

Cooper Rodeo Club

By-laws

Article I. Name and Purpose

Section 1. Enriching the lives of Texas student rodeo athletes by preserving our western heritage through rodeo education, promoting family values, and providing future opportunities through assistance in securing college scholarships.

Section 2. To promote safety and conduct educational programs for students planning to participate in rodeo events.

Section 3. To promote a closer relationship among the people interested in this activity and the organizations they represent.

Section 4. To increase and maintain interest of the students in rodeos and other functions of their community.

Section 5. To promote the spirit of high school rodeo through the educational development of sportsmanship, horsemanship, and character in the youth in our country.

Article II. Club Functions

Section 1. The club shall endeavor to support, train and promote student interest in high school rodeo.

Section 2. The club may promote local events, but shall not directly sponsor or conduct rodeo activities.

Section 3. Before the first rodeo promoted or otherwise associated with the club, a mandatory educational program on safety shall be conducted for each club member, including the proper use of protective gear, for children planning to represent the club in rodeo, in accordance with 25 Administrative Code 104.4.

Section 4. The club shall not require members to compete in any specific rodeos or rodeo events.

Section 5. The club shall not be considered an approved extracurricular activity and therefore activities shall not take place during any time that would cause a student to miss class.

Section 5. The club shall not transport students or animals for the purpose of rodeo competition.

Section 6. The club shall not pay rodeo entry fees or travel expenses.

Article III. Club Sponsor

Section 1. The club sponsor shall be a member of the Cooper ISD faculty, appointed annually by the principal, and may serve consecutive terms.

Section 2. The club sponsor shall be responsible for the direct, day-to-day supervision of the club and shall act as a liaison between faculty, administration, students, and the community.

Section 3. The club sponsor shall be responsible for conducting the mandatory educational program on safety, including the proper use of protective gear, for children planning to represent the club in rodeo, in accordance with 25 Administrative Code 104.4.

Section 4. The club sponsor shall maintain files of membership, chapter history, and activities.

Article IV. Principal

Section 1. The principal has the right to approve all activities and decisions of the chapter.

Section 2. The principal shall annually appoint one or more club advisors, who may serve consecutive terms.

Article V. Discipline and Dismissal

Members are subject to dismissal if they do not fulfill club obligations; if their behavior violates the Cooper High School Student Code of Conduct, if they do not maintain the standards of leadership, service, and character. Members who fall below these standards shall be promptly warned in writing by the club sponsor.

Article VI. Club Officers

The club shall have the following officers: president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and student council representative.

Article VII. Requirements

To be eligible to represent the Cooper Rodeo Club, members must:

1. Be students enrolled at Cooper High School.
2. Be in good standing; not ruled undesirable for misconduct at school.
3. Maintain a 70 or above average.
4. Have completed the mandatory educational program on safety, including the proper use of protective gear, in accordance with 25 Administrative Code 104.4.
5. When choosing to participate in bull riding, including engaging in bull riding outside a rodeo for the purpose of practicing bull riding, the student must wear a protective vest and bull riding helmet in accordance with 25 Administrative Code 104.3.