COLUMBIA INVITATIONAL POLICY ON VANDALISM

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Schools participating in the Columbia Invitational must submit a copy of the Vandalism Policy signed by both the coach and principal of the school. The signed statement is to be submitted at the time of morning registration. Team members must be supervised at all times during the tournament, including the assigned classrooms serving as the team home base. The coach of each team is obligated to report any instance of damage to the Invitational Coordinator as soon as possible after that damage occurs. Vandalism means a deliberate action which results in damage to or loss of property. This action may be malicious or taken with reckless disregard for property. Vandalism includes, but is not limited to, theft, graffiti, damage to facility property, and damage to the personal property of competitors, judges and spectators. If a team member or members or persons associated with a team commit(s) an act of vandalism, the team will be disqualified from the competition and will receive no points. Whether members of that team who were not involved in the vandalism are eligible to receive individual medals in events will be determined by the circumstances and at the discretion of the Invitational Coordinator. An individual who commits an act of vandalism may be barred from future competitions. A student who damages the property of another team during impounding or during the competition in an event will be penalized for each infraction. If the event supervisor, in his or her discretion, determines that the damage was reckless, such as occurring as a result of a student improperly entering a restricted area or running or jumping on or near the impounded devices, the student will be penalized for that event. If, however, the event supervisor determines that the damage was caused by an intentional or otherwise malicious action, the event supervisor will report the action to the Invitational Coordinator and the team will be penalized at least 50 points, based on the severity of the infraction. Each school in attendance must agree to pay the cost of repairing damage from any act of vandalism. The act of vandalism will be reported to the school’s regional and state directors. I have read and understand the above policy on acceptable behavior including the prohibition of vandalism and discourtesy, and I have discussed this with the team members, and will accept the consequences of violation of the policy as assessed by the Columbia Invitational officials.

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Coach Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Captain Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_