

**RULES/PROCEDURES FOR THE
RICHARDSON HIGH SCHOOL EAGLETTES
2010-2011**

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ARTICLE I. NAME

Section 1. The name of this organization is the Eaglettes of Richardson High School

Section 2. It is a Precision Dance Team

ARTICLE II PURPOSE

Section 1. The purpose of this organization shall be to:
Act as a marching, dancing unit
Promote school spirit
Build character
Community service
Encourage scholarship
Encourage sportsmanship

ARTICLE III. COLORS

Section 1. The colors of the organization will be purple/gold

ARTICLE IV. PERFORMANCE CONDITIONS

Section 1. Requirements

- A. A member may be withheld from any performance if:
1. she does not pass weekly tryouts (she must not only know the dances well, but also perform them correct style, precision, showmanship)
 2. She is on probation/suspension (receives 5 demerits)
 3. She is absent from school more than one/half of the day of the performance
 4. She is absent Wed/Thurs prior to the football game/performance
 5. Late to Friday morning practice whether pep rally or game will result in removal of the next week performance
 6. Contest – absent 3 weeks prior to performance (excused with a fever of 100+)
 7. Revue – absent 3 weeks prior to performance (excused with a fever of 100+)

- B. If a member does not make the lineup at tryouts, she is still required to attend and participate at all practices.
- C. A member is excused from a performance if:
1. There is a death in the family
 2. The member is ill and must bring a doctor's note after 2 days of absence from practice.
 3. There is a wedding in the family and prior notification has been given
 4. Religious commitment
 5. Fever of 100+
 6. Members can not miss practice because they do not "feel good" or have PMS.
- D. Work is not excused. Early dismissal from practice/performance/function will not be allowed nor will an absence due to work and will result in demerits and being taken out of a performance.
- E. Football requirements
1. A member must attend all games in uniform with drill team
 2. She must dance unless withheld or excused
 3. She must attend all practices during football season, even if she does not make the routine
 4. Outside practice is necessary so bring water
 5. Tuesdays and Thursdays are possible late practice days for pep rallies
 6. You must tryout for all dances
 7. You are not allowed to pull yourself out of a routine
- F. Basketball requirements
1. A member must attend all specified games in uniform
 2. A member must tryout for all dances
- G. Competition requirements
1. All members must attend all competitions unless withheld because of grades
 2. All members must tryout for all dances
 3. It is up to the director who will compete each year
 4. You are not allowed to take yourself out of a routine
- H. Special Performances
1. All members must attend all performances
 2. all members must tryout for all dances

- I. Rhythm Dance Team
 - 1. All members must pay extra and attend a weekly dance class and 2 non payments results in dismissal
 - 2. 2 tardies results in dismissal
 - 3. 1 excused absence allowed. 2 unexcused absences results in dismissal.
 - 4. Extra practices are required

- J. Goldline Kick Team
 - 1. All members must perform in all routines unless withheld for grades, demerits, injury
 - 2. Extra practices are required

- K. Revue
 - 1. All members must dance in Revue
 - 2. All members must tryout for specified routines
 - 3. Members are not allowed to choose which dances they would like to be in or take themselves out of routines
 - 4. Revue practice times the week of the show are from 8:00-9:20am & 4:30pm-10:00pm

ARTICLE V. PRACTICE AND TIMES

Please review district guidelines for more specifics on attendance.

- Section 1. Summer Camp
 - 1. Summer camp is a 3 to 4 day camp at hotel or RHS.
 - 2. Summer camp is mandatory
 - 3. Times/dates are set by the directors
 - 4. Officers are required to attend summer camps
 - 5. Payments are the responsibility of the family

- Section 2. Summer Practice (2-a-days)
 - 1. Summer practice is a required two/three week training for all girls and officers
 - 2. Dates/times are set by the director
 - 3. Summer practice is mandatory

- Section 3. School Practice
 - 1. Dates/times are set by the director
 - 2. All dates/times are subject to change
 - 3. Morning practices are required.
 - i. Practice is Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs and Fri 7:20-9:20
 - ii. Fri-Game Day: 6:30am (pep rallies), 6:45am (normal game days)
 - iii. Tuesday & Thursday can be late days for pep rally practice
 - 4. Drill team time is 10 minutes before set practice time
 - 5. Rhythm/ Goldline practices will be determined by director
 - 6. Times for competition and revue will be given out at that time

7. **If you are going to be absent (excused or unexcused), it is your responsibility to email the director prior to practice. (by 7:15am). Cannot tell a friend or text your officer!!! If notice is not given to director by 7:15am demerits will be given and could result in dismissal from a routine.**

ARTICLE VI. LETTERING

Section 1. Football Lettering

1. Eaglette members will be eligible for a letter jacket after completing her first year. She will not receive her letter until she has fulfilled 8 out of 10 football games and the letter will be given at the end of year banquet.

ARTICLE VII. FUNDRAISING

Section 1. Involvement

1. Drill team organizations and/or their parent booster clubs may conduct fundraising events consistent with RISD policies and guidelines. These funds may be used for the purpose of a recognition for the team, assist drill team members and/or their families, help the organization in purchasing of additional items necessary for special events such as football season, competition season, and spring show, etc

ANY DRILL TEAM MEMBER NOT MEETING HER MINIMUM, INDIVIDUAL FINANCIAL QUOTA SET BY THE INDIVIDUAL ORGANIZATIONS BOOSTER CLUB WILL BE REQUIRED TO PAY A COSTUME FEE EQUAL TO THE AMOUNT NOT RAISED IN QUOTA. It is important to note that each booster club is a non-profit organization that is financially dependent upon funds raised by each individual member. The due date for the costume fee will vary each year dependent on the spring show date (It will be approximately one month prior to the shows.)

ARTICLE VIII. UNIFORM

Section 1. School Property

1. Uniform issued to any Eaglette that are not purchased by the members are considered school property
2. You are not allowed to wear this uniform at any other time that is not specified.
3. The member is responsible to taking care of it
4. Any piece including contest, revue pieces, poms and purple tote bag that is lost must be paid for.

Section 2. Appearance

1. No eating or drinking is allowed in uniform. WATER ONLY!
2. No jewelry may be worn. (Can wear “Stick Chick” charm during practice)
3. No fingernail polish. American or French manicure is acceptable.

Section 3. Returning

1. The uniforms must be returned in person and the member must check each piece in herself to closet manager.

ARTICLE IX. DEMERITS

Section 1. Assigning Demerits

1. Only the directors and the officers are authorized to write out demerits
2. Any officer can give a demerit
3. Officers are allowed to get demerits
4. The only way to get rid of demerits is to kick them off. 8’8 counts=1 demerit removed. Kick off will be once every six weeks and at the directors direction.

PLEASE REVIEW DISTRICT GUIDELINES WHEN IT COMES TO MORE SPECIFICS ON DEMERITS. WE WILL FOLLOW ALL DISTRICT GUIDELINES WHEN IT COMES TO DISCIPLINE.

ARTICLE XI. MERITS

Section 1. Assigning Merits

1. Only the director and the officers are authorized to grant Merits
2. Merits are positive points and add up throughout the year. Merits can not/ will not remove demerits.
3. The girl with the highest number of Merits in May will receive special recognition at Banquet.
4. All Merits must be approved before points will be granted.

5. An Eaglette can earn Merits by:
 - a. Turning in paperwork early
 - b. Attending non-mandatory events
 - c. Helping build/ paint props
 - d. Help cut music (on the computer)
 - e. Making advertisements for Homecoming Dance, Team Tryouts and Revue
 - f. Not receiving demerits during a 6 week grading period (specified by RISD)
 - g. Attending any RHS production (must bring back program/ ticket)
 - h. Going above and beyond the call of duty

ARTICLE XII. **DANCE/ SOCIAL OFFICERS**

Officer Duties

1. Work with director on all performances such as parallel lines, hand routines, halftime, contest, spring show, etc.
2. Meet with the director monthly to discuss the development and progress of the team.
3. Maintain a good working relationship with the director, other officers and the team.
4. Set an example for other team members by maintaining a positive and cooperative attitude, promoting school spirit and team unity, and remaining cool and flexible in times of crisis.
5. Only speak positively about other teams.
6. Attend officer and line camp as scheduled by the director.
7. Hold inspections, check attendance and tardies, for her squad.
8. Responsible for teaching under the direction of the director.
9. Responsible for all props and costumes issued to her and from any game or function and returning them in an orderly fashion.
10. Responsible for keeping a weekly up to date record of each girl's demerits in her squad and reposting them to the team on Mondays.
11. Responsible for her squads attitude and morale.
12. Provides individual help to each of the girls in her squad in learning and perfecting dances.

13. Arrives at every event at least 10 minutes early for inspection and stays at least 10 minutes after any function or until the director dismisses the officers.
14. Must set high standards and always work to perfect her level of performance and ability in whatever she does.
15. Responsible for keeping a notebook containing phone numbers and addresses for each girl, a constitution and any other schedules, rules, etc.

ARTICLE XII. ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP

If a member does not follow performing requirements or if she receives 15 demerits, she is no longer an active member of the team. She may not attend banquet, tryout or run for any office, or receive any awards. **IF THE MEMBER ENDS UP QUITTING AFTER RECEIVING A LETTER JACKET OR IS REMOVED SHE MUST FORFEIT THAT JACKET BACK TO THE SCHOOL. YOU MUST MEET ALL FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS OR YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PERFORM.**

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2010-2011 AGREEMENT FORM

STUDENT STATEMENT:

My signature below certifies that I have read and understand the rules and procedures stated in the RHS Eaglette Constitution. I agree to comply with all rules and procedures written in this Constitution. I understand that my failure to comply with these guidelines may result in disciplinary action, including probation/ removal from an officer position/ dismissal from the team, and ineligibility to tryout for the following year.

Printed Name of Student

Student Signature

Date Signed

PARENT STATEMENT:

My signature below certifies that I have read and understand the rules and procedures stated in the RHS Eaglette Constitution. I agree to comply with all rules and procedures written in this Constitution. I understand that my child must comply with these guidelines. Furthermore, I understand that his/her failure to comply may result in disciplinary action, including probation/ removal from an officer position/ dismissal from the team, and ineligibility to tryout for the following year.

Printed Name of Parent

Parent Signature

Date Signed