

Part 1. Purpose: The Rochester Community and Technical College Intercollegiate Athletic program serves students who desire athletic competition as a way to reach a better awareness of themselves and others by developing skills, teamwork and sportsmanship through competition.

Part 2. Membership: Rochester Community and Technical College shall have membership in the Minnesota College Athletic Conference (MCAC) and shall be affiliated with the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA).

Part 3. Eligibility Requirements: Eligibility requirements are established by the NJCAA and MCAC.

Part 4. Physicals: Students are required to have a physical examination **prior** to being issued any equipment or participation in any college athletic program, including **practice**. Students are responsible for acquiring a physical exam at their own expense. The RCTC Health Services provides athletic physicals during the academic year (September through mid-May) for a nominal fee. Appointments are required and must be made in advance by contacting Health Services. Physical exams are only good for one year from the date of exam and must be renewed annually. The College **MUST** have a copy of the physical on file in the athletic training room office before any student will be allowed to practice or participate in scrimmages/games.

Part 5. Insurance: All students who wish to participate in the College intercollegiate athletic program must carry medical insurance. A copy of the College's Athletic Department's Insurance Questionnaire must be on file with the Athletic Trainer prior to any student being allowed to practice or participate in scrimmages/games. The College does not provide athletic insurance.

Part 6. Injuries: The College Athletic Trainer has the authority to determine who may or may not participate and to what extent when they have been injured. Injured athletes will be required to follow the rehabilitation program set up by the Athletic Trainer and to attend all scheduled treatment sessions. All injuries must be immediately reported to the Athletic Trainer.

Part 7. Equipment: Students participating in intercollegiate athletics will be responsible for all equipment issued to them. Holds will be placed on all records and athletic awards for all equipment for which not accounted.

Part 8. Travel.

Subpart A. Coaches and student athletes, in good standing, **must** travel with the team to all competitions, unless restricted to do so because of NJCAA or MCAC sanction(s).

Subpart B. Personal cars may only be driven with the approval of the Head Coach and the Athletic Director. If such permission has been granted, then the private vehicle must follow the team vehicle(s) to and from the site of competition unless permission is granted by the Head Coach and Athletic Director.

Subpart C. Student athletes **MUST** travel back to the college with the team unless they have had prior approval to leave with their parent/guardian or partner/spouse from the opponent's site. All requests for students returning with parents or spouse must be submitted a minimum of one (1) day prior to departure on the appropriate Travel Release Form(s), and must be approved by the Head Coach and the Athletic Director.

Subpart D. The College prohibits the unlawful possession, use or distribution of drugs and alcohol by students and employees on the College premises, or in conjunction with any college sponsored activity or event, whether on or off campus. There shall be no transporting or use of recreational drugs while traveling with any college athletic team by anybody in the official traveling party. The "official traveling party" consists of coaches, athletes, volunteers, and the Athletic Department staff. The College will impose sanctions on students and employees who violate this policy.

Subpart E. The official traveling party represents the College, the athletic department and the College community. The College expects appropriate conduct by everyone in the official traveling party.

Subpart F. When lodging is involved, the College will take care of room charges only. Telephone, pay TV or other costs are the responsibility of the occupant(s) of the room. Any room damages shall be the responsibility of the occupant(s). Violators will not be allowed to participate in any further practices or contests and a hold shall be placed on the students' records until full restitution is received.

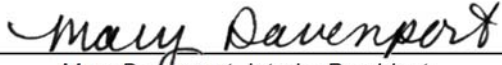

Part 9. Tobacco. All college buildings are tobacco free. The use of all tobacco products are prohibited by athletes in any part of the Regional Sports Center, on any of our athletic fields or during any athletic event as per NJCAA and Minnesota College Athletic Conference rules and regulations.

Part 10. Release of Information. In an effort to assist students in their academic endeavors and to make sure they are receiving proper medical care, students are required to sign an Academic Release and Medical Release form.

Date of Implementation: Immediate

Date of Adoption: 4/28/2009

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 _____ Mary Davenport, Interim President	 _____ Date
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