**Heart of Appalachia Talent Search Program Policies**

**No Show, No Go Policy**

Part of a student’s excitement about being a participant in the Heart of Appalachia Talent Search Program is going on cultural and educational trips. The HATS Program is constantly working toward pro-viding additional travel opportunities for our students. Unfortunately, due to an increased number of students signing up for trips, but failing to show up the day of the event, we must enforce our “**No Show, No Go**” policy.

***Students who fail to provide at least 48 hours notice of their decision not to attend a HATS sponsored trip, will not be permitted to attend any trips thereafter for the remainder of the academic year.*** Exceptions will be made only for those students who can provide evidence of a family emergency.

This policy will be enforced due to the high cost associated with “No Shows”. So remember, if you are a **“No Show”** you will **“Not Go”** on trips with HATS for the remainder of the academic year. If we have a continuous problem of students signing up and not showing up, we will have to make cuts in the amount of trips and activities that we can offer due to wasted money. **Each time you fail to show up for a trip, and average of between $100 to $200 is lost.** Help us to be able to offer more trips for all of our students!

Contact the office as soon as possible if you have an emergency that would not allow you to attend a HATS event.

**Dress Code Policy**

It is expected that students dress in a style that is conducive to learning. The dress code applies to ALL HATS-sponsored events, including field trips, workshops, and on-site events. Students dressed inappropriately will be subject to disciplinary action.

* Undergarments & midriff (front & back) must be covered at all times
* Pants must cover undergarments & must be worn at the waist.
* No muscle shirts or athletic shirts
* No spaghetti straps, strapless, backless tops, low-cut tops, tube, or halter-tops.
* Straps on shirts must be at least 2 in. wide.
* No extremely low necklines (no cleavage)
* Shorts/skirts must reach below the length of the fingertips (arms extended down straight to the side).
* It is strongly suggested that students wear safe footwear (flip-flops may not be appropriate for all events).
* No heavy pocket chains; no spike jewelry – safety issues.
* No offensive remarks may be printed on any article of clothing, jewelry, backpacks, etc. (i.e. advertisement of alcohol, drugs, cigarettes, weapons, profanity, etc.)
* No pajama-type clothing.

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| 1ST OFFENSE  | * Student will be required to change into appropriate clothing.
* Written notification sent to parent/guardian.
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| 2ND OFFENSE  | * Student will be required to change into appropriate clothing and he/she will not be permitted to attend a HATS event for the remainder of the academic calendar year.
* A meeting will be held with parent/guardian to clarify the dress code policy.
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By signing this form you understand the above rules and agree to follow them.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature : \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_