

High-Risk Clubs and Activities Policy

A “high-risk” club is club formed by students as a co-curricular activity alternative to an existing team or class on the Cuesta College campus such as volleyball, badminton, soccer, etc. (“High Risk Clubs”). High Risk Clubs must be approved by the Associated Students organization as a High Risk Club. All High Risk Clubs are subject to the requirements, limitations and prohibitions set forth in this High Risk Clubs and Activities Policy (“High Risk Club Policies”).

Student Participation In High Risk Clubs.

Participation in High Risk Clubs a voluntary student activity. Student participation in existing classes or teams of the San Luis Obispo County Community College District (“District”) shall not be conditioned on student participation in an associated or related High Risk Club. Participation in a High Risk Club shall be limited to individuals who are currently enrolled students of the San Luis Obispo County Community College District (Cuesta College). High Risk Clubs approved by the Associated Students organization shall not permit participation by any individuals who are not currently enrolled students of the District. Each High Risk Club is responsible for verifying the student enrollment status of participants or prospective participants in the High Risk Club.

Assumption of Risk.

Students participating in a High Risk Clubs shall assume all risks of participating in the High Risk Club or activities of a High Risk Club. Participation in a High Risk Club or any activity of a High Risk Club shall be conditioned on participants’ execution of a Release, Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity/Hold Harmless (“Release”) in such form and content established by the District. The parent or guardian of any participant in a High Risk Club or an activity of a High Risk Club who under the age of eighteen (18) must also execute an Authorization of Emergency Medical Treatment-Minors (“Medical Authorization”) in such form and content established by the District as a condition for such minor individual to participate in a High Risk Club or a High Risk Club activity. High Risk Clubs and the advisor for each High Risk Club shall not permit any individual to participate in the High Risk Club or activities of the High Risk Club unless such individual has executed the Release and the Medical Authorization, if required.

Each High Risk Club and the advisor for each High Risk Club are responsible for enforcing the requirement for execution of the Release and/or Medical Authorization by every participant in the High Risk Club or a High Risk Club activity. Each High Risk Club and the advisor for each High Risk Club are responsible for delivery of executed Releases and/or Medical Authorizations to the office of the District’s Vice President, Administrative Services prior to permitting any individual to participate in the High Risk Club or a High Risk Club activity.

Costs

Participants in High Risk Clubs and High Risk Clubs are responsible for all costs arising out of or related to activities and operations of the High Risk Club, including without

limitation, facility use fees/charges, travel expenses/costs, property damage and any other costs associated with membership in a High Risk Clubs, participation in High Risk Club activities and/or operation of a High Risk Club.

Associated Students Organization Approval of High Risk Clubs.

The Associated Students organization will establish procedures for submittal of requests to approve a High Risk Club. Approval of a High Risk Club will be for such time/duration as determined in the discretion of the Associated Students organization, but in no event will approval of a High Risk Club be for more than one academic calendar year.

In addition to procedures established by the Associated Students organization for approval of a High Risk Club, each application of a High Risk Club for Associated Students approval must include:

- High Risk Club name and purpose.

- High Risk Club officers and advisor

- The related “co-curricular” team or class to the High Risk Club

- Anticipated High Risk Club participants

- High Risk Club procedures for securing participants Releases and/or Medical Authorizations

- Anticipated High Risk Club activities

General

Not District Agents. High-Risk Clubs are not agents of the Associated Students or the District. High Risk Clubs shall not engage in any action or conduct which expressly or impliedly represents that the High Risk Club is an agent of the Associated Students or the District.

High Risk Club Participants Conduct. All High Risk Club participants must adhere to the District Student Code of Conduct, the District’s Code of Ethics for recognized clubs, District Board Policies/Administrative Procedures and pertinent executive orders. Club members must show proper behavior and decorum on the field, on road trips and on campus. Behavior that is inconsistent with the Code of Conduct, the Code of Ethics for recognized clubs, District Board Policies/Administrative Procedures and pertinent executive orders policies will be referred to the Assistant Superintendent/Vice President of Student Success and Support Programs for review and action.

Transportation. High Risk Club participants are responsible for transportation to/from High Risk Club Activities. Drivers of vehicles transporting participants to/from a High Risk Club activity must secure automobile liability insurance with not less than the minimum coverage limits required by law. If requested by the District, drivers and/or High Risk Clubs must provide Certificates of Insurance evidencing the automobile liability insurance required by this High Risk Clubs Policy.

Insurance. All High Risk Club participants who are enrolled students of the District and in good standing with the Associated Students organization are covered under the District’s general liability insurance policy covering damages arising out of for accidental

injury occurring during club activities, such as scheduled practices, competitions, or approved travel to and from scheduled competition. In order to access the general liability insurance policy, an injury/accident report or claim form must be completed through the Athletics Office, Health Center, or Office of Administrative Services. The Associated Students organization is authorized to deny or rescind approval for any High Risk Club which group due to excessive liability risks.

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