

## 2025 PASC STATE CONVENTION STUDENT COMMITMENT FORM

#### **Dear Parent or Guardian:**

We are delighted that your son or daughter will be attending the Pennsylvania Association of Student Councils (PASC) State Convention. Because we wish to ensure the safety of your child, as well as other participants, we have developed the following behavioral expectations.

### All delegates are expected to:

- 1. Wear appropriate Convention name badge and/or wristband throughout all Conference activities.
- 2. Attend all Convention sessions at the designated times and places. For the duration of the Convention, delegates cannot deviate from the stated schedule.
- 3. Always display the appropriate mode of attire and behavior that is representative of any Student Council position. Students may dress casually, but appropriately, for all PASC functions. They may not bring controversial clothing to the Convention.
  - Controversial clothing includes: spaghetti strap or strapless tops; tops that show bare midriff; short shorts; crop tops; cut out or frayed clothing; tank tops with extra large arm and neck holes; clothing with ads for alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or with profanity, sexual pictures, or inference to these items. Students wearing prohibited apparel will be asked to change their clothes.

#### Shirts and shoes must be worn at all times.

- Use of electronic devices including cell phones, headphones, and hand-held games is prohibited during any meeting, activity, or General Session.
- Food, drink, noisemakers, or throwing/bouncing any objects are prohibited in General Sessions.
- **4. Respect the rights and safety of others.** Students exhibiting irresponsible behavior that endangers the health, safety, or welfare of themselves or others will be sent home immediately at their expense. Students are expected to demonstrate respect toward other students, advisors/chaperones, presenters, and guests. Therefore, the following behavior will not be allowed: talking during presentations, vulgar dancing, interfering with delegate/staff member's ability to participate, or creating an intimidating, harassing, hostile, or offensive environment.
- **5. Inform an adult if a problem arises.** The safety and well being of all student delegates attending this convention is of utmost importance. For this reason, if at any time during the Convention an incident occurs that makes the student feel threatened, harassed, or intimidated, he or she should tell the Convention host, a Convention staff person, or a PASC Executive Board member.
- 6. Understand that the use of alcohol, tobacco products, or illegal drugs as well as the possession of any type of weapon, play or real, is strictly prohibited. Any student found possessing or under the influence of any illegal drug or alcohol, or possessing a weapon will be expelled from the Convention and sent home immediately and sent home at his/her expense. The Executive Director or designee will notify both the student's Principal and parents of the infraction.
- 7. Abide by the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania that prohibit smoking and use of tobacco products on school property or at school related activities. This includes e-cigarettes and vapes.
- **8. Respect the property of others.** Students are not to take objects from Convention areas or any other property visited. Theft and vandalism will not be tolerated.
- 9. Understand that during the Convention, photos and/or videos will be taken of delegates and those images may be used by PASC.



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### 10. The following are guidelines for behavior at hotels.

- Always be courteous to other guests. There are many others staying at your hotel. It is a very busy Convention, and it is suggested that all students have lights out by 11:15 PM to get enough rest for the next day's activities.
- Students should notify their advisor or any concerns or problems.
- Be sure to know the times you are to be at your bus or van for transportation to and from the school.
- There will be no driving of any motor vehicle by PASC student participants.
- Observe the stated curfews set up for the Convention.
- Do not leave the hotel complex without an advisor/adult.

Your signatures below indicate that you have read and discussed the above guidelines with your student and are in agreement with these expectations. Thank you!

| Parent/Guardian Signature      | Parent/Guardian Name (please print) |
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| Student Signature              | Student Name (please print)         |
| Advisor Signature              | Advisor Name (please print)         |
| Name of School Student Attends | Name of School District             |

Advisors <u>must</u> retain copies of each Student Commitment form, but these forms <u>should not</u> be returned to the 2025PASC State Convention hosts.

The Advisor Commitment Form includes verification that the PASC Student Commitment form has been completed and reviewed by the advisor for all delegates, workshop presenters, and/or PASC Executive Board student members attending the 2025 PASC State Convention.