



**2009–2010**

**Behavior Covenant**

For Students Participating in Extra-Curricular Activities

Participation in Providence extra-curricular program is a privilege, not a right. This privilege is granted to students who display good citizenship, abide by the law, follow the rules and regulations of Providence Academy and the Minnesota State High School League, and commit themselves to academic success.

Participants in extracurricular activities represent more than themselves when they compete or perform. People often judge our community by the conduct and attitude displayed by athletes or performers, whether the students are in or out of school. Therefore, students involved in extra-curricular activities are expected to maintain an especially high standard of conduct.

Providence Academy, along with the Minnesota State High School League, recognizes that the use of any legally unauthorized drugs, tobacco, or alcohol is, simply, illegal. As such, this covenant restates expectations of the Parent/Student Handbook (whose section on Alcohol, Tobacco and Drug Policy is attached).

Further, under this covenant attendance at any event involving illegal use of drugs, tobacco, or alcohol is forbidden. Students who find themselves at such an event are expected, in order to avoid possible violation, to remove themselves (or request that a responsible adult remove them) from the event as quickly as possible. Any who choose not to remove themselves will be in violation of obligations under this covenant.

The first offense penalty for the use, possession, sale, or transfer of any legally unauthorized drugs, tobacco, or alcohol, or upon administrative review of your attendance at any event involving such activities, entails:

1. Being subject to any one or more of the penalties listed for a first offense in the 'ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, AND DRUG POLICY' section of the Parent/Student Handbook.
2. Ineligibility for the next two consecutive contests or two weeks, 14 calendar days, of a season in which the student is a participant, whichever is greater. (This is the minimal expectation of the Minnesota State High School League.)
3. Ineligibility for any awards for that season (including lettering, all-conference honors, etc.).

The second-offense penalty for the use, possession, sale, or transfer of any legally unauthorized drugs, tobacco, or alcohol, or upon administrative review of your attendance at any event involving such activities, entails:

1. Be subject to one or more of the penalties listed for a second offense in the 'ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, AND DRUG POLICY' section of the Parent/Student Handbook.
2. Ineligibility for the next six consecutive contests or three weeks, 21 calendar days, of a season in which the student is a participant, whichever is greater. (This is the minimal expectation of the Minnesota State High School League.)

The third offense penalty for the use, possession, sale, or transfer of any legally unauthorized drugs, tobacco, or alcohol, or upon administrative review of your attendance at any event involving such activities, entails:

1. Be subject to the penalties listed for a third offense in the 'ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, AND DRUG POLICY' section of the Parent/Student Handbook.
2. Ineligibility from the entire extra-curricular program for the remainder of the student's high school career.

Please sign and return the covenant on the following page.  
Keep this page for your records.



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I have read and I understand the Providence Academy 2009–2010 Behavior Covenant for Students Participating in Extra-Curricular Activities. I agree to comply with the policy. Further, I understand that I am committing to abstaining from the use, possession, sale, or transfer of any legally unauthorized drugs, tobacco, or alcohol, and from attending any event involving such activities.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(please print neatly)

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

I plan on participating in the following extra-curricular activities: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I have read and I understand the Providence Academy 2009–2010 Behavior Covenant for Students involved in extra-curricular activities. As the parent/guardian, I agree to support the policy.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

\*This covenant must be turned in before a student is allowed to participate in an extra-curricular program.