# W.P. Wagner Extracurricular Involvement Policy

### **Guiding Principles:**

- It is a privilege and not a right to participate in W.P. Wagner's extracurricular activities and programs. (Extracurricular activities and programs include athletic teams, clubs, Student's Union, Leadership, international trips, optional field trips and all other opportunities that are not offered on a credit basis.)
- Academic achievement will be the first priority for students at Wagner.
- If a student's past or present behaviours do not meet the expectations outlined in this document, a meeting will be held to determine if it is in the best interests of the student to be allowed to join/or continue in the activity (this meeting may involve coaches, staff sponsors, department heads and or members of the administration).

# **Student Responsibilities:**

It is expected that all students participating in extracurricular activities at W.P. Wagner will:

- attend and be punctual for all classes throughout the year;
- work to the best of their ability in classes;
- notify their teachers of any absence from class as far in advance as possible;
- complete and submit all assignments, exams and other missed work;
- be in good standing with their teachers, staff sponsors and coaches;
- cooperate and behave respectfully toward all staff, students, opponents, clinicians and guests
- be a proud, respectful and courteous ambassador for our school;
- follow W.P. Wagner's Code of Conduct as outlined in the student handbook and as signed off at the beginning of the year.

#### **Extracurricular Activity Staff Sponsor Responsibilities:**

It is expected that all staff sponsors will:

- ensure that all participants understand and agree to follow W.P. Wagner's Extracurricular Involvement Policy;
- inform students that their behaviour, attendance and academic performance will be monitored on an ongoing basis;
- provide a list to Wagner staff of students being considered for the activity and request feedback pertaining to any relevant curricular, attendance or behavioral issues;
- meet with any staff member raising concern about a student who has expressed interest in joining an activity to determine if it is in the best interest of the student to be allowed to join the activity
- clearly communicate the rationale for denying participation to the student and his/her parent or guardian

#### Consequences

In the event that a student involved in an extracurricular activity fails to meet the student responsibilities outlined above, the staff sponsor will work with members of the administration to determine if it is in the best interests of the student to be allowed to continue in the activity. Decisions will be clearly communicated to the student and his or her parent.