

YOUTH SPORTS AGREEMENT

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Purpose

The purpose of this document is to outline the agreement between Crosby-Ironton Public Schools, ISD 182, hereinafter referred to as the "School" and Ranger Youth Sports, Inc., a 501-c-3 non-profit organization formed for the purpose of "Joining the area communities to empower kids through youth sports and activities", hereinafter referred to as "Ranger Youth Sports".

The School ~~will~~ transitioned all elementary youth sports and off-season sports for all sports that have a varsity sport component offered by the School to Ranger Youth Sports. This list includes the following: Elementary Football, Elementary Volleyball, Elementary Baseball, Elementary Softball, Elementary Boys Basketball, Elementary Girls Basketball, Elementary Tennis, Ranger Ride, Ranger Run, JO Volleyball, Legion Baseball. These sports include activities including practice, games, camps and tournaments.

This transition ~~will~~ started with activities for the winter season of the 2023-2024 school year. The School's Community Education program ~~will~~ no longer ~~have~~ has any direct involvement with these sports, except to include them as offerings listed in Community Education publications and websites and scheduling of facilities per School Board policy.

Philosophical Goals

Ranger Youth Sports and the School ~~will~~ work collaboratively, to the extent possible, with the goal of avoiding duplication of scheduling during the summer months so that students can participate in as many programs as possible without having to choose between opportunities. This includes youth sports, theater, Camp Invention and other activities that might be available.

Ranger Youth Sports and the School also agree that it is advantageous for the youth sports program to be a feeder program for the School's junior high, junior varsity and varsity sporting programs. To that end, there may be collaboration between Ranger Youth Sports and the School's varsity coaching staff to provide programming in skill development, teamwork, and other skills so that youth athletes can become contributing participants in the Schools secondary sports programs.

Communication is best served when the fewest number of people are involved. To that end, the main points of operational contact for the School are the ~~Community Ed Coordinator, District Office Secretary,~~ **Facilities Scheduler** and Activities Director. Ranger Youth Sports agrees to provide the name of one or two contact people who will facilitate the range of needs associated with all Ranger Youth Sports programs. Ranger Youth Sports contacts may vary by season or remain the same over the course of the year. Ranger Youth Sports shall notify the Community Ed Coordinator of the names of these individual(s)

prior to the commencement of each period of change.

Student safety and school building security are vitally important. Student safety involves many elements, such as background checks for adults involved in programs to make sure students are appropriately supervised during activities and all students are picked up by parents before program volunteers leave. School building security involves such things as making sure that the building is without occupancy at the end of events, that doors are locked and that, when leaving, a check that the door actually closed and latched takes place.

Facilities

The School's facilities, both indoor and outdoor, will be made available to Ranger Youth Sports as activities are planned and approved. The School will make such facilities available in accordance with the terms and conditions of the School District's Facilities Use Policy and in the following priority order:

- Overall School functions, including maintenance and repair, shall receive first priority
- Varsity, Junior Varsity, and Junior High sports shall receive second priority
- Ranger Youth Sports shall receive third priority
- Other community activities shall receive fourth priority

The School operates under established operating protocols and procedures. These include, but are not limited to, custodial staffing in school buildings during the school year from Monday through Friday, 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. During the summer months, custodial hours are Monday through Friday from 6:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. During the winter heating season, a custodian is required to be present in the building whenever the facility is occupied by individuals other than School District staff. Custodial responsibilities include unlocking and securing the building at the beginning and end of use and ensuring that the facility meets acceptable cleanliness standards for normal school operations on the subsequent school or business day.

Ranger Youth Sports agrees that all uses of School facilities, including practices, skills sessions, open gyms, and events, must be scheduled in advance through the School's facilities scheduler and in accordance with the established scheduling process. Ranger Youth Sports shall be considered a not-for-profit user under School Board policy.

For practices, skills sessions, and open gym activities, when no outside teams, officials, or spectators are present, and when such use is properly scheduled, a custodian is not required to be present in the building, provided that building use does not conflict with School District operational requirements.

For tournaments, competitions, games, or other events involving outside teams, coaches, officials, or spectators, a custodian is required to be present in the building for the duration of the event, including opening and securing the facility. In such cases, custodial services shall be scheduled in advance, and Ranger Youth Sports agrees to pay the applicable custodial rate in accordance with the School District's current fee schedule.

Ranger Youth Sports further agrees that all facilities used for practices, skills sessions, open gyms, or events shall be left in clean and orderly condition, including removal of all trash, personal items, and equipment brought into the facility. The expectation is that facilities will be returned to a condition that requires no additional custodial cleanup beyond normal daily operations. Should an issue arise (clogged drain, toilet, etc.) while practice is taking place, the coach/supervisor should call Hannah Wesner, RYP President, to connect with someone to get things taken care of promptly. Adults will ensure, before leaving, no doors are propped open and the building is secured (locked). Volunteers are not responsible for setting the alarm.

Facilities

~~The School's facilities, both indoor and outdoor, will well serve Ranger Youth Sports as activities are planned. The School will make those facilities available to Ranger Youth Sports as provided under the terms and conditions of the School's Facilities Use Policy in the following priority order:~~

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~~———— Varsity, JV and JH sports will receive second priority~~

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~~Ranger Youth Sports agrees to request use of School facilities through the School's facilities scheduler and to follow the scheduling process that has been established by the School. Ranger Youth Sports shall be considered as a not for profit user under the School Board's policy.~~

Billable Expenses from the School

There may be times when the School will incur costs to provide facilities, staff and equipment for Ranger Youth Sports. Ranger Youth Sports shall reimburse the School for these costs. Costs include custodial salary, FICA and PERA (retirement) for custodial coverage of special events held during times when the School does not have custodial staff on duty. These events need to be scheduled well in advance of the date of need to allow the School time to follow the custodial scheduling rules that exist with its bargaining unit. Generally this time frame is two to three weeks in advance, with longer notification periods being advantageous for planning purposes.

Other billable expenses may include supply items where it is more advantageous for the School to make purchases and provide product rather than Ranger Youth Sports to purchase separately, such as field marking chalk.

Fields will be provided to use without charge. The School District will provide weekly mowing, weekly machine dragging, securing bases, general field maintenance and garbage removal. Ranger Youth Sports will be responsible for preparing the field for their own use including but not limited to, dragging the field and chalking lines. If additional field marking is required and needs to be done by School custodial staff, charges for time may be incurred.

Use of School Equipment

Definition of equipment, referred to later as “normal equipment” includes: balls, bats, uniforms, safety equipment, cones, chalk or paint, or other consumable items. It is not intended to include things that are part of the School building or field, referred to later as “major equipment”, such as existing volleyball standards, bases, basketball hoops, scoreboards, tennis court nets and other major equipment that will be available for Ranger Youth Sports to use as part of the facilities request process.

The goal of the transition is to keep youth sports programs running throughout and to allow continuing use of school equipment by Ranger Youth Sports. The ultimate goal is that Ranger Youth Sports will eventually have resources to provide sufficient equipment to be self sustaining in terms of equipment use.

Ranger Youth Sports agrees that both normal equipment and major equipment that is the property of the School shall be used and returned in the same condition it was prior to use, barring normal wear and tear, and shall compensate the School for the cost to repair or replace damaged, lost or stolen equipment where the damage, lost or theft occurred while in the custody and use of Ranger Youth Sports.

Storage

Due to demand for space and limited storage available at the School, Ranger Youth Sports will store their equipment at an offsite location. School equipment will be returned after use and stored at the School.

General Conditions

Ranger Youth Sports is responsible for making sure all students in their programs are supervised awaiting parent pick up and all students are picked up before leaving the site. Ranger Youth Sports will establish and monitor if siblings are allowed to be dropped off with their participating siblings. If so, then Ranger Youth Sports agrees to supervise those not participating.

In the interest of student safety, the School recommends that Ranger Youth Sports completes background checks on all staff and volunteers.

The School will provide key cards as needed to Ranger Youth Sports for access to School facilities. The key cards provided are for Ranger Youth Sports use only. Key cards are not to be used by anyone to access the School buildings for personal use or use that has not been pre-approved by the Facilities Scheduler.

Ranger Youth Sports agrees to provide the School with a certificate of insurance and shall name the School as an additional named insured, with coverage provided prior to and during all times that Ranger Youth Sports activities are occurring.

Ranger Youth Sports, Inc. is a separate and independent entity not affiliated with the School. This should be made clear to parents on forms and in advertising and any other communication needs deemed necessary to convey that Ranger Youth Sports activities are not operated by the School.