

AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATIVE SPONSORSHIP OF GIRLS GYMNASTICS

Addition of St Clair Public Schools

PARTIES

This Agreement is entered into by the School Boards of Independent School District No. 829, Waseca Public Schools (the "Host School"); Independent School District No. 2835, Janesville-Waldorf-Pemberton Public Schools; Independent School District No. 2168, New Richland-Hartland-Ellendale-Geneva Public Schools; Independent School District No. 2143, Waterville-Elysian-Morristown Public Schools; and Independent School District No. 75, St. Clair Public Schools (collectively, the "Participating Districts").

St. Clair Public Schools is joining the existing girls gymnastics cooperative sponsored by Waseca Public Schools, Janesville-Waldorf-Pemberton Public Schools, New Richland-Hartland-Ellendale-Geneva Public Schools, and Waterville-Elysian-Morristown Public Schools. Except as modified by this Agreement, the existing cooperative arrangement remains in effect.

RECITALS

- **WHEREAS**, the Participating Districts wish to provide sustainable, education-based athletic opportunities for their students;
- **WHEREAS**, individual student numbers or resources make separate gymnastics programs impractical;
- **WHEREAS**, the existing Participating Districts consent to the addition of St. Clair Public Schools as a full member of the cooperative; and
- **NOW, THEREFORE**, the Participating Districts agree to the following terms:

1. Joint MSHSL Application

The governing boards of the Participating Districts shall jointly submit or authorize the official Application for Cooperative Sponsorship, or any required amendment, to the Minnesota State High School League (MSHSL) according to current League timelines and bylaws. St. Clair's participation is contingent upon required board and MSHSL approval.

2. Term and Continuous Duration

This Agreement will encompass the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years. Consistent with MSHSL requirements, it will continue after the initial two-year cycle unless the cooperative is modified or dissolved through the required board and MSHSL processes before the applicable sport season.

3. Team Identity and Hosting

Host School: Waseca Public Schools will manage administrative duties and receive and account for program revenue.

Team Name and Mascot: The cooperative team shall be known as the Waseca Bluejays unless another identity is approved by the Participating Districts and the MSHSL.

Team Colors: Royal blue and gold.

4. Financial Management and Cost Sharing

Administration: The Host School will oversee the operational financial accounts, including coaching salaries and related employer costs, equipment, registration fees, officials, approved transportation, and facility or event expenses.

Billing Formula: At the end of each season, the Host School will calculate the total net operational cost of the program after subtracting gate receipts and participation fees retained for program use. The remaining balance will be billed to each Participating District based on its pro-rata share of registered participants listed on the official first-contest roster. Each student will be counted once for the season.

Payment: The Host School will provide a season-end cost summary. Each Participating District shall pay its invoice within 35 days of receipt.

5. Student Participation Fees and Eligibility

All students, regardless of their primary school district, will be subject to the gymnastics registration fee established by the Host School, including any legally required fee waiver.

Students must satisfy MSHSL requirements and the academic, attendance, behavioral, health, and registration eligibility standards of their respective home districts.

The Host School may apply reasonable team, safety, and conduct expectations uniformly to all cooperative participants.

6. Transportation

Practices: Transportation to and from regular practice venues is the responsibility of participating students and their families unless a district elects to provide transportation at its own expense.

Contests: Transportation to away contests will be coordinated by the Host School and funded through the program's shared operating budget.

7. Dispute Resolution

Any conflict or technical disagreement concerning this Agreement will be referred to the superintendents of the Participating Districts, or their designees, to evaluate, meet, and issue a joint written resolution. Questions controlled by MSHSL rules will be handled through the League's applicable procedures.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Participating Districts execute this Agreement on the dates shown below.

SIGNATURES

**INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 829
WASECA PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

By: _____
School Board Chair

Date: _____

By: _____
School Board Clerk

Date: _____

**INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2835
JANESVILLE-WALDORF-PEMBERTON PUBLIC
SCHOOLS**

By: _____
School Board Chair

Date: _____

By: _____
School Board Clerk

Date: _____

**INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2143
WATERVILLE-ELYSIAN-MORRISTOWN PUBLIC
SCHOOLS**

By: _____
School Board Chair

Date: _____

By: _____
School Board Clerk

Date: _____

**INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 75
ST. CLAIR PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

By: _____
School Board Chair

Date: _____

By: _____
School Board Clerk

Date: _____

**INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2168
NEW
RICHLAND-HARTLAND-ELLENDALÉ-GENEVA
PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

By: _____
School Board Chair

Date: _____

By: _____
School Board Clerk

Date: _____