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NORTH MAHASKA COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Code of Conduct for Extra-Curricular Activities Associated with

Athletics, Cheerleading, Music, Drama, FFA, Student Council, NHS, Speech, Dance, Sports Medicine Program, Archery, and Shooting Sports

General Statements

1. Extra-curricular activity participation is a student privilege, not a right. Appropriate student conduct for participants in these activities is expected at all times both on the school grounds and also away from school.
2. Extra-curricular activities shall be defined as All school-sponsored and/or school-approved activities including but not limited to: organizations associated with Athletics, Athletic programs, Intramural Sports and Cheerleaders, Music Activities, Drama, FFA, Student Council, Speech, Dance, Sports Medicine Program, Archery, and Shooting Sports.
3. This policy applies to any student who is on school property, who is in attendance at school or at a school-sponsored activity, or whose conduct at any time or in any place interferes with or obstructs the missions or operations of the school district or the safety or the welfare of students, employees, or visitors. This policy shall apply twelve (12) months of the year.
4. The sponsor of extracurricular activity and/or principal may declare ineligible a student whose conduct is contrary to and/or in violation of the established rules and regulations as set out herein. A student who is found to be in violation of the established rules and regulations may continue to participate in any and all practice sessions. The student will be expected to attend any games, contests, or activities as a member of the team, club, or school group unless otherwise directed by the coach or sponsor. All students participating in extracurricular activities are bound by this code of conduct. A copy can be obtained from the office. A statement acknowledging having read and agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the code of conduct, signed by both the student and parent or guardian, must be on file in the principal's office or the athletic director's office before a student can be allowed to represent the school in any contest, game, performance, or activity.
5. Any student who is observed by a staff member or law enforcement official or is found by a preponderance of the evidence, or admits to violating the rules as set forth in the code of conduct will be suspended or ineligible for all extracurricular activities as stated in the code of conduct.
6. Once a student completes 8th Grade, they start the good conduct sequence again, unless the board deems otherwise. **Additionally, if a student with past violations maintains a "clean" record (no Code of Conduct violations) for a period of 2 calendar years, his/her good conduct sequence reverts to the beginning of the violation sequence.**
7. If a student is involved in activities that are detrimental to their health or well-being, we

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encourage them to share their issues with school district staff members. The well-being of students is a top priority in our district.

CODE OF CONDUCT RULES

**All Students, whether currently involved in an extracurricular activity or not, are expected to heed these rules and will be held accountable as are written.*

1. Consumption, use, or possession of amphetamines, depressants, cocaine, or any other drug or substance. This shall also include consumption, use, or possession of marijuana or any other illegal drug and all "look-alike" substances.
2. Possession, handling, or transmission of weapons or dangerous instruments or any object that could be considered a dangerous weapon while on school property, while attending school-sponsored activities, or on trip(s) to and from school activities, except as allowed for archery and shooting sports and approved by the administration.
3. Consumption, use, or possession of alcoholic beverages. Furthermore, any student who is under the influence of alcohol, or alcohol is detected on his/her breath or clothing, will be subject to disciplinary action. Also, any student who is on the premises where any of the substances listed in rules numbered 1 and/or 3 are available for use or consumption by minors, will be subject to disciplinary action. Also prohibited is the use or possession of "look-alike" substances that appear to be alcohol or controlled substances by the student on school property or at any activities sponsored by the school on or off school property.
4. Consumption, use, or possession of any form of tobacco. This includes snuff, dip, chewing tobacco, cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco, E-cigarettes, Vapor other tobacco imitations, or "look-alike" substances.
5. Criminal conviction or admission of any offense which constitutes a serious misdemeanor, aggravated misdemeanor, or felony. Conviction or admission of a simple misdemeanor if it involves an offense of violence.
6. Damage, destruction, **vandalism**, or theft of school property and/or real or personal property of employees, students, or visitors of the school and/or while the guest of an opposing school.
7. Repeated failure to attend school without reasonable and acceptable excuses or repeated failure to make up detentions or other disciplinary actions as rendered by school officials.
8. Any behavior which is not representative of the school district's values as set forth in board policy 503.4 and negatively reflects upon the view others have of our district, could invoke Code of Conduct penalties. This will be handled case by case.
9. These rules shall apply to all extra-curricular activities in which the student participates. If the student is not participating in any activity, then the suspension shall apply to the first

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extracurricular activity in which the individual participates. A student must start the extracurricular activity from the very beginning and will not be allowed to join another extracurricular activity in progress. A suspension may be carded into the next activity in which a student participates when the current season ends and the suspension guidelines have not been fulfilled.

NOTE: The sponsor of the extra-curricular activity may establish and make known rules of conduct and regulations in addition to those above for the students participating in the activity. Those rules of conduct shall be approved by the building principal or his/her designee, shall be in writing, and shall be given to each student in the particular activity prior to their membership or involvement with the activity. If necessary, additional rules of conduct may be established and made during the school year following the same procedure.

HIGH SCHOOL PENALTIES: Violations of school rules, as set forth above, or extra-curricular activities can result in a student being suspended or ineligible from the activity(ies).

- A. Violation of rule(s) number 1 and/or 2
 - a. **First offense:** results in the student being immediately ineligible for the remainder of the current season and tournament season and will also be ineligible for the entire season of the next activity in which the student participates.
 - b. **Second offense:** ineligibility will be for a minimum of one year and permanently if the Board of Education determines that that course of action is appropriate.

- B. Violation of rules numbered 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8
 - a. Results in the student being ineligible for the stated number of events. The student must serve both the athletic suspension (I-XIII) **and** the non-athletic suspension (XIV-XVIII).
 - b. Special exemptions may be given by the principal and/or dean of students for XI-XIV under extenuating circumstances. Example: Events are defined as all activities for the event until they are completed. (County Fair - 1 event, any tournaments - 1 event, etc.)

HIGH SCHOOL			
	Activity	1st Offense	2nd Offense
I	Football	2	6
II	Cross Country	2	6
III	Volleyball	3	10
IV	Basketball	4	12
V	Wrestling	3	10
VI	Track	2	6
VII	Golf	2	6
VIII	Baseball	6	18

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IX	Softball	6	18
X	Cheerleading	*same number of events as the activity for which they are cheering.	
XI	Shooting Sports/Archery	1	4
XII	Dance	2	6
XIII	Sports Medicine Program	*same number of events as the activity for which they are working.	
XIV	Student Council/Class Officer	1	*forfeit of office for the remainder of the year.
XV	Speech	1	2
XVI	Jazz Band	1	3
XVII	FFA/National Honor Society	*FFA/NHS will establish their own discipline in accordance with chapter expectations. Disciplinary action taken by chapter advisors should be discussed with and approved by the administration. All disciplinary action should maintain consistency in enforcement.	
XVIII	Play/Musical	*15 hours of community service to be coordinated by the administration.	
<i>When you participate in multiple sports or activities, the penalty applies to EACH sport or activity you are in.</i>			

- C. For the third violation of rules numbered 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 the student will be declared ineligible for a minimum of one calendar year from the date of the third violation and permanently if the Board of Education determines that the same if appropriate. **NOTICE: These rules shall apply regardless of the geographic location of the violation.**
- D. Violation of rule number 8 may result in a student being suspended the same as for violations in paragraph B or if the principal determines that such a penalty is too severe, a lesser penalty may be imposed.
- E. A student with a fourth violation of any rules during the 9th-12th grade years may be suspended for the remainder of his/her high school eligibility.

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL PENALTIES: Violations of school rules, as set forth above, or extra-curricular activities can result in a student being suspended or ineligible from the activity(ies).

- F. Violation of rule(s) number 1 and/or 2
- a. **First offense:** results in the student being immediately ineligible for the remainder of the current season and tournament season and will also be ineligible for the entire season of the next activity in which the student participates.
 - b. **Second offense:** ineligibility will be for a minimum of one year and permanently if the Board of Education determines that that course of action is appropriate.

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G. Violation of rules numbered 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8

- a. Results in the student being ineligible for the stated number of events. The student must serve both the athletic suspension (I-XI) **and** the non-athletic suspension (XII-XV).
- b. Special exemptions may be given by the principal and/or dean of students for XII-XV under extenuating circumstances. Example: Events are defined as all activities for the event until they are completed. (County Fair - 1 event, any tournaments - 1 event, etc.)

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL			
	Activity	1st Offense	2nd Offense
I	Football	1	4
II	Cross Country	1	4
III	Volleyball	2	6
IV	Basketball	2	8
V	Wrestling	2	6
VI	Track	1	4
VII	Baseball	2	8
VIII	Softball	2	8
IX	Cheerleading	*same number of events as the activity for which they are cheering.	
X	Shooting Sports/Archery	1	4
XI	Dance	2	6
XII	Student Council/Class Officer	1	*forfeit of office for the remainder of the year.
XIII	Jazz Band	1	3
XIV	FFA	*FFA will establish its own discipline in accordance with chapter expectations. Disciplinary action taken by chapter advisors should be discussed with and approved by the administration. All disciplinary action should maintain consistency in enforcement.	
XV	Play/Musical	*15 hours of community service to be coordinated by the administration.	
<i>When you participate in multiple sports or activities, the penalty applies to EACH sport or activity you are in.</i>			

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IMPORTANT NOTES

- It is not required that a student be guilty under the criminal law system. The standard applied shall be if a reasonable person could conclude a violation has occurred. The student and/or their parents or guardians have the right to appeal when a student is judged to have violated this good conduct policy. The appeal process shall be originated with the building principal.
- **Mere Presence Rule:** There are times when students find themselves in an environment where minors are consuming prohibited substances. It is up to the individual to leave the event. The student must call a parent or an adult within 15 minutes of arriving to come and get them. The student must try to stay away from the illegal activity while waiting for a ride. If law enforcement arrives at the party and they have no alcohol in their system, proof (i.e. text messages and/or phone records) will be required as proof that the student called to leave the event. If they are there and have made no attempt to call and leave, they will be considered in violation of the code of conduct and will be punished accordingly.
 - ◆ If a student knowingly poses for a photograph or video in which underaged consumption of substances listed in Rules 1, 3, 4, said student will be held accountable for the code of conduct regardless of mere presence. Posing for a photograph does not display an attempt to remove one's self from the illegal actions.
- Any behavior or action not specifically mentioned above that the administration feels is in violation of the code will be handled in a case by case situation.
- **NOTICE: These rules shall apply regardless of the geographic location of the violation.**

Definitions:

Damage - physical harm caused to something in such a way as to impair its value, usefulness, or normal function.

Destruction - the action or process of causing so much damage to something that it no longer exists or cannot be repaired.

Vandalism - willful or malicious destruction or defacement (the action or process of spoiling the surface or appearance of something) of public or private property.

A FACT SHEET FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS

HEADS UP: Concussion in High School Sports

Please note this important information based on Iowa Code Section 280.13C, Brain Injury Policies:

- (1) A student participating in extracurricular interscholastic activities, in grades seven through twelve, must be immediately removed from participation if the coach, contest official, licensed healthcare provider or emergency medical care provide believe the student has a concussion based on observed signs, symptoms, or behaviors.
- (2) Once removed from participation for a suspected concussion, the student cannot return to participation until written medical clearance has been provided by a licensed health care provider.
- (3) A student cannot return to participation until s/he is free from concussion symptoms at home and at school.
- (4) Definitions:

"Contest official" means a referee, umpire, judge, or other official in an athletic contest who is registered with the Iowa high school athletic association or the Iowa girls high school athletic union.

"Licensed health care provider" means a physician, physician assistant, chiropractor, advanced registered nurse practitioner, nurse, physical therapist, or athletic trainer licensed by a board.

"Extracurricular interscholastic activity" means any extracurricular interscholastic activity means any dance or cheerleading activity or extracurricular interscholastic activity, contest, or practice governed by the Iowa high school athletic association or the Iowa girls high school athletic union that is a contact or limited contact activity as identified by the American academy of pediatrics.

"Medical clearance" means written clearance from a licensed health care provider releasing the student following a concussion or other brain injury to return to or commence participation in any extracurricular interscholastic activity.

What is a concussion?

Concussions are a type of brain injury that disrupt the way the brain normally works. Concussions can occur in any sport or recreational activity and can result from a fall or from players colliding with each other, the ground, or obstacles. Concussions can occur with or without loss of consciousness, but most concussions occur without loss of consciousness.

What parents/guardians should do if they think their child has a concussion?

1. Teach your child that it's not smart to play with a concussion.
2. **OBEY THE LAW.**
 - a. Seek medical attention right away.
 - b. Keep your child out of participation until s/he is cleared to return by a licensed healthcare provider.
3. Tell all of your child's coaches, teachers, and school nurse about ANY concussion.

What are the signs and symptoms of concussion?

Signs and symptoms of concussion can show up right after the injury or may not be noticed until days after the injury. If an athlete reports one or more symptoms of concussion after a bump, blow, or jolt to the head or body, s/he should be removed from play immediately. The athlete should only return to play with permission from a health care provider and after s/he is symptom free at home and at school.

Signs Observed by Parents or Coaches:

- Appears dazed or stunned
- Is confused about assignment or position
- Forgets an instruction
- Is unsure of game, score, or opponent
- Moves clumsily
- Answers questions slowly
- Loses consciousness (even briefly)
- Shows mood, behavior, or personality changes
- Can't recall events prior to hit or fall
- Can't recall events after hit or fall

Symptoms Reported by Student-Athlete:

- Headache or "pressure" in head
- Nausea or vomiting
- Balance problems or dizziness
- Double or blurry vision
- Sensitivity to light
- Sensitivity to noise
- Feeling sluggish, hazy, foggy, or groggy
- Concentration or memory problems
- Confusion
- Just not "feeling right" or is "feeling down"

STUDENTS, If you think you have a concussion:

- **Tell your coaches & parents** – Never ignore a bump or blow to the head, even if you feel fine. Also, tell your coach if you think one of your teammates might have a concussion.
- **Get a medical check-up** – A physician or other licensed health care provider can tell you if you have a concussion, and when it is OK to return to play.
- **Give yourself time to heal** – If you have a concussion, your brain needs time to heal. While your brain is healing, you are much more likely to have another concussion. It is important to rest and not return to play until you get the OK from your health care professional.

PARENTS/GUARDIANS, You can help your child prevent a concussion:

- Make sure they wear the right protective equipment for their activity. It should fit properly, be well maintained, and be worn consistently and correctly.
- Ensure that they follow their coaches' rules for safety and the rules of the sport.
- Encourage them to practice good sportsmanship at all times.

For more information visit: www.cdc.gov/Concussion

IMPORTANT: Students (grades 7-12) participating in interscholastic athletics, cheerleading and dance; and their parents/guardians; must annually sign the acknowledgement below and return it to their school. Students cannot practice or compete in those activities until this form is signed and returned.

We have received the information provided on the concussion fact sheet titled, "HEADS UP: Concussion in High School Sports."

Student's Signature _____

Date _____

Student's Printed Name _____

Parent's/Guardian's Signature _____

Date _____

Student's Grade _____

Student's School _____

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North Mahaska Jr/Sr High Behavior/Consequences Matrix



Major Infractions - Cumulative Record will be cleared upon entry into 9th grade

		Major Infractions - Cumulative Record will be cleared upon entry into 9th grade		
		1st Offense	2nd Offense	3rd Offense
1	Assault/Battery Assault (the threat - real or implied - of physical violence) and Battery (physical violence in which bodily harm occurred)	Suspension, possible expulsion, possible referral to law enforcement	Recommendation for expulsion, referral to law enforcement	
		Good Conduct Violation - Rule #8		
2	Assault/Battery on a School Employee	Suspension, possible expulsion, possible referral to law enforcement	Recommendation for expulsion, referral to law enforcement	
		Good Conduct Violation - Rule #8		
3	Bomb Threats/Explosives	Suspension, possible expulsion, referral to law enforcement	Recommendation for expulsion, referral to law enforcement	
		Good Conduct Violation - Rule #2, #5, #8		
4	Cheating/Plagiarism (Refer to Teacher Syllabus)	Possible Consequences: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zero on the assignment • Grade reduction on the assignment • Redo the assignment • Detention 	Possible Consequences: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zero on the assignment • Grade reduction on the assignment • Redo the assignment • Detention 	Possible Consequences: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zero on the assignment • Grade reduction on the assignment • Redo the assignment • Detention • Loss of course credit
		Good Conduct Violation - Rule #8 (first violation will be considered a good conduct warning)		
5	Drugs/Alcohol/Tobacco (Possession, Distribution, or Use)	1-3 days of suspension, notify law enforcement	2-5 days of suspension, notify law enforcement	5 days of suspension, notify law enforcement

		Good Conduct Violation - Rule #1, #3		
6	Extortion/Threats	1-3 days of suspension, behavior contract	2-5 days of suspension, recommendation for expulsion	
		Good Conduct Violation - Rule #8		
7	False Fire Alarm/Tampering	Suspension, possible expulsion, referral to law enforcement	Recommendation for expulsion, referral to law enforcement	
		Good Conduct Violation - Rule #8		
8	False/Misleading Information (forgery, misuse of school passes)	1 hour detention (to be served on 1 Wednesday after school or 2 consecutive school days before or after school)	1 day suspension	1-3 day suspension
			Good Conduct Violation - Rule #8 (first violation will be considered a good conduct warning)	
9	Fighting	Suspension	Suspension and/or recommendation for expulsion	
		Good Conduct Violation - Rule #8		
10	Fireworks (includes possession and/or igniting in the school building(s) or on school property)	Suspension and/or possible expulsion		
		Good Conduct Violation - Rule #2		
11	Gang Involvement/Display Symbols	Informing law enforcement, behavior contract, meeting with student & parents before returning to school		
		Good Conduct Violation - Rule #8		
12	Profane, Obscene or Abusive language/materials/gestures (Student to School Employee)	Suspension	Suspension, behavior contract	Suspension, recommendation for expulsion
			Good Conduct Violation - Rule #8 (first violation will be considered a good conduct warning)	

13	Profane, Obscene or Abusive Language/materials/gestures (Student to Student)	1-2 hours detention (to be served on 2 Wednesdays after school or 2-4 consecutive school days before or after school)	1 day suspension	Suspension to be determined by administration
			Good Conduct Violation - Rule #8 (first violation will be considered a good conduct warning)	

Minor Infractions
Record will be cleared yearly

	1st Offense	2nd Offense	3rd Offense	4th Offense
1	Call Phone Misuse <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phone is brought to the office for the remainder of the day. Student may pick it up at 3:30 or at the conclusion of their last scheduled class. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phone is brought to the office for the remainder of the day. Student may pick it up at 3:30 or at the conclusion of their last scheduled class. Parents contacted 30 minutes detention to be served within 24 hours 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phone is brought to the office for the remainder of the day. Student may pick it up at 3:30 or at the conclusion of their last scheduled class. Parents contacted 60 minutes detention to be served within 48 hours OR full 60 served on the next Wednesday PARENT PICK-UP THE PHONE FROM THE OFFICE Student is required to turn the phone into the office for the next 5 school days 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phone is brought to the office for the remainder of the day. Student may pick it up at 3:30 or at the conclusion of their last scheduled class. Parents contacted 90 minute detention to be served within 72 hours - OR 60 served on the next Wednesday + 30 minute detention within 24 hours PARENT PICK-UP THE PHONE FROM THE OFFICE Student is required to turn the phone into the office for the next 10 school days
2	Insubordination (any action that results in the students' refusal to comply with the directions or instructions given by	To be determined by the teacher - reported to the principal and/or dean of students.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 hour detention (to be served on 1 Wednesday after school or 2 consecutive school days before or after school) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In-School Suspension (to be served on 1 Wednesday after school or 2 consecutive school days before or after school) Out-of-School Suspension (to be served on 1 Wednesday after school or 2 consecutive school days before or after school)

	school authorities)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parent contact 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parent contact 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parent Meeting
3	Computer/iPad Misuse	30 minutes detention to be served within 24 hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 60 minutes detention to be served within 48 hours OR full 60 served on the next Wednesday. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 90 minutes detention to be served within 72 hours OR full 60 served on the next Wednesday + 30 minute detention within 24 hours. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 120 minutes detention to be served within 5 school days OR full 60 served on the next 2 Wednesdays.
4	Dress Code Violation (All violations are at the discretion of administration)	Sent home for other clothing or other clothing will be provided. <i>Student must return to school in a reasonable amount of time or it will be counted as an unexcused absence.</i>	Same as the first offense + 30 minute detention to be served within 24 hours.	Same as the first offense + 60 minute detention to be served within 48 hours OR full 60 served on the next Wednesday.	Same as the first offense + 1 day ISS.
5	Failure to report to detention	½ day ISS	1 day ISS	2 days ISS	3 days ISS
6	Leaving Campus w/o permission from office	1 day ISS	1-3 day ISS or OSS	1-3 day ISS or OSS	1-3 day ISS or OSS
7	Parking/Driving Issues (On school grounds or reported from other school administration)	Warning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 30 minute detention Loss of parking privileges for 1 week 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 60 minute detention Loss of parking privileges for 2 weeks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 120 minute detention Loss of parking privileges indefinitely
8	Public Display of Affection	Conference with administration	30 minute detention	60 minute detention	120 minute detention
9	Removal from class	30 minute detention	60 minute detention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 120 minute detention Conference with 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ISS No reinstatement to class

	(may include call for administrative support)		parent/guardian	● Student receives an F
10	<u>Tardy</u>	1 detention will be given for every 3 tardies accumulated in one week. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Each week students will begin with a clean slate. However, if persistent tardiness becomes a problem for individual class periods, teachers and/or administrators have the authority to give detentions should it be deemed necessary. 		

***Repeated minor offenses may result in a violation of the Code of Conduct - Rule #8 - Administrative decision.**

*** All detentions must be served in accordance with this matrix or within 24 hours (unless other arrangements have been made).**

****Code of Conduct Rule #7: Repeated failure to attend school without reasonable and acceptable excuses or repeated failure to make up detentions.**

HEADS UP: CONCUSSION IN HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

IMPORTANT: Students participating in interscholastic athletics, cheerleading, and dance, and their parents/guardians must sign the acknowledgement below and return it to their school. Students cannot practice or compete in those activities until this form is signed and returned.

We have received the information provided on the concussion fact sheet titled "HEADS UP:" Concussion in High School Sports

Student's Signature Date

Student's Printed Name

Parent/Guardian Signature Date

Student's School

Code of Conduct

I, have been given a copy of the Code of Conduct for extra-curricular activities. My parent/guardian has read the code. We understand the rules and the disciplinary measures and procedures.

Student Signature _____

Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date _____

Jr./Sr. High Behavior/Consequences Matrix

I, have been given a copy of the Jr./Sr. High School Behavior/Consequences Matrix for all students. My parent/guardian has read this matrix and understand the rules, procedures and disciplinary measures.

Student Signature _____

Date _____

Parent Signature _____

Date _____

Insurance Coverage

Every student participating in athletics, including cheerleading and dance, must have insurance coverage. This section is mandatory to be filled out for your student to participate in sports.

_____ is covered with insurance or athletic injuries
Name of Student

Name of Insurance Company

Policy Number

This section to be filled out only by those participating in football

PARENTS/PARTICIPANTS - Read the following paragraph before signing at the bottom of the page. **DO NOT USE** your helmet to butt, ram, or spear an opposing player. This is a violation of football rules and can result in severe head, brain and neck injury, paralysis, or death to you and possible injury to the opponent. There is a **RISK** these injuries may also occur as a result of accidental contact without intent to butt, ram or spear. **No** helmet can prevent all such injuries.

WE HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND ALL OF THE ABOVE STATEMENTS:

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Participant Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent Permission Form To Ride Home With Someone Other Than The Participant's Parents

North Mahaska students attending school-sponsored events away from the school are required to ride the transportation provided by the district to the event and back to the high school. There are some exceptions to this rule:

1. Students may ride home from the event with a parent/guardian providing the parent/guardian signs the approved form in the presence of the sponsor.
2. Students may be excused from riding to an event in school provided transportation in special circumstances only by the principal/superintendent. For example: occasionally a student participates in 2 different school events on the same day. The school will make every effort to transport the student(s) using school transportation to the second event. If school transportation cannot be arranged, parents may be given permission to transport their child.
3. Parents may designate the sign out authority to grandparents, another participant's parents or grandparents. This sign out authority can only be granted to parents and grandparents. It cannot be granted to siblings, friends, etc.

Parents may designate those parents or grandparents who may sign out their child at away events by completing the form below. This form must be returned to the principal's office before anyone other than a parent can sign out a child. This authorization will be in effect for the current school year. Parents may change those who are authorized to sign out their child by coming into the school office. If this form is not returned, then only parents will be allowed to sign out their child.

Student Name: _____

As a parent of the above named North Mahaska student, I give my permission for the people listed below to sign out my child from riding home on the school provided transportation. The persons listed are the child's grandparents or another participants' parents or grandparents. This authorization will last throughout the 2022-2023 school year including softball and baseball. A parent must come into the high school office to implement any changes in names on this form.

The following people have my permission to sign out my child: (Only four (4) names may be listed)

_____	_____
_____	_____

Parents Signature _____

Date _____