RIT Office of Youth Protection and Compliance

Participant Code of Conduct

To help us provide a fun and stimulating educational experience for youth in a safe and supportive environment, we ask all participants and their parents/guardians adhere to follow the conduct expectations listed below. RIT's Honor Code, <u>Policy P03.0</u>, outlines RIT's Community Expectations in full. If you have any questions or concerns about this content, you may contact the program administrator.

As a participant in this program, I agree to:

- Comply with all RIT policies, including the ones cited in this code of conduct.
- Demonstrate civility, respect, decency and sensitivity towards other participants and staff.
- Behave in a manner that contributes positively to the welfare of the community.
- Join all activities on time and participate fully. If I will be late or will be absent of an activity, I will notify a program administrator.
- Follow staff and guest instructions and raise concerns respectfully.
- Complete assigned individual and group projects on time (if applicable).
- Dress appropriately for in-person programs ad for appearing on video meetings.
- Find a quiet location during virtual program sessions and be aware of my surroundings and background on video.

If I do not meet expectations of the program, I understand there may be consequences, including but not limited to the following:

- Staff will give me a warning regarding behaviors and actions that are not allowed and, in most cases, give me an opportunity to correct the behavior.
- Depending on the behavior, they may also contact my parent or guardian.

I understand the following behaviors may result in being dismissed from the program:

- Cyberbullying, harassing, or using derogatory language towards another person or group of people. This includes sending, posting, or sharing negative, harmful, false, or mean content about others online. This also can include sharing personal or private information about someone else online.
- Sexual discrimination or harassment toward another participant or program staff member.
- Possessing, allowing to be visible on video, or being under the influence of alcohol, tobacco, drugs or weapons.
- Damage or destruction of RIT or other individuals' property.
- Other prohibited behaviors included in RIT policies <u>D.18.0</u>, <u>D.19.0</u>, and <u>C06.0</u>.
- Repeated absences or failure to meet agreed upon program requirements.

As the parent/guardian I will support my child's participation in this program and respect other participants and staff by:

- Making arrangements so my child is available to participate in the program during specified times.
- Allowing time for my child to complete required assignments (if applicable).
- Communicating with staff prior to program start time if my child must be absent.
- Working together with program staff to resolve issues that arise my child.
- Having a conversation with my child about online safety and understanding that program staff are not able to monitor, nor responsible for, what my child does online outside or program activities.
- Not capturing images or video of other participants' names or faces during their participation in the program.

I understand that program staff commit to:

- Comply with <u>RIT's Protection of Minors Policy</u>.
- Respectful and effective communication with all participants and their parents/guardians.
- Helping me have a safe and fun experience.
- Limited direct contact with participants to established times for program activities.
- Include another staff member or a parent/guardian in any direct electronic communication with a participant.
- Not engaging with participants on social media from non-RIT accounts.
- Addressing problems that are brought to their attention.
- Creating an environment where everyone is welcomed and given the opportunity to succeed.

Please sign below acknowledging your understanding of and a commitment to following these expectations during the program.

Participant Name (Printed):	Parent/Guardian Name (Printed):
Signature:	Signature:
Date:	Date: