

# Florida High School Athletic Association Clearance for Participation Form



Student's OFFICIAL Full Name	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yy)
School Attended the Previous School Year	Current Grade Level
Sport (a separate form MUST be used for each sport)	
To be completed by school official only:	
ELIGIBLE: [ ]YES [ ]No	
REASON NOT ELIGIBLE: [ ] GPA [ ] LIMIT EXPIRED [ ] PROOF	Athletic Office Staff
MISSING FORM (if applicable): [ ] EL4 [ ] EL7/EL7V [	
PHYSICAL ON FILE (EL2 Form)	
Date of Exam	Athletic Office Staff
CONSENT/RELEASE ON FILE (EL3 Form)	Athletic Office Staff
[ ] GA4 (if applicable)	Address Office Street
[ ] STUDENT HAS BEEN ADDED TO	Athletic Office Staff
THE Home Campus DATABASE	Athletic Office Staff



# PINELLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS APPLICATION FOR ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION

Name as it appears on birth certificate			School		School Year	
Street Address		Home phone Date of birth				
City/State/Zip code			Parent work phone Pare		Parent cell ph	one
Gender		Student number				
Date entered ninth grade	Cur	rent grade	Date for	m is submitted	Age on this of	date

Pinellas County School in membership with the Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA) promotes athletics as a vital part of education. In order to participate in athletic activities, students must meet eligibility requirements established by the FHSAA and Pinellas County Schools. Additionally, required documents must be completed and on file with the school administration before a student is permitted to participate in interscholastic athletic practice which includes any and all forms of physical conditioning, both aerobic and anaerobic regardless of whether such conditioning occurs in the preseason, off-season, summer season, or during the period of permissible organized practice.

FHSAA regulations can be found on line at <u>www.fhsaa.org</u>. Pinellas County School athletic regulations are part of the School Board Policy manual and can be found on line at <u>www.pcsb.org</u>. Click on the Departments tab, then click on Athletics.

Please carefully read the following information, attach proof of county required insurance, complete the forms, and provide signatures and notarization where required. Return this form to the Athletic Coordinator.

### FOR SCHOOL USE ONLY

Participation form signed	Birth certificate verified
EL3	Relevant information page signed
Physical complete and signed	Policy on Recruiting
Proof of insurance provided	GPA
Addendum to Participation Form	
EL-7	

#### RELEVANT INFORMATION REGARDING EXTRACURRICULAR ATHLETICS

Students who move during the school year may remain at the current school until the end of that school year. Contact school administration for details.

Participation in extracurricular athletics is voluntary and carries certain inherent risks and possibilities of serious injury and even death. I understand the possible risks, and that medical expenses resulting from injuries incurred during District or school sponsored extracurricular athletics are the responsibility of the parents/guardians of the student(s).

Transportation of students participating in extracurricular athletic competitions, practices and other District or school sponsored athletic events will not always be provided or arranged by schools or the Pinellas County School Board.

I hereby agree to waive, release, discharge, indemnify, and hold the school and the Pinellas County School Board harmless from any and all liability for any injury or illness of the above named student(s) including death, or for claims of any nature which may result from transportation of the student(s) to District or school sponsored extracurricular athletic competitions, practices and other District or school sponsored athletic events that is provided or arranged by the student or their parents or guardians.

I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the School and the Pinellas County School Board from claims of any nature including costs, expenses and fees arising out of or as a result of the participants actions during this voluntary activity.

Each student participating in District sponsored Extracurricular Athletics is required to purchase mandatory student accident insurance from the insurance carrier currently contracted with the Pinellas County School Board. This is not intended as primary insurance. This requirement CANNOT be waived, and the insurance must be purchased before any level of participation can occur. Proof of purchase of the appropriate student accident insurance coverage from the currently contracted insurance carrier must be attached to this form.

Failure to purchase the appropriate student accident insurance policy, or, failure by the Pinellas County School Board to verify that this requirement has been met, does not transfer responsibility for payment of any and all injury related claims and expenses, from the student/parent/guardian to the Pinellas County School Board.

Football players cannot alter, in any way, protective gear. Any alterations must be made with the permission of the head coach and must be within the approved specifications of the equipment manufacturer.

A certified Athletic Trainer will be assigned to each school and will attend all football games and can treat students from any school.

A student who transfers from one school to another during the school year must follow the transfer process, except as otherwise allowed by law. See FHSAA bylaw 9.3 Transfers.

Eligibility requirements are designated by the FHSAA and the Pinellas County School Board adopts such requirements as it's own. It is the student's responsibility to confirm his/her eligibility prior to trying out for a team or investing money in insurance.

# Participation in extracurricular athletics is a privilege and can be suspended or revoked by the school's administration when deemed necessary.

A student who accepts a position as a member of an athletic team shall be considered a member of that team until the team has completed the final competition in which it is eligible to participate, including all playoff games. Any student who leaves the team for any reason prior to the end of the season shall be ineligible to participate in any other sport until the season of the team she/he left has been completed, except as otherwise allowed by law.

An athlete must be in good standing with the team and the school at the completion of the sport season to be eligible for a letter or any other award. The athlete must meet county and the FHSAA requirements in order to receive a letter or award. A student who leaves the team early or does not participate through the end of the season will not be considered in good standing.

Athletes and teams that qualify to advance in the state series playoffs must participate on the next level of competition qualified for or be assessed a fine from the FHSAA. An athlete that fails to participate in a state series playoff after qualifying will be considered "not in good standing" and therefore not qualified to letter or receive awards.

### Relevant information regarding extracurricular athletics.

Students may use the school choice options approved in School Board Policies 5120 - Assignment of Students and 5210.01 - Controlled Open Enrollment to attend a non-zoned school. Once a student is assigned to a non-zoned school the student is eligible to participate in athletics immediately, provided they have not participated in the same sport and the previously attended school in the same year, except as otherwise allowed by law.

Student signature	Parent/guardian signature	Date



#### PINELLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS

#### HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES PARTICIPATION FORM

#### HOME EDUCATED STUDENTS MUST BE ASSIGNED TO A SCHOOL THROUGH THE DISTRICT AND SHOW PROOF OF IMMUNIZATION

\*\*\*\*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\*\*\*

Participation in competitive athletics, including cheerleading, may result in severe injury, including paralysis, or even death. Improvements in equipment, medical treatment and physical conditioning, as well as rule changes, have reduced these risks, but it is impossible to totally eliminate such occurrences from athletics.

Student Information:					1	1
Are you an Administrative		Yes	No Birth Cert	ificate: Yes	No	E OF BIRTH
Residence of Parents or Legal Guardian			,	since	I	ı
Residence (if Different from Parent(s) or Legal Guardian	Street Address		City		Month	Day Ye
Lived at this address since: Name(s) and Relationship of Person other than parent(s) or legal guardia	(s) you live with if	Street Address	, ,	City	1	1
			Name		Month	Day Y
Insurance made available by the insurance. Purchase Insurance may be pu pocket expenses ass accident insurance p	g in voluntary extracurricular athletics of School District. Purchase of a studer of a (non-football) student accident in trohased on-line at <a href="http://www.pcsb.or.">http://www.pcsb.or.</a> cociated with accidents. It is not intendolicy.	nt accident insurance pol surance policy covers all g site shortcuts PE, Athle ed to replace your primar	cy for football covers football and a (non-football) school related sports tics & Extracurricular Activities. No y medical insurance. Any other me	all other sports and activities and activities requiring man- te: This is excess Insurance. dical insurance policy will be	requiring mandatory st datory student acciden It is provided to cover:	udent accident t insurance. some of the out-of-
Mandatory Football Insurance	Date Purchased		Mandatory Student Accident	Insurance	Date Purchased	
I hereby give my consent for the above death may occur. I hereby agree to wa death, or for claims of any nature which	named student to represent his/her so ive, release and discharge the School may result from participating in volun	chool in school sponsore and the Pinellas County tary school sponsored ex	School Board from any and all liabi tracurricular athletics. I agree to in	INJURY, EVEN DEATH and the potential risks and that lity for any injury or illness of demnify and hold harmless th	the above named stud he School and the Pine	ng paralysis, or ev lent (s), including llas County School
Board from claims of any nature includ Circle the sport(s) the student intends t	o play:	ut of or as a result of the	participant's actions during this act	ivity. This permission include	es team travel for local	or out-of-town trips
Baseball Cross Co Basketball Cheerle	•	Soccer Golf	Swimming/Diving Softball	Track Tennis	Volleyball Wrestling	Lacrosse Bowling
	tudent's Signature		School attended last year	nr:		
S	luueni s Signature		ı			
Signat	ture of Parent/Guardian		Home/Work Phone	Date	Relatio	nship to the Student
Sign	ature of Parent/Guardian		/ Home/Work Phone	Date	Relatio	nship to the Student
If only one Parent/Guardian signatur				Dato	Neidilo	p to the oldden
	The FHSAA web site	, www.fhsaa.org , and	your school's Athletic Directo	r can best		

explain student eligibility requirements. If you have any questions about eligibility, please make an appointment with your schools' Athletic Director <a href="https://documents.org/before-completing-this-form-or-trying-out">before-completing-this-form-or-trying-out</a>. Participation in extracurricular athletics and activities is a privilege and can be suspended or revoked by the school administration when deemed necessary.

List schools attended by above named student during:

9th grade: \_

10th grade: \_\_\_\_\_

11th grade:

12th grade:

If you have any questions regarding eligibility, meet with your school's Athletic Director **BEFORE** trying out.

Please read both pages and retain a copy of this form before signing and returning to your school or coach

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Parent(s) and/or Guardian(s) of Prospective Interscholastic Athletics:

Before trying out for an interscholastic sport, a student must be certified as eligible, in accordance with the Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA) rules and the policies of the Pinellas County School Board.

Parent(s) or Guardian(s) must complete the following sections on the reverse side: Certification of Residency, Permission to Participate/Permission for Emergency Medical Treatment, and Certification of Student Accident Insurance. Your student will not be allowed to practice or participate until this form is completed and is on file at the school. After all eligibility requirements have been met, the FHSAA requires a minimum five (5) day waiting period before a student may participate in an athletic contest.

The Pinellas County School Board requires students participating in extracurricular sports and certain designated activities to purchase Mandatory Student Accident Insurance (Pinellas County School Board Policy 8760) regardless of your existing insurance coverage. Information on student accident insurance plans is available on the Pinellas County School Board's website, www.pcsb.org under the site shortcuts PE, Athletics & Extracurricular Activities.

The football insurance plan made available by the Pinellas County School Board must be purchased in order for a student to participate in varsity or junior varsity football.

The first time a student participates in athletics at a school, he/she must submit an original certified copy of his/her birth certificate. The birth certificate will NOT be retained by school personnel. (Photo static or duplicated copies of documents are NOT acceptable in lieu of a birth certificate.)

The following are excerpts of the athletic eligibility rules required by the Florida High School Athletic Association and the School Board of Pinellas County. If further clarification of these rules is required, contact the Assistant Principal for Activities at your school. This form is no longer available in three (3) part carbonless sheets; therefore, it must be duplicated when completed. The school must keep the original and the parent and coach must have a copy.

#### PINELLAS COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD POLICY IN BRIEF

Home Educated students must be assigned through the district office.

Students administratively transferred to another regular school for disciplinary reasons shall be ineligible for athletic participation for a period of the remaining of the school year.

Students returning to any regular school from a successful reassignment/expulsion shall be eligible upon return to the regular school provided the student meets all FHSAA eligibility requirements.

Students ejected from an athletic contest for unsportsmanlike conduct are subject to a fine to be paid by the student/parent/guardian to his/her school. The fine may range from fifty (\$50) to two hundred fifty (\$250), determined by the FHSAA, for gross unsportsmanlike conduct. An athlete who is ejected or disqualified for unsportsmanlike conduct will not participate in or represent the school in any future athletic contests until all fines assessed have been paid to the school.

#### FLORIDA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, INC. REGULATIONS IN BRIEF

Academic Eligibility:

- An incoming 9<sup>th</sup> grade student must have been regularly promoted to be eligible during the first semester.
- Eligibility is based on an unweighted cumulative GPA in all courses taken since first entering the 9th grade.
- Eligibility status is determined at the end of each semester (18 weeks) to determine if a student is eligible or ineligible. This means a student who maintains a cumulative 2.0 grade point average is eligible for an entire semester (18 weeks). If a student does not maintain a cumulative 2.0 grade point average, he/she is ineligible for an entire semester (18 weeks). This applies to 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students.
  PLEASE CONTACT YOUR SCHOOLS' ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL FOR ACTIVITIES OR YOUR SCHOOLS' ATHLETIC COORDINATOR IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS.

A student will be ineligible if they reach the age of 19 years before September 1st.

Students have four consecutive years of high school eligibility from the date they first enter the 9<sup>th</sup> grade. Beginning with students entering grade 9 in 2018-2019, and thereafter, a student who reached 19 on or after September 1<sup>st</sup>, and who has not exceeded his/her four year limit of eligibility, may participate in Interscholastic athletics during that school year.

Physical Evaluation: The annual physical evaluation must be administered either by a licensed physician, a licensed osteopathic physician, a licensed chiropractic physician, a licensed physician assistant, or a certified advanced registered nurse practitioner. A physical evaluation is valid for one year (365 calendar days) from its date. For example, if a physical is on May 1 it is valid through the following April 30.



## **PREPARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION** (Page 1 of 4)

This medical history form should be retained by the healthcare provider and/or parent. This form is valid for 365 calendar days from the date signed below.



## **MEDICAL HISTORY FORM**

**Student Information** (to be completed by student and parent) *print legibly* 

Stude	ent's Full Name:		· ·		Se	x Ássigne	ed at Birth: Age:	Date of Birth	:/_	_/
Home	o Address:		City/Sta		GI	aue III SC	Home Phone: ( )			
Name	e of Parent/Guardian:		City/ Sto		E-m	 ail:	hool: Sport(s): Home Phone: ( )			
Perso	on to Contact in Case of E	mergency:			Relat	ionship t	o Student:			
Emer	gency Contact Cell Phon	e: ()	Wo	rk Phone	e: (	)	Other Phone	: ()		
Famil	y Healthcare Provider: _		C	ity/State	:		Office Phone:	: ()		
List p	ast and current medical	conditions:								
Have	you ever had surgery? If	yes, please list all surgical	procedu	res and d	lates:					
Medi	cines and supplements (	please list all current presc	ription n	nedicatio	ns, ov	er-the-co	unter medicines, and suppler	nents (herbal	and nuti	ritional):
Do yo	ou have any allergies? If y	yes, please list all of your al	lergies (	i.e., medi	cines,	pollens, f	food, insects):			
	nt Health Questionaire was the past two weeks, how	version 4 (PHQ-4) v often have you been both	ered hy i	anv of the	e follo	wina prof	olems? (Circle response)			
		Not at all			al day		Over half of the days	Nearl	y everyda	ay
	ling nervous, anxious, n edge	0			1		2	3		
	being able to stop or trol worrying	0			1		2	3		
	e interest or pleasure oing things	0			1		2	3		
Feel	ling down, depressed, opeless	0			1		2		3	
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Expla	IERAL QUESTIONS ain "Yes" answers at the end e questions if you don't kno		Yes	No		ART HEAL ntinued)	TH QUESTIONS ABOUT YOU		Yes	No
1	Do you have any concerns that your provider?	at you would like to discuss with			8		ctor ever requested a test for your hea electrocardiography (ECG) or echocar			
2	Has a provider ever denied or sports for any reason?	restricted your participation in			9		et light-headed or feel shorter of brea uring exercise?	th than your		
3	Do you have any ongoing me	dical issues or recent illnesses?			10	Have you	ever had a seizure?			
HEART HEALTH QUESTIONS ABOUT YOU			Yes	No	HEA	RT HEAL	TH QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR	FAMILY	Yes	No
4	Have you ever passed out or exercise?	nearly passed out during or after			11	Has any family member or relative died of heart problems or had an unexpected or unexplained sudden death before age 35? (including drowning or unexplained car crash)				
5	Have you ever had discomfort your chest during exercise?	t, pain, tightness, or pressure in			12	as hypert arrhythm	one in your family have a genetic hea rophic cardiomyopathy (HCM), Marfa ogenic right ventricular cardiomyopat	n Syndrome, thy (ARVC),		
6	Does your heart ever race, flu (irregular beats) during exerci	itter in your chest, or skip beats ise?				syndrome	yndrome (LQTS), short QT syndrome ( e, or catecholaminerigc polymorphic v dia (CPVT)?			
7	Has a doctor ever told you that	at you have any heart problems?			13		ne in your family had a pacemaker or tor before age 35?	an implanted		



#### **PREPARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION** (Page 2 of 4)

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Student's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

BON	IE AND JOINT QUESTIONS	Yes	No	MEDICAL QUESTIONS (continued)			No
14	Have you ever had a stress fracture?			26	Do you worry about your weight?		
15	Did you ever injure a bone, muscle, ligament, joint, or tendon that caused you to miss a practice or game?			27	Are you trying to or has anyone recommended that you gain or lose weight?		
16	Do you have a bone, muscle, ligament, or joint injury that currently bothers you?			28	Are you on a special diet or do you avoid certain types of foods or food groups?		
ME	DICAL QUESTIONS	Yes	No	29	Have you ever had an eating disorder?		
17	Do you cough, wheeze, or have difficulty breathing during or after exercise or has a provider ever diagnosed you with asthma?			Exp	lain "Yes" answers here:		
18	Are you missing a kidney, an eye, a testicle, your spleen, or any other organ?						
19	Do you have groin or testicle pain or a painful bulge or hernia in the groin area?						
20	Do you have any recurring skin rashes or rashes that come and go, including herpes or methicillin-resistant staphylococcus aureus (MRSA)?						
21	Have you had a concussion or head injury that caused confusion, a prolonged headache, or memory problems?						
22	Have you ever had numbness, had tingling, had weakness in your arms or legs, or been unable to move your arms or legs after being hit or falling?						
23	Have you ever become ill while exercising in the heat?						
24	Do you or does someone in your family have sickle cell trait or disease?						
25	Have you ever had or do you have any problems with your eyes or vision?						

### This form is not considered valid unless all sections are complete.

Participation in high school sports is not without risk. The student-athlete and parent/guardian acknowledge truthful answers to the above questions allows for a trained clinician to assess the individual student-athlete against risk factors associated with sports-related injuries and death. Florida Statute 1006.20 requires a student candidate for an interscholastic athletic team to successfully complete a preparticipation physical evaluation as the first step of injury prevention. This preparticipation physical evaluation shall be completed each year before participating in interscholastic athletic competition or engaging in any practice, tryout, workout, conditioning, or other physical activity, including activities that occur outside of the school year.

We hereby state, to the best of our knowledge, that our answers to the above questions are complete and correct. In addition to the routine physical evaluation required by Florida Statute 1006.20, and FHSAA Bylaw 9.7, we understand and acknowledge that we are hereby advised that the student should undergo a cardiovascular assessment, which may include such diagnostic tests as electrocardiogram (ECG), echocardiogram (ECHO), and/or cardio stress test. The FHSAA Sports Medicine Advisory Committee strongly recommends a medical evaluation with your healthcare provider for risk factors of sudden cardiac arrest which may include the special tests listed above.

Student-Athlete Name:	(printed) Student-Athlete Signature:	Date:	_/	_/
Parent/Guardian Name:	(printed) Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:	_/	./
Parent/Guardian Name:	(printed) Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:	/	/



## **PREPARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION** (Page 3 of 4)

This medical history form should be retained by the healthcare provider and/or parent.

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### PHYSICAL EXAMINATION FORM

Student's Full Name:			Date of Birth:/_	/ School:	
PHYSICIAN REMINDER Consider additional ques	RS: ctions on more sensitive i	ssues.			
Do you feel stressed out	t or under a lot of pressure?		Do you ever feel sad, I	nopeless, depressed, or anxid	ous?
Do you feel safe at your	home or residence?		During the past 30 day	ys, did you use chewing toba	cco, snuff, or dip?
Do you drink alcohol or	use any other drugs?		<ul> <li>Have you ever taken a supplement?</li> </ul>	nabolic steroids or used any	other performance-enhancing
<ul> <li>Have you ever taken any performance?</li> </ul>	y supplements to help you gain o	or lose weight or improve your			
	of FHSAA EL2 Medical Hi tory/symptom questions				of your assessment.
EXAMINATION					
Height:	Weight:				
BP: / ( /	) Pulse:	Vision: R 20/	L 20/	Corrected: Yes	No
Appearance  • Marfan stigmata (kypho prolapse [MVP], and aou	professional shall initial scoliosis, high-arched palate, pertic insufficiency)		hyperlaxity, myopia, mitral va	NORMAL lve	ABNORMAL FINDINGS
<ul><li>Pupils equal</li><li>Hearing</li></ul>					
Lymph Nodes					
<ul> <li>Murmurs (auscultation s</li> </ul>	standing, auscultation supine, ar	nd Valsalva maneuver)			
Lungs					
Abdomen					
Skin  • Herpes Simplex Virus (H	SV), lesions suggestive of Methi	cillin-Resistant Staphylococcus A	ureus (MRSA), or tinea corpo	ris	
Neurological					
MUSCULOSKELETAL - P	nealthcare professional s	hall initial each assessm	ent	NORMAL	ABNORMAL FINDINGS
Neck					
Back					
Shoulder and Arm					
Elbow and Forearm					
Wrist, Hand, and Fingers					
Hip and Thigh					
Knee					
Leg and Ankle					
Foot and Toes					
Functional  • Double-leg squat test, si	ingle-leg squat test, and box dro	p or step drop test			
	This form is	s not considered valid	unless all sections a	re complete.	
					on thereof. The FHSAA Sports Medicine which may include an electrocardiogram.
Name of Healthcare Prof	essional (print or type): _			Date	of Exam: / /
Address:		Phone: ()	E-mai	l:	
	Professional:				ense #:

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and/or cardio stress test.

## PREPARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION (Page 4 of 4)

SUBMIT THIS MEDICAL ELIGIBILITY FORM TO THE SCHOOL

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## **MEDICAL ELIGIBILITY FORM**

<b>Student Information</b> (to be completed by s		•		5 .	( D: / /	
Student's Full Name:	Si	ex Assigned at Bi	rth: Age: _	Date o	f Birth://_	
School:Home Address:	G	: rade in School: با	Sport(s):			
Name of Parent/Guardian:	City/State	'' nail:	office Friorie. (	/		
Person to Contact in Case of Emergency:	Rela	ationship to Stud	ent:			
Person to Contact in Case of Emergency: Emergency Contact Cell Phone: ()	Work Phone: (	)	Other	Phone: (	)	
Family Healthcare Provider:	City/State:		Office F	Phone: (	_)	
☐ Medically eligible for all sports without restrictio	n					
☐ Medically eligible for all sports without restriction	n with recommendations for furth	er evaluation or tre	eatment of: (use ac	lditional sheet,	if necessary)	
☐ Medically eligible for only certain sports as listed	below:					
☐ Not medically eligible for any sports						
Recommendations: (use additional sheet, if necessary,	ı					
I hereby certify that I have examined the above- the conclusion(s) listed above. A copy of the ex- conditions that arise after the date of this med professional prior to participation in activities.	am has been retained and can lical clearance should be prop	be accessed by erly evaluated, o	the parent as red diagnosed, and to	quested. Any reated by an	injury or other me appropriate healt	edical :hcare
Name of Healthcare Professional (print or type):						
Address:						
Signature of Healthcare Professional:		Credenti	als:	License	#:	
SHARED EMERGENCY INFORMATION - compl	eted at the time of assessmen	t by practitioner	and parent			
Check this box if there is no relevant mediparticipation in competitive sports.	ical history to share related to		Provider Star	np (if require	d by school)	
Medications: (use additional sheet, if necessary)						╛
List:						
Relevant medical history to be reviewed by athle  Allergies Asthma Cardiac/Heart Con Explain:	cussion Diabetes Heat Illr	ness 🗖 Orthoped	dic 🗖 Surgical His			r
Signature of Student:	Date:// Signature o	of Parent/Guardian	n:		Date:/	
We hereby state, to the best of our knowledge the in						

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advised that the student should undergo a cardiovascular assessment, which may include such diagnostic tests as electrocardiogram (ECG), echocardiogram (ECHO),



## PREPARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION (Supplement)

SUBMIT THIS MEDICAL ELIGIBILITY FORM TO THE SCHOOL



This form is valid for 365 calendar days from the date signed below.

This form is only used, or requested, if a student-athlete has been referred for additional evaluation, prior to full medical clearance.

## **MEDICAL ELIGIBILITY FORM - Referred Provider Form**

<b>Student Information</b> (to be completed by st	udent and parent) <i>print</i>	legibly			
Student's Full Name:		_ Sex Assigned at Birth:	Age:	Date of Birth: _	//
School:		_ Grade in School:	_ Sport(s):		
Home Address:	City/State:	Home	Phone: (	_)	
Name of Parent/Guardian:		E-mail:			
Person to Contact in Case of Emergency:	F	Relationship to Student:			
Emergency Contact Cell Phone: () Family Healthcare Provider:	Work Phone: (	()	Other Ph	none: ()	
Family Healthcare Provider:	City/State: _		Office Ph	none: ()	
Referred for:		_ Diagnosis:			
I hereby certify the evaluation and assessment for whic the conclusions documented below:	h this student-athlete was refe	erred has been conducted b	y myself or a cli	inician under my direct	supervision with
☐ Medically eligible for all sports without restriction	as of the date signed below				
☐ Medically eligible for all sports without restriction	n after completion of the follow	ving treatment plan: (use a	dditional sheet,	if necessary)	
☐ Medically eligible for only certain sports as listed	below:				
☐ Not medically eligible for any sports					
Further Recommendations: (use additional sheet, if neo	cessary)				
Name of Healthcare Professional (print or type):				Date:	//
Address:			Ph	ione: ()	
Signature of Healthcare Professional:		Credentials: _		License #:	
Provider Stamp (if required by school)					



Name of Parent/Guardian (printed)

Name of Student (printed)

## Florida High School Athletic Association

# Consent and Release from Liability Certificate (Page 1 of 5)



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School:	School District (if applicable):
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Signature of Parent/Guardian

I HAVE READ THIS CAREFULLY AND KNOW IT CONTAINS A RELEASE (student signature is required)

Signature of Student

Date

Date



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#### **Concussion Information**

Concussion is a brain injury. Concussions, as well as all other head injuries, are serious. They can be caused by a bump, a twist of the head, sudden deceleration or acceleration, a blow or jolt to the head, or by a blow to another part of the body with force transmitted to the head. You cannot see a concussion, and more than 90% of all concussions occur without loss of consciousness. Signs and symptoms of concussion may show up right after the injury or can take hours or days to fully appear. All concussions are potentially serious and, if not managed properly, may result in complications including brain damage and, in rare cases, even death. Even a "ding" or a bump on the head can be serious. If your child reports any symptoms of concussion, or if you notice the symptoms or signs of concussion yourself, your child should be immediately removed from play, evaluated by a medical professional, and cleared by a medical doctor.

#### Signs and Symptoms of a Concussion:

Concussion symptoms may appear immediately after the injury or can take several days to appear. Studies have shown that it takes on average 10-14 days or longer for symptoms to resolve and, in rare cases or if the athlete has sustained multiple concussions, the symptoms can be prolonged. Signs and symptoms of concussion can include: (not all-inclusive)

- · Vacant stare or seeing stars
- · Lack of awareness of surroundings
- Emotions out of proportion to circumstances (inappropriate crying or anger)
- · Headache or persistent headache, nausea, vomiting
- Altered vision
- · Sensitivity to light or noise
- Delayed verbal and motor responses
- Disorientation, slurred, or incoherent speech
- · Dizziness, including light-headedness, vertigo (spinning), or loss of equilibrium (being off-balance or swimming sensation)
- · Decreased coordination, reaction time
- Confusion and inability to focus attention
- Memory loss
- · Sudden change in academic performance or drop in grades
- · Irritability, depression, anxiety, sleep disturbances, easy figitability
- In rare cases, loss of consciousness

#### DANGERS if your child continues to play with a concussion or returns too soon:

Athletes with signs and symptoms of concussion should be removed from activity (play or practice) immediately. Continuing to play with the signs and symptoms of a concussion leaves the young athlete especially vulnerable to sustaining another concussion. Athletes who sustain a second concussion before the symptoms of the first concussion have resolved and the brain has had a chance to heal are at risk for prolonged concussion symptoms, permanent disability and even death (called "Second Impact Syndrome" where the brain swells uncontrollably). There is also evidence that multiple concussions can lead to long-term symptoms, including early dementia.

## Steps to take if you suspect your child has suffered a concussion:

Any athlete suspected of suffering a concussion should be removed from the activity immediately. No athlete may return to activity after an apparent head injury or concussion, regardless of how mild it seems or how quickly symptoms clear, without written medical clearance from an appropriate healthcare professional (AHCP). In Florida, an appropriate healthcare professional (AHCP) is defined as either a licensed physician (MD, as per Chapter 458, Florida Statutes) or a licensed osteopathic physician (DO, as per Chapter 459, Florida Statutes). Close observation of the athlete should continue for several hours. You should also seek medical care and inform your child's coach if you think that your child may have a concussion. Remember, it's better to miss one game than to have your life changed forever. When in doubt, sit them out.

#### Return to play or practice:

Following physician evaluation, the return to activity process requires the athlete to be completely symptom free, after which time they would complete a stepwise protocol under the supervision of a licensed athletic trainer, coach, or medical professional and then, receive written medical clearance from an AHCP.

For current and up-to-date information on concussions, visit http://www.cdc.gov/concussioninyouthsports/ or http://www.seeingstarsfoundation.org

#### Statement of Student-Athlete Responsibility:

Parents and student should be aware of preliminary evidence that suggests repeat concussions, and even hits that do not cause a symptomatic concussion, may lead to abnormal brain changes which can only be seen on an autopsy (known as Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy (CTE). There have been case reports suggesting the development of Parkinson's-like symptoms, Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS), severe traumatic brain injury, depression, and long-term memory issues that may be related to concussion history. Further research on this topic is needed before any conclusions can be drawn.

I acknowledge the annual requirement for my child/ward to view "Concussion in Sports" at www.nfhslearn.com. I accept responsibility for reporting all injuries and illnesses to my parents, team doctor, athletic trainer, or coaches associated with my sport, including any signs and symptoms of concussion. I have read and understand the above information on concussion. I will inform the supervising coach, athletic trainer, or team physician immediately if I experience any of these symptoms or witness a teammate with these symptoms. Furthermore, I have been advised of the dangers or participation for myself and that of my child/ward.

Name of Parent/Guardian (printed)	Signature of Parent/Guardian	Date	
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#### Sudden Cardiac Arrest Information

Sudden cardiac arrest (SCA) is a leading cause of sports-related death. Sudden cardiac arrest (SAC) occurs when the heart suddenly and unexpectedly stops beating. When this happens blood stops flowing to the brain and other vital organs. SCA is NOT a heart attack. A heart attack may cause SCA, but they are not the same. A heart attack is caused by a blockage that stops the flow of blood to the heart. SCA is a malfunction in the heart's electrical system, causing the heart to suddenly stop beating. SCA can cause death if it is not treated within minutes.

#### How common is sudden cardiac arrest in the United States?

There are about 350,000 cardiac arrests that occur outside of hospitals each year. More than 10,000 individuals under the age of 25 die of SCA each year. SCA is the number one killer of student-athletes and the leading cause of death on school campuses.

#### Are there warning signs?

Although SCA happens unexpectedly, some people may have signs or symptoms, such as but not limited to dizziness or light-headedness, fainting, shortness of breath, racing or skipped beats/palpitations, fatigue, weakness, chest pain/pressure or tightness. These symptoms may occur before, during, or after activity. These symptoms can be unclear and confusing in athletes. Some may ignore the signs or think they are normal results of physical exhaustion. If the conditions that cause SCA are diagnosed and treated before a life-threatening event, sudden cardiac death can be prevented in many young athletes.

#### What are the risks or practicing or playing after experiencing these symptoms?

There are significant risks associated with continuing to practice or play after experiencing these symptoms. The symptoms might mean something is wrong and the athlete should be checked before returning to play. When the heart stops due to cardiac arrest, so does the blood that flows to the brain and other vital organs. Death or permanent brain damage can occur in just a few minutes. Most people who experience a SCA die from it; survival rates are below 10%.

# FHSAA Sports Medicine Advisory Committee strongly recommends a medical evaluation with your healthcare provider for risk factors of sudden cardiac arrest, which may include an electrocardiogram.

The FHSAA Sports Medicine Advisory Committee works to help keep student-athletes safe while practicing or playing by providing education about SCA and by notification to parents that you can request, at your expense, an electrocardiogram (EKG or ECG) as part of the annual preparticipation physical examination to possibly uncover hidden heart issues that can lead to SCA.

#### Why do heart conditions that put youth at risk go undetected?

- Publications report up to 90% of underlying heart issues are missed when using only the history and physical exam;
- · Most heart conditions that can lead to SCA are not detectable by listening to the heart with a stethoscope during a routine physical; and
- Often, youth do not report or recognize symptoms of a potential heart condition.

#### What is an electrocardiogram (ECG or EKG)?

An ECG/EKG is a quick, painless, and noninvasive test that measures and records a moment in time of the heart's electrical activity. Small electrode patches are attached to the skin of your chest, arms, and legs by a technician. An ECG/EKG provides information about the structure, function, rate, and rhythm of the heart.

#### Why request an ECG/EKG as part of the annual preparticipation physical examination?

Adding an ECG/EKG to the history and annual preparticipation physical exam can suggest further testing or help identify heart conditions that can lead to SCA. An ECG/EKG can be ordered by your family healthcare provider from screening for cardiovascular disease or for a variety of symptoms such as chest pain, palpitations, dizziness, fainting, or family history of heart disease.

- ECG/EKG screenings should be considered every 1-2 years because young hearts grow and change.
- ECG/EKG screenings may increase sensitivity for detection of undiagnosed cardiac disease but may not prevent SCA.
- ECG/EKG screenings with abnormal findings should be evaluated by trained physicians.
- If the ECG/EKG screening has abnormal findings, additional testing may need to be done (with associated cost and risk) before a diagnosis can be made and may prevent the student from participating in sports for short period of time until the testing is completed, and more specific recommendations can be made.
- The ECG/EKG can have false positive findings, suggesting an abnormality that does not really exist (false positive findings occur less when ECG/EKGs are read by a medical practitioner proficient in ECG/EKG interpretation of children, adolescents, and young athletes).
- ECG/EKGs result in fewer false positives than simply using the current history and physical exam.

The American College of Cardiology/American Heart Association guidelines do not recommend an ECG or EKG in asymptomatic patients but do support local programs in which ECG or EKG can be applied with high-quality resources.

### Removal from play/return to play

Any student-athlete who has signs or symptoms of SCA should be removed from play (which includes all athletic activity). The symptoms can happen before, during, or after activity. Before returning to play, the athlete shall be evaluated and cleared. Clearance to return to play must be in writing. The evaluation shall be performed by a licensed physician, certified registered nurse practitioner, or cardiologist (heart doctor). The licensed physician or certified registered nurse practitioner may consult any other licensed or certified medical professionals.

By signing this agreement, I acknowledge the annual requirement for my child/ward to view the "Sudden Cardiac Arrest" course at www.nghslearn.com. I acknowledge that the information on Sudden Cardiac Arrest has been read and understood. I have been advised of the dangers of participation for myself and that of my child/ward.

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### **Heat-Related Illness Information**

Heat-related illness is a cause for concern for student-athletes who participate in high school sports in Florida. Especially vulnerable are those students who participate in conditioning and practices in the summer months and other times of extreme heat. Student-athletes suffer heat-related illness when their bodies cannot properly cool themselves by sweating. Sweating is the body's natural air conditioning, but when a person's body temperature rises rapidly, sweating just is not enough. Heat-related illnesses can be serious and life-threatening. Very high body temperatures may damage the brain or other vital organs and can cause disability and even death. Heat-related illnesses and deaths are preventable.

#### What are some common heat-related injuries in sports?

Exertional Heat Stroke (EHS): EHS is the most serious heat-related illness. EHS is a medical emergency. It happens when the body's temperature rises quickly, and the body cannot cool down. Student-athletes can die or become permanently disabled from EHS if not properly recognized and managed. EHS is one of the leading causes of death in young athletes, especially in Florida. The two main criteria for diagnosing EHS are rectal temperature >105F (40.5C) immediately post collapse and central nervous system (CNS) dysfunction. There are many signs and symptoms associated with EHS. Parents and student-athletes should familiarize themselves with these by viewing the free video resources provided by the National Federation of High School Sports (NFHS) or the FHSAA.

- . EHS is preventable by taking the proper precautions and understanding the symptoms of someone who has become ill due to heat.
- EHS is survivable when quick action is taken by staff members that includes early recognition of symptoms and aggressive cold-water immersion.

**Heat Exhaustion (EHI):** Heat exhaustion is the most common heat-related condition observed in active populations including student-athletes. EHI is a type of heat-related illness. EHI is defined as the inability to continue exercise in the heat because the heart has difficulty providing enough oxygenated blood to all the working organs and muscles. It usually develops after several days practicing or conditioning in high temperature weather and not drinking enough fluids.

Heat Cramps: Heat cramps are painful, involuntary cramping often in the legs, arms, or abdomen with muscle contraction. Cramping usually occurs in the preseason conditioning phase when the body is not properly conditioned and more subject to fatigue. Heat cramps can easily be treated with rest, stretching of the muscle, and replacement of fluid and electrolytes. The exact mechanism of muscle cramps in warm environmental conditions is unknown but can be caused acutely by extensive dehydration and sodium losses or chronically via inadequate electrolytes in the athlete's diet. Although heat cramps are not a cause of sudden death, it can be confused with the more serious condition, exertional sickling.

#### Is my student at risk?

Yes, all student-athletes are vulnerable to exertional heat stroke and other heat-related injuries. While every student-athlete can succumb to EHS, newer data is reporting a high incidence of exertional heat stroke cases in football players, especially those who play the lineman position and in very lean distance runners. Research also states many reports of EHS emergencies are during summertime or preseason conditioning sessions. Other conditions that can increase your risk for heat-related illness include obesity, fever, dehydration, poor circulation, sunburn, and prescription drug or alcohol use.

#### What is the FHSAA doing to keep my student safe?

The FHSAA has published Policy 41, titled "Exertional Heat Illness". This policy provides specific procedures for schools to educate student-athletes and parents on EHI as well as strategies to prevent these injuries. FHSAA Policy 41 also provides procedures for schools to follow for preseason acclimatization, environmental monitoring, and the inclusion of cooling zones for the management of a student-athlete suffering from a heat injury.

#### How can I help to keep my student safe when it comes to the heat?

- Learn more about heat-related injuries in sports at https://www.nfhs.org/media/1015695/ksi-5-pillars-of-exertional-heat-stroke-prevention-2015.pdf
- Discuss nutrition, proper hydration, body weight, and the importance of sleep and rest with your family healthcare provider at the time fo the sports physical
- Talk to your school and coach about safeguards they have in place to keep kids safe in the heat and what they will do for someone who becomes ill or injured
- · Monitor fluid intake of your student while at home and routinely check in with your student-athlete to inquire about how they feel
- · Report any concerns with your school's athletic trainer, team physician, coach, or your family healthcare provider

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# Attention Student and Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

Your school is a member of the Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA) and follows established rules. To be eligible to represent your school in interscholastic athletics, in an FHSAA recognized and/or sanctioned sport, the student:

- Must complete an EL3 for each school at which the student participates; this form is non-transferable.
- 2. Must display good sportsmanship and follow the rules of competition **before**, **during**, **and after** every contest in which the student participates. If not, the student may be suspended from participation for a period of time. (FHSAA Bylaw 7.1)
- 3. Must not provide false information to his/her school or to the FHSAA to gain eligibility. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.1.1.2)
- 4. Must be regularly enrolled in and in regular attendance at your school. If the student is a home education student, a charter school student, an alternative/special school student, a non-member private school student, or a Florida Virtual School Full-Time Public Program student, the student must declare in writing his/her intent to participate in athletics to the school at the student is permitted to participate. Home Education students and students attending a non-member private school must complete additional paperwork prior to participating. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.2, FHSAA Policy 16.6, and Administrative Procedure 1.8)
- 5. Must attend school within the **first ten (10) days** of the beginning of each semester to be eligible during that semester. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.2.3)
- 6. Must maintain at least a **cumulative 2.0 GPA** on a 4.0 scale (unweighted) prior to the semester in which the student wishes to participate. This GPA must include all courses taken since the student entered 9th grade. A 6th, 7th, or 8th grade student must have earned at least a 2.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale (unweighted) during the previous semester. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.4.1 and F.S. 1006.15(3)a)
- 7. Must not have graduated from any high school or its equivalent. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.4.7)
- 8. Must not have enrolled in the 9th grade for the first time more than **eight consecutive semesters** ago. A 6th, 7th, or 8th grade student may not participate at any level if the student is **repeating** that grade level. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.5)
- 9. Must not turn **19 before July 1st** to participate at the high school level; must not turn **16 before July 1st** to participate at the junior high school level; and must not turn **15 before July 1st** to participate at the middle school level, otherwise the student becomes permanently ineligible. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.6)
- 10. Must undergo a **preparticipation physical evaluation** and be certified as being physically fit for participation in interscholastic athletics on a form (EL2) provided to the school. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.7 and F.S. 1002.20(17)b)
- 11. Must have **signed permission** to participate from the student's parent(s)/guardian(s) on a form (EL3) provided to the school. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.8)
- 12. Must be an **amateur**. This means the student must not accept money, gifts, or donations for participating in a sport, or use a name other than his/her own when participating. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.9)
- 13. Must not participate in an **all-star contest** in a sport prior to exhausting his/her high school eligibility in that sport. (FHSAA Policy 26)
- 14. Youth Exchange, Other International, and Immigrant students must be **approved** by the FHSAA Office prior to participation. Exceptions may apply. (FHSAA Policy 17)
- 15. Must refrain from **hazing/bullying** while a member of an athletic team or while participating in any athletic activities sponsored by or affiliated with a member school.

If the student is declared or ruled ineligible due to one or more of the FHSAA rules and regulations, the student has the right to request that the school file an appeal on behalf of the student. See the principal or athletic director for information regarding this process.

By signing this agreement, the undersigned acknowledge that the information on the Consent and Release from Liability Certificate in regard to the FHSAA's established rules and eligibility have been read and understood.

Name of Parent/Guardian (printed)	Signature of Parent/Guardian	Date	
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#### ADDENDUM TO HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES PARTICIPATION FORM

This Addendum to the High School Activities Participation Form provides additional acknowledgements and releases required by the Florida High School Athletic Association ("FHSAA") and must be fully executed In conjunction with the High School Activities Participation Form (PCS form 4-1891-A).

### Student Acknowledgement and Release (to be signed by student)

I know the risk involved in athletic participation, understand that serious injury, and even death, is possible In such participation, and choose to accept such risk. I voluntarily accept any and all responsibility for my own safety and welfare while participating In athletics, with full understanding of the risk involved. Should I be 18 years of age or older, or should I be emancipated from my parent(s)/ guardian(s), I hereby release and hold harmless any school, the schools against which It competes, the school district, the school district (sic), the contest officials and FHSAA of any and all responsibility and liability for any injury or claim resulting from such athletic participation and agree to take no legal action against the FHSAA because of any accident or mishap involving my athletic participation. I hereby authorize the use or disclosure of my individual Identifiable health information should treatment for illness or injury become necessary. I hereby grant to the FHSAA the right to review all records relevant to my athletic eligibility including, but not limited to, my records relating to enrollment and attendance, academic standing, age, discipline, finances, residence and physical fitness. I hereby grant the released parties the right to photograph and/or videotape me and further use my name, face, likeness, void and appearance in connection with exhibitions, publicity, advertising, promotion, and commercial material without reservation or limitation. The released parties, however, are under no obligation to exercise said rights herein. I understand that the authorization and rights granted herein are voluntary, and that I may revoke any and all of them at any time by submitting said revocation in writing to my school. By doing so, however, I understand that I will no longer be eligible for participation in interscholastic athletics.

# Parent/Guardian Consent, Acknowledgement and Release (to be completed and signed by all parents/guardians; where divorced or separated, parent/guardian with legal custody must sign)

I, we understand that participation may necessitate an early dismissal from classes. I/we know of, and acknowledge that my child/ward knows of the risk involved in interscholastic athletic participation, understand that serious injury and even death is possible in such participation and choose to accept any and all responsibility for his/her safety and welfare while participating In athletics. With full understanding of the risks involved, I/we release and hold harmless my child's/ward's school, the schools against which it competes, the contest officials and FHSAA of any and all responsibility and liability for any injury or claim resulting from such athletic participation and agree to take no legal action against the FHSAA because of any accident or mishap involving the athletic participation of my child/ward. I authorize emergency medical treatment for my child/ward should the need arise for such treatment while my child/ward is under the supervision of the school. I/we further hereby authorize the use or disclosure of my child's/ward's individual identifiable health information should treatment for illness or injury become necessary. I/we consent to the disclosure by my child's/ward's school, to the FHSAA upon its request, of all records relevant to his/her athletic eligibility including, but not limited to, his/her records relating to enrollment and attendance, academic standing, age, discipline, finances, residence and physical fitness. I/we grant the released parties the right to photograph and/or videotape my child/ward and further use said child's/ward's name, face, likeness, voice and appearance In connection with exhibitions, publicity, advertising, promotion and commercial material without reservation or limitation. The released parties, however, are under no obligation to exercise said rights herein. I/we understand the authorization and rights granted herein are voluntary and that I/we may revoke any or all of them at any time by submitting said revocation writing to my school. By doing so, however, I/we understand that my/our child/ward will no longer be eligible for participation in Interscholastic athletics.

#### I/WE HAVE READ THIS CAREFULLY AND KNOW IT CONTAINS A RELEASE.

Signature of Student	Signature of Parent
Print Student's Name	Print Parent's Name
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