# **ORA Policy Statements**

#### **Attendance**

All rowers will attend team practices, pre-race dinners and regattas. Coaches may excuse absences in exceptional circumstances. Rowers who miss team practice must notify their coach by phone or email before practice that day to qualify for an excused absence. Three unexcused absences will cause a rower to be removed from the team

## **Eligibility and Conduct**

Orlando Rowing Association follows the OCPS Code of Conduct and Eligibility Requirements. All rowers will promote the proud tradition of Edgewater Crew in their appearance and actions on campus, at practice, on trips and in regattas.

### Alcohol/Drug use

Rowers shall sign and abide by the ORA Alcohol/Drug Use Policy which states "The use, possession or being under the influence of alcoholic beverages, unauthorized drugs, drug paraphernalia or any other substance capable of modifying mood or behavior during crew time (all practices, dinners, races, transit to and from crew events, and any other Edgewater High School Crew sanctioned event) will result in the immediate dismissal from the team for the remainder of the crew season."

#### Insurance

We do not provide primary medical coverage for your rower; \$25,000 excess accidental medical expense coverage is provided. We do provide \$1 million dollars in liability coverage. In order to be covered, your rower must be participating in a supervised rowing activity. In addition, each rower and parent(s) will be required to sign an insurance waiver.

## **Transportation**

Regattas held outside of the Metro Orlando area use bus transportation or automobiles with adult chaperone drivers. Rowers are required to ride team transportation both to and from the regattas. In cases where parents wish to transport their rower after the regatta, a written note must be presented to the Coach or to the adult chaperone assigned to that particular bus.

## **Financial Responsibility**

The financial obligation for the rowing season is determined annually based on the budget planning performed by the Board and is explained in greater detail under the <u>Financial Policy</u> section of this handbook.

Rowers and their families also have the opportunity to earn money for the club through fundraising activities which are explained on the <u>Fundraising</u> section.