD Physical Form

WHAT TO WEAR TO THE FITTING: Fittings will be during the school day. Please make sure you wear appropriate under garments.

Girls: sports bra and briefs or appropriate under garments.

Boys should wear a t-shirt and shorts

CHEERLEADING EXPENSES:

The following is a list of possible expenses that may be incurred. Not all activities and or items may relate to each squad. This is simply a guideline of the approximate cost of being a cheerleader of McKinney ISD.

MISD MIDDLE SCHOOL CHEERLEADER EXPENSES

uniform with lettering, practice wear (2 t-shirts & 2 pair of shorts), briefs, shoes, bag, bow, poms, warm-ups, and camp

Total Cost for MISD Middle School Cheerleader (not to exceed) \$450

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SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Social activities, such as but not limited to ice cream socials, dinners before events, and group pictures are at the discretion of the principal and sponsor. Thus, a dollar amount cannot be assigned to this category.

PRACTICE DATES:

Calendars will be available at the uniform fittings. All anticipated dates will be listed and others will be added later as schedules of events become available.

CAMP DATES: Camp will be 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM Monday, July 21 – Wednesday, July 23 at McKinney North High School.

Section
3

REQUIRED FORMS

The forms within Section 3 must be **signed** and returned to the sponsor by 3:30 pm Friday, April 4, 2014. The information sheet must also be completed online.

Please carefully read all material within this entire packet. By signing these forms you are indicating that you have read and also agree to abide by **all** information contained within this document.

Sign-up Checklist (Must submit the following prior to 3:30 pm on April 4, 2014.)

FORMS:

- MISD CHEERLEADER/MASCOT INFORMATION SHEET - ALSO TO BE COMPLETED ONLINE. USE THE LINK BELOW TO ENTER THE INFORMATION.

[HTTP://TINYURL.COM/14-15-MISD-MS-CHEERAPPLICATION](http://tinyurl.com/14-15-misd-ms-cheerapplication)

- MISD CHEERLEADING ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, DISCLAIMERS, AND RELEASE OF CLAIM (this is one form, requiring 4 signatures):

- SIGNED STUDENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
- SIGNED PARENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
- SIGNED INSURANCE DISCLAIMER
- SIGNED RELEASE OF CLAIM

- MISD RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS
- UIL PREPARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION FORM – (MUST BE ON MISD FORM. THIS FORM WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM THE COACH IN APRIL)

Note: Physicals may be obtained through MISD, your family physician, or by contacting one of the local care clinics, but it must be on the 14-15 MISD form.

CareNow: http://www.carenow.com	Phone - 972-529-4500
Primacare: http://primacare.com	Phone - 469-952-3737
E-Care: http://www.e-carecenters.com	Phone - 972-548-7277
Acute Kids Urgent Care: http://www.acutekidsicare.com	Phone - 972-727-3800

MISD CHEERLEADER/MASCOT INFORMATION SHEET

This form also needs to be complete online.

Link to complete online:

Grade 2013 - 2014: ____7th Grade ____8th Grade Campus: _____

Please print clearly.

Student Contact Information:

Name: _____ Date of Birth _____

Address (Mailing): _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cheerleader Cell Phone: _____

Cheerleader E-mail _____

Parent(s)/Guardian Contact Information:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Email: _____

Phone #1: _____ Phone #2: _____
Cell Work

Additional Contact Information: (Please complete if there is an additional parent who needs to be contacted.)

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Email: _____

Phone #1: _____ Phone #2: _____
Cell Work

MISD CHEERLEADING TRYOUT STUDENT AND PARENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, DISCLAIMERS AND RELEASE OF CLAIM

Student Acknowledgement:

I, _____ verify that I have read and understand all of the sign-up rules and criteria and agree to abide by them. I acknowledge that participation in any extracurricular activity is a privilege, and not a right, and that I may be removed from my position on the squad at any time in accordance with the provisions as outlined in the MISD Middle School Cheerleader/Mascot Handbook, any campus cheerleading handbook, rules or guidelines, MISD Student Code of Conduct, and MISD Board Policies.

I understand that if I participate in athletics, I will have to choose between cheerleading and basketball. I understand that I cannot participate in both basketball and cheerleading.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Acknowledgement:

I, _____, parent of _____ verify that I have read and understand all of the sign-up rules and criteria and agree to abide by them. I acknowledge that my student's participation in any extracurricular activity is a privilege, and not a right, and that my students may be removed from the position on the squad at any time in accordance with the provisions as outlined in the MISD Middle School Cheerleader/Mascot Handbook, any campus cheerleading handbook, rules or guidelines, MISD Student Code of Conduct, and MISD Board Policies.

I understand my student will have to choose between cheerleading and basketball if my child participates in athletics. I understand that my child cannot participate in both basketball and cheerleading.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Insurance Disclaimer:

As a cheerleader/mascot, your child is not covered by school insurance. You are encouraged to have your own insurance.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Release of Claim :

I, _____, parent of _____ acknowledge that I am required to execute the "Release of Claim" form contained in this packet. By signing this form, I agree to execute "Release of Claim" form.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

MISD RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS

Parental Permission for Extracurricular Activity

RELEASE made _____, 20____, by
(date)

(Parent/guardian's name)

of _____
(Address – house # + apt. #, street, city, state, zip code)

as _____ of _____
(Parent/guardian) (Name of student)

In consideration of permission granted the above-named student by the McKinney Independent School District of McKinney, Texas to attend **Cheerleading Camp and all practices**. On behalf of myself individually, and my child, I hereby indemnify, hold harmless, and release the McKinney Independent School District, and its governing board, officers, agents and employees from any and all claims, demands, liabilities and expenses (including attorney's fees and costs of defense), which may be made by reason of any injury to myself or my child (including, but not limited to, serious bodily injury or death), or damage to property sustained by myself or my child, caused by any act, neglect, default, or omission of the event or of any person, firm, or corporation, directly or indirectly employed by the event arising directly or indirectly out of the operation or performance of event.

I further hereby authorize a representative of the school district to consent to medical treatment of the above-named student in the event of an emergency during the clinic.

I, the undersigned, have read this release and consent to medical treatment and understand all its terms. I execute it voluntarily and with full knowledge of its significance.

(Signature of Parent or Guardian)

(Date and Year)

MISD STUDENT CO-CURRICULAR/EXTRACURRICULAR CONTRACT

(PLEASE NOTE: This contract is currently under review. All students and parents/guardians of students participating in any MISD co-curricular/extracurricular activity will have to read and sign the new contract once it is available.)

I, _____, understand that it is a privilege and honor, not a right, to be a member of a McKinney ISD co-curricular/extracurricular activity.

I understand I must conduct myself with the utmost integrity and honesty as a student involved in co-curricular/extracurricular activities in McKinney ISD. I understand that my position as a student involved in co-curricular/extracurricular activities means that I am held to a higher standard of behavior, and therefore, may receive greater consequences than those outlined in the MISD Student Code of Conduct for conduct regardless of whether such conduct occurs on or off school property and/or at a school sponsored or school related event.

I understand that if I violate the MISD Student Code of Conduct, I may receive consequences in accordance with those outlined in the MISD Student Code of Conduct, as well as additional consequences as a result of my participation in co-curricular/extracurricular activities. I understand and agree that consequences assigned under this Contract will be assigned at the discretion and determination of the campus administrator and sponsor/coach of the activity and may include, but are not limited to, disciplinary consequences in, suspension from, removal from and/or prohibition from future participation in one or all co-curricular/extracurricular activities.

I understand that as a participant in a co-curricular/extracurricular activity, I must follow the MISD Student Code of Conduct in addition to all rules, regulations, and schedule commitments, as required by the sponsor/coach of the activity.

I understand that if I should find myself in a situation where alcohol, tobacco, or any one of the prohibited substances under the MISD Student Code of Conduct are being consumed by minors, I have an affirmative duty to remove myself from the situation immediately. In this regard, I am not permitted to attend a private or public, parental or guardian supervised or non-supervised, school or non-school function where prohibited substances are in use including, but not limited to field parties, keg parties and raves. It is an affirmative defense to a violation if I am in the presence of my own parent/guardian.

I have read this MISD CO-CURRICULAR /EXTRACURRICULAR contract and I agree to all of the terms and consequences stated herein.

Student Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Date

McKinney ISD DRUG POLICY AND CONTRACT

1. The objectives for this program are:

- i. To allow each student in programs subject to testing to make a commitment against drug/alcohol use.¹
- ii. To provide a deterrent to drug/alcohol use for students in grades 7-12.
- iii. To ensure the health and safety of students participating in an extracurricular activity.
- iv. To provide a drug/alcohol education and counseling program for students who test positive for drug/alcohol use and for those students who are at risk for drug/alcohol use.
- v. To provide students with a tool to deal with peer pressure.

2. Students in grades 7-12 who participate in extracurricular activities will be required to submit to drug/alcohol testing consistent with this policy. For the purpose of this policy, extracurricular activities include, but are not limited to:

- i. All UIL activities;
- ii. School-sponsored student groups/clubs/organizations
- iii. Student Council;
- iv. All elected/appointed student officers;

Additionally, any student may voluntarily agree to participate in the drug testing program with the written consent of their parents/guardians.

When the athletic director/sponsor/campus administrator has a reasonable suspicion that a student subject to the program is currently using drugs/alcohol, the athletic director or fine arts director may require the student to submit to a test under this policy. "Reasonable suspicion" means a suspicion of drug/alcohol use based on specific observations made by teachers/coaches/administrators/sponsors of the appearance, speech, or behavior of a student subject to this policy; the reasonable inferences that are drawn from those observations; and/or information of drug/alcohol use by a student subject to this policy supplied to school officials by other students, staff members, or patrons.

3. Prior to engaging in any extracurricular activity which is governed by this policy, a parent/guardian of a student, and the student, must both sign a written consent authorizing drug/alcohol testing of the student. Students who have reached the age of majority, or their disabilities of minority have been removed, will sign the written consent authorizing drug/alcohol testing of the student.

All students covered by this policy will be required to submit to random drug/alcohol testing. Random testing may be conducted at any time. Random testing may be conducted as determined by the Superintendent or the campus principal. The names of all eligible students will be placed in a computer generated "pool." Random selections from that pool will be conducted by the testing service contracted by the District.

4. The District will contract with a nationally certified drug-testing laboratory that will conduct all drug testing. The laboratory will follow strict procedures for the chain of custody and access to test results. The laboratory will provide qualified collectors to oversee collection of specimens. The service will provide Medical Review Officer (MRO) services for the designated school officials. Results will not be provided either orally or in writing to any person who has not been designated by the district to receive results. The District reserves the right to test for prohibited/illegal substances, including but not limited to: alcohol, amphetamines, barbiturates, benzodiazepines, cannabinoids, cocaine, methadone, methaqualone, opiates, phencyclidine, steroids, other illegal or addictive drug and any adulterant.

The term "drug/alcohol" for the purpose of this policy includes the definition outlined on page 38 of the *Student Code of Conduct*.

- Any controlled substance or dangerous drug as defined by state and federal law; without regard to amount, including but not limited to marijuana, any narcotic drug, hallucinogen, stimulant, depressant, amphetamine, or barbiturate;
- Alcohol or any alcoholic beverage;

- Any simulated controlled substance or dangerous drug;
- Any drug as defined by state and federal law without regard to amount;
- Any abusable volatile chemical substance for inhalation;
- Any prescription drug used in a manner not consistent with the prescription;
- Any other intoxicant or mood-changing, mind-altering, or behavior altering drugs, including pills and other over-the-counter stimulants and sedatives; or
- Any anabolic steroids.

5. If the drug test indicates positive results, the laboratory will immediately forward the results to its MRO. The MRO will contact the designated school official to report the positive result. The school official will contact the parent/guardian to determine if prescription medication or other legal substances may have caused the positive result. Information obtained from the parent/guardian will be provided to the MRO for review and issuance of his/her determination.

6. Drug/Alcohol Testing will be performed by urinalysis in accordance with accepted practices and procedures as established by the certified drug/alcohol testing laboratory with whom the District contracts. Student privacy will be protected to the greatest extent possible during the collection and coding of urine specimens. Students will provide urine specimens in a private stall in a restroom. An adult monitor will be stationed at the entry of the restroom.. After the specimen is produced, it will be handed to the monitor.

7. Results of any drug/alcohol test will not be given to law enforcement authorities nor be used for any school district discipline, except as related to applicable activities noted in this policy. Access to written drug/alcohol results will be limited to the following:

- i. Parent/Guardian
- ii. Student
- iii. Superintendent Designee

Access to verbal notification that a student has tested positive for drug/alcohol use will be provided to the following:

- iv. Principal
- v. Counselor
- vi. Coach/sponsor of the specific activity in which the student participates at the time of the positive test.

All information related to the testing or the identification of students as a user of illegal drugs/alcohol will be protected by the District and its employees, officers, and agents as confidential, unless otherwise required by law, in response to overriding public health and safety concerns, or as authorized by the parent/guardian or student. The District will destroy the records maintained under this policy in accordance with the District's records retention schedule.

Consequences of Positive Testing

Consequences of a **FIRST** confirmed positive test result shall be as follows:

1. Required conference with parent/guardian and student.
2. Referral to an MISD approved counseling program for an assessment which will determine the length of counseling needed for the student. The student must fulfill the recommendation of the counseling program, and provide documentation confirming completion of the program.
3. A minimum 20 school day suspension from all extracurricular activities.
4. Prior to rejoining any extracurricular activity, a negative test result must be obtained at the student's/parent's/guardian's expense.
5. After producing a negative test and regaining eligibility, the student will retest once a month for 4 months at the student's/parent's/guardian's expense.

Consequences of a **SECOND** confirmed positive test result shall be as follows:

1. Required conference with parent/guardian and student.
2. Referral to an MISD approved counseling program for an assessment which will determine the length of counseling needed for the student. The student must fulfill the recommendation of the

- counseling program, and provide documentation confirming completion of the program.
3. A minimum 60 school day suspension from all extracurricular activities.
 4. Prior to rejoining any extracurricular activity, a negative test result must be obtained at the student's/parent's/guardian's expense.
 5. After producing a negative test and regaining eligibility, the student will retest once a month for 4 months at the student's/parent's/guardian's expense.

Consequences of a **THIRD** confirmed positive test result shall be as follows:

1. Required conference with parent/guardian and student.
2. Referral to an MISD approved counseling program for an assessment which will determine the length of counseling needed for the student. The student must fulfill the recommendation of the counseling program, and provide documentation confirming completion of the program.
3. A minimum of one full calendar year suspension from all extracurricular activities.
4. Prior to rejoining any extracurricular activity, a negative test result must be obtained at the student's/parent's/guardian's expense.
5. After producing a negative test and regaining eligibility, the student will retest once a month for one calendar year at the student's/parent's/guardian's expense.

Consequences of a **FOURTH** confirmed positive test result shall be as follows:

1. Required conference with parent/guardian and student.
2. The student will be removed from all participation in extracurricular activities for as long as the student is enrolled in McKinney ISD.

A positive test that results in a suspension in excess of the number of days remaining in the school year will continue on the first day of school of the next school year.

Refusal to participate in a drug test after signing the consent form or not producing a specimen after a reasonable amount of time shall count as a positive test.

7. Students who are not involved in extracurricular activities, but who voluntarily participate in the district drug testing program with consent of their parent/guardian will be subject to the same consequences for positive tests as set out herein.

8. Students who stop participating in extracurricular activities during the school year must submit a letter to the principal requesting removal from the random drug testing pool.

9. Appeal of the consequences of a positive result must be filed with the District by the student or parent/guardian in accordance with District policies FNG (LEGAL) and FNG (LOCAL). During the time of any appeal, the consequences outlined herein will remain in effect including but not limited to, suspension and/or removal from all applicable extracurricular activities. If the appeal is resolved in favor of the student, the student will be immediately reinstated to the extracurricular activity. Any drug/alcohol test incident to an appeal, in which the parent/guardian requests retesting, the parent/guardian must submit the appeal within forty-eight (48) hours of confirmation and notification of the positive result. Retesting must be performed by a nationally certified drug/alcohol testing laboratory using the original positive sample, and will be done at the parent/guardian's expense.

**McKinney Independent School District
Drug/Alcohol Screening Test
Parent/Guardian/Student Consent Form**

I, _____ (printed name of student) and
_____ (printed name of parent/guardian) am the
parent/guardian of _____ (print name of student)
a student enrolled in the McKinney Independent School District.

I understand that participation in an extracurricular activity is a privilege that may be withdrawn for violations of McKinney ISD Board Policies. I understand that extracurricular activities include, but are not limited to: all UIL activities; school-sponsored student groups/clubs/organizations; student council; all elected/appointed student officers; and non-curriculum-related student groups.

I acknowledge that I have received a copy of the Random Drug/Alcohol Testing Program for McKinney ISD. I have read the District's Policy and understand the provisions of the random drug/alcohol testing program. I hereby consent to the testing provided by the program. I understand that Participation in extracurricular activities at McKinney ISD, as defined under the Policy, is conditioned upon my consent and participation in the random drug/alcohol testing program. In consideration of the benefits arising to me/my child from this activity, I hereby grant permission for me/my child to participate in the program. I further agree to and shall indemnify and hold harmless the District, its officers, agents and employees, from suits and liability of every kind, including expenses of litigation, court costs, and attorneys' fees for injury or damage which I or my child, or any other person might sustain as a result of my child's participation in the random drug/alcohol testing program.

I acknowledge that I have read and understand this consent and release. I represent that I am the student/parent or guardian of the student named above, and I hereby agree that we shall both be bound by the terms of the consent and release provisions set forth in the random drug/alcohol testing policy.

Circle which (Parent/Guardian Signature)

(Date)

I, the student noted above, acknowledge that I have read the foregoing consent and release and that I understand it and agree to be bound by its terms and the terms of the random drug/alcohol testing program.

(Student Signature)

(Date)