**Pinellas County Schools-**

**8TH GRADE VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION FORM – SPRING FOOTBALL 2024**

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Parents Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Middle School Attending: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**High School: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

I am allowing my child to participate in Spring Football practice at the High School they are scheduled to attend in 2024-25, which is allowed **under FHSAA policy 18.2.5.**

I understand that the following rules/policies will be strictly applied regarding 8th graders participating in spring football practices.

* 18.2.5.2 The students may be instructed in practice by high school coaches only if such practice is approved in writing to the FHSAA Office by the district school superintendent or head of school for private schools.
* 18.2.5.4 The students must have catastrophic insurance coverage for such practice.
* 18.2.5.5 The students must have the written permission of their parents or legal guardians to participate in such practice on file in the school office. (This form satisfies that requirement)
* 18.2.5.6 The students must have undergone a physical examination within the last calendar year.
* 18.2.5.7 The students must not suffer any loss of time from school.
* 18.2.5.8 The students may not participate in a spring football jamboree or spring classic game.
* 18.2.5.9 The students may not participate in practice or have physical contact in any manner with student-athlete in the 9th, 10, or 11th grades who are members of the high school team.
* 18.2.6 Participation or non- participation in spring football shall not be used as a prerequisite for participation in football the following school year.

**Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Middle School Principal/Designee Signature:**

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(I understand the student above is participating in High School Spring Football)