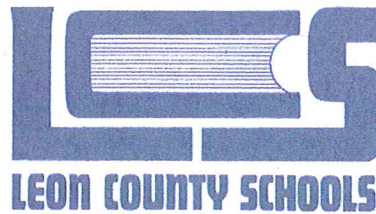


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Information for High School Charter Schools in Leon County: The listed requirements below will be used to determine the eligibility status of charter school students requesting athletic eligibility at their home zoned school.

1. All charter school students MUST comply with all FHSAA by-Laws and guidelines as defined in by-Law 9.2.2.2 and Policy # 16.5 (attached)
2. The eligibility packet, to include, all requested information must be reviewed and approved by the Leon County district-wide athletic director before athletic eligibility is granted. The requirements are described below:
 - a. Official transcripts must be presented with request.
 - b. Official attendance records must be presented with request (previous year or semester)
 - c. An official birth certificate /record must be presented with request (proof of age)
 - d. All students have a limit of athletic eligibility (4 years from the day entered into the 9th grade)
 - e. Physical Evaluation - FHSAA EL-2 form (attached)
 - f. Consent & Release - FHSAA EL-3 form (attached)
 - g. Leon County Schools - Application for Athletic Participation (attached)
 - h. Non-Recruit Form – FHSAA GA-4 form (if applicable)
 - i. Affidavit of Compliance with Policy on Non-School Teams and Off-Season Participation - FHSAA GA-6 form (if applicable)
 - j. The packet may be submitted to the LCS Charter School Office for convenience

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(b) the cooperative pays membership dues and other such fees as established by the FHSAA Board of Directors under the authority of these Bylaws;

(c) each participating student has basic medical insurance coverage and has catastrophic insurance coverage provided by the cooperative or independently secured;

(d) the cooperative purchases and maintains liability insurance coverage which names the FHSAA as an insured party;

(e) the FHSAA representative at the conclusion of each semester certifies to the Executive Director on a form to be provided by the FHSAA Office that each student participating in interscholastic athletics in the cooperative meets the minimum grade point average standards which are required of all students; and

(f) each student participating in interscholastic athletic competition must comply with FHSAA eligibility requirements regarding age and limits of eligibility.

16.4.3.2 Ineligibility. A student who is attending a school and transfers to a home education cooperative shall be ineligible to represent that cooperative in interscholastic athletic competition for the duration of that school year unless the student meets one of the exceptions in Bylaw 9.3.2. A student who is representing a member school as home education student and transfers to a home education cooperative shall be ineligible to represent that cooperative in interscholastic athletic competition for the duration of that school year unless the student meets one of the exceptions in Bylaw 9.3.2. A student who withdraws from a regular school program to enroll in a home education cooperative and who is ineligible at the time of withdrawal from the regular school program due to his/her failure to meet academic or behavioral eligibility standards shall be ineligible to compete in interscholastic athletic competition as a member of the home education cooperative until he/she has successfully completed one full semester (see Bylaw 1.4.14) and has met all other eligibility requirements of this association. In determining the academic eligibility of a student who withdraws from a regular school program prior to the normal conclusion of the current semester and subsequently enrolls in a home education program, the grades as posted in each subject for that student on the date of his/her withdrawal from the regular school program shall be used.

16.4.3.3 Athletic Competition. Home education cooperatives which become members of this Association may participate in interscholastic athletic competition against any other FHSAA member school; however, such cooperatives shall not be permitted to compete against nonmember schools or nonmember cooperatives. Home education cooperatives shall be classified for State Series competition based on the total number of students participating in the cooperative in grades 9 through 12.

16.5 Charter Schools.

16.5.1 Charter School Student Participation at Member Public Schools.

16.5.1.1 Requirements for Participation. A student attending a charter school that does not sponsor an interscholastic athletic program in a sport(s) in which the student desires to participate is eligible to participate at the public school to which the student would be assigned according to district school attendance area policies; or the public school to which the student could choose to attend pursuant to district or inter-district controlled open enrollment provisions (the student must meet the same standards as any other student requesting assignment through the controlled open enrollment provisions, must submit an EL14 Form - Verification of Student Choice Options with Public School District School of Choice Office), provided:

(a) the student meets the requirements of the charter school program;

(b) the student demonstrates educational progress as required by s.1006.15;

(c) the student meets the same residency requirements as other students in the school at which he/she participates;

(d) the student meets the same standards of acceptance, behavior and performance that are required of other students participating in interscholastic athletics; and

(e) the student registers with the school his/her intent to participate in interscholastic athletic competition as a representative of the school, utilizing the official Association process as approved by the Executive Director (see Policy 16.7.2), prior to the Monday of the first week of regular season competition for the sport(s) in which he/she wishes to participate;

(f) the student complies with all FHSAA regulations, including eligibility requirements regarding age and limits of eligibility, and local school regulations during the time of participation;

(g) the student provides proof of basic medical insurance coverage and both independently secured catastrophic insurance coverage and liability insurance coverage which names the FHSAA as an insured party in the event the school's insurance provider does not extend coverage to students attending a charter school;

(h) the student provides his/her own transportation to and from the public school; and

(i) the student provides to public school authorities all required forms and provisions.

16.5.1.2 Ineligibility. A student who withdraws from a regular school program to establish school residence in a charter school that is not a member of this Association and who is ineligible at the time of withdrawal from the regular school program due to his/her failure to meet academic or behavioral eligibility standards shall be ineligible to compete in interscholastic athletic competition as a charter school student until he/she has successfully completed one full semester (see Bylaw 1.4.14) in the charter school program and has met all other eligibility requirements of this association. In determining the academic eligibility of a student who withdraws from a regular school

must: (s.1006.15(3)(c)1-7, Florida Statutes)

- (a) register as a home education student with the district school superintendent of the county in which he/she resides; and
- (b) register with the school of his/her intent to participate before the beginning date of the season in the sport in which he/she wants to participate; and
- (c) meet the same standards of acceptance, behavior and performance as the school requires of other participating students; and
- (d) certify to the school at the end of each semester that he/she has the minimum cumulative grade point average required for participation; and
- (e) meet all other FHSAA eligibility requirements; and
- (f) must be approved by the FHSAA Office each year using a form provided by the Association.

9.2.2.2 Charter School Student. A student who attends a charter school that does not sponsor an interscholastic athletic program in one or more sports may participate in that sport or sports not sponsored by the charter school at either of the following schools:

- (a) The public school that student normally would attend; or
- (b) The public school the student could attend according to controlled open enrollment provisions.

9.2.2.2.1 Charter School Student Requirements. To participate in interscholastic athletics, a charter school student must: (s.1006.15(3)(d)1-7, Florida Statutes)

- (a) meet the requirements of the charter school education program as determined by the charter school governing board; and
- (b) meet the minimum grade point average standards that are required of all students; and
- (c) meet the same residency requirement as other students in the school at which he/she participates; and
- (d) meet the same standards of acceptance, behavior and performance that are required of other students in interscholastic athletics; and
- (e) register with the school his/her intent to participate in interscholastic athletics as a representative of the school before the beginning date of the season for the sport in which he/she wishes to participate; and
- (f) meet all other FHSAA eligibility requirements (no form is required).

9.2.2.3 Students in Dual Enrollment and Early Admission Programs. A student who attends a dual enrollment or early admission program operated by a community college or university may participate at the school the student would normally attend if:

- (a) The school awards credit toward graduation for the work the student completes at the community college or university; and
- (b) The community college or university officially issues grades on the same schedule as the school's semester; and
- (c) The student has not met the graduation requirements as specified by the school's or school district's student progression plan for high school graduation; and
- (d) The student does not participate in the intercollegiate athletic programs of the community college or university; and
- (e) The student meets all other FHSAA eligibility requirements (no form or letter is required).

9.2.2.4 Students in Alternative or Special Schools. A student who attends an alternative, school for other special school operated by a school district may participate at the school he/she would normally attend according to the school district attendance policy, provided the alternative or special school does not sponsor an interscholastic athletic program and the superintendent or district athletic director has notified this Association which schools qualify to allow students to participate under this bylaw. The student must meet all other FHSAA eligibility requirements.

9.2.2.5 Participation in Summer Athletic Activities by Students Changing Schools or Entering a Member School or Combination School for the First Time. A student may participate in athletic activities sponsored by or affiliated with a school during the summer period immediately preceding attendance in that school if the student has been assigned to or accepted by the school and no longer attends his/her previous school. The student will be considered to have established residence in that school and will not be eligible to participate in athletic activities sponsored by or affiliated with a school or competition at any other member school during that school year. A student who is assigned to and/or accepted by more than one school will be considered to have established residence in the school he/she first attends or participates in summer athletic activities prior to attendance, whichever comes first.

9.2.2.6 Middle School Students Attending Non-member Public Schools. A student in grades 6 through 8 who attends a public school that is not a member of this Association and has no athletic program or low student population may represent a member public school that is part of the same school district in interscholastic competition, provided such participation is at the junior high or middle school level.

9.2.3 Attendance Within First 10 Days of Semester Required. A student must attend all classes within the first 10 school days of a semester. Otherwise, the student will not be eligible until:

- (a) The student has made up all classwork missed during his/her absence; and





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Part 1. Student Information (to be completed by student or parent)

Student's Name: _____ Sex: _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____
 School: _____ Grade in School: _____ Sport(s): _____
 Home Address: _____ Home Phone: (____) _____
 Name of Parent/Guardian: _____ E-mail: _____
 Person to Contact in Case of Emergency: _____
 Relationship to Student: _____ Home Phone: (____) _____ Work Phone: (____) _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____
 Personal/Family Physician: _____ City/State: _____ Office Phone: (____) _____

Part 2. Medical History (to be completed by student or parent). Explain "yes" answers below. Circle questions you don't know answers to.

	Yes	No		Yes	No
1. Have you had a medical illness or injury since your last check up or sports physical?	_____	_____	26. Have you ever become ill from exercising in the heat?	_____	_____
2. Do you have an ongoing chronic illness?	_____	_____	27. Do you cough, wheeze or have trouble breathing during or after activity?	_____	_____
3. Have you ever been hospitalized overnight?	_____	_____	28. Do you have asthma?	_____	_____
4. Have you ever had surgery?	_____	_____	29. Do you have seasonal allergies that require medical treatment?	_____	_____
5. Are you currently taking any prescription or non-prescription (over-the-counter) medications or pills or using an inhaler?	_____	_____	30. Do you use any special protective or corrective equipment or medical devices that aren't usually used for your sport or position (for example, knee brace, special neck roll, foot orthotics, shunt, retainer on your teeth or hearing aid)?	_____	_____
6. Have you ever taken any supplements or vitamins to help you gain or lose weight or improve your performance?	_____	_____	31. Have you had any problems with your eyes or vision?	_____	_____
7. Do you have any allergies (for example, pollen, latex, medicine, food or stinging insects)?	_____	_____	32. Do you wear glasses, contacts or protective eyewear?	_____	_____
8. Have you ever had a rash or hives develop during or after exercise?	_____	_____	33. Have you ever had a sprain, strain or swelling after injury?	_____	_____
9. Have you ever passed out during or after exercise?	_____	_____	34. Have you broken or fractured any bones or dislocated any joints?	_____	_____
10. Have you ever been dizzy during or after exercise?	_____	_____	35. Have you had any other problems with pain or swelling in muscles, tendons, bones or joints?	_____	_____
11. Have you ever had chest pain during or after exercise?	_____	_____	<i>If yes, check appropriate blank and explain below:</i>		
12. Do you get tired more quickly than your friends do during exercise?	_____	_____	_____ Head	_____ Elbow	_____ Hip
13. Have you ever had racing of your heart or skipped heartbeats?	_____	_____	_____ Neck	_____ Forearm	_____ Thigh
14. Have you had high blood pressure or high cholesterol?	_____	_____	_____ Back	_____ Wrist	_____ Knee
15. Have you ever been told you have a heart murmur?	_____	_____	_____ Chest	_____ Hand	_____ Shin/Calf
16. Has any family member or relative died of heart problems or sudden death before age 50?	_____	_____	_____ Shoulder	_____ Finger	_____ Ankle
17. Have you had a severe viral infection (for example, myocarditis or mononucleosis) within the last month?	_____	_____	_____ Upper Arm	_____ Foot	
18. Has a physician ever denied or restricted your participation in sports for any heart problems?	_____	_____	36. Do you want to weigh more or less than you do now?	_____	_____
19. Do you have any current skin problems (for example, itching, rashes, acne, warts, fungus, blisters or pressure sores)?	_____	_____	37. Do you lose weight regularly to meet weight requirements for your sport?	_____	_____
20. Have you ever had a head injury or concussion?	_____	_____	38. Do you feel stressed out?	_____	_____
21. Have you ever been knocked out, become unconscious or lost your memory?	_____	_____	39. Have you ever been diagnosed with sickle cell anemia?	_____	_____
22. Have you ever had a seizure?	_____	_____	40. Have you ever been diagnosed with having the sickle cell trait?	_____	_____
23. Do you have frequent or severe headaches?	_____	_____	41. Record the dates of your most recent immunizations (shots) for:		
24. Have you ever had numbness or tingling in your arms, hands, legs or feet?	_____	_____	Tetanus: _____ Measles: _____		
25. Have you ever had a stinger, burner or pinched nerve?	_____	_____	Hepatitis B: _____ Chickenpox: _____		
FEMALES ONLY (optional)					
			42. When was your first menstrual period?	_____	
			43. When was your most recent menstrual period?	_____	
			44. How much time do you usually have from the start of one period to the start of another?	_____	
			45. How many periods have you had in the last year?	_____	
			46. What was the longest time between periods in the last year?	_____	

Explain "Yes" answers here: _____

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 medical evaluation required by s.1006.20, Florida Statutes, 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 (EKG), echocardiogram (ECG) and/or cardio stress test.

Signature of Student: _____ Date: ____/____/____ Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: ____/____/____



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Part 3. Physical Examination (to be completed by licensed physician, licensed osteopathic physician, licensed chiropractic physician, licensed physician assistant or certified advanced registered nurse practitioner).

Student's Name: _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____
 Height: _____ Weight: _____ % Body Fat (optional): _____ Pulse: _____ Blood Pressure: ____/____ (____/____, ____/____)
 Temperature: _____ Hearing: right: P ____ F ____ left: P ____ F ____
 Visual Acuity: Right 20/____ Left 20/____ Corrected: Yes No Pupils: Equal _____ Unequal _____

FINDINGS	NORMAL	ABNORMAL FINDINGS	INITIALS*
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MEDICAL

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|---------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1. Appearance | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 2. Eyes/Ears/Nose/Throat | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 3. Lymph Nodes | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 4. Heart | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 5. Pulses | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 6. Lungs | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 7. Abdomen | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 8. Genitalia (males only) | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 9. Skin | _____ | _____ | _____ |

MUSCULOSKELETAL

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|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| 10. Neck | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 11. Back | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 12. Shoulder/Arm | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 13. Elbow/Forearm | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 14. Wrist/Hand | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 15. Hip/Thigh | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 16. Knee | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 17. Leg/Ankle | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 18. Foot | _____ | _____ | _____ |

* - station-based examination only

ASSESSMENT OF EXAMINING PHYSICIAN/PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT/NURSE PRACTITIONER

I hereby certify that each examination listed above was performed by myself or an individual under my direct supervision with the following conclusion(s):

____ Cleared without limitation

____ Disability: _____ Diagnosis: _____

____ Precautions: _____

____ Not cleared for: _____ Reason: _____

____ Cleared after completing evaluation/rehabilitation for: _____

____ Referred to _____ For: _____

Recommendations: _____

Name of Physician/Physician Assistant/Nurse Practitioner (print): _____ Date: ____/____/____

Address: _____

Signature of Physician/Physician Assistant/Nurse Practitioner: _____



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Student's Name: _____

ASSESSMENT OF PHYSICIAN TO WHOM REFERRED (if applicable)

I hereby certify that the examination(s) for which referred was/were performed by myself or an individual under my direct supervision with the following conclusion(s):

☐ Cleared without limitation

☐ Disability: _____ Diagnosis: _____

☐ Precautions: _____

☐ Not cleared for: _____ Reason: _____

☐ Cleared after completing evaluation/rehabilitation for: _____

Recommendations: _____

Name of Physician (print): _____ Date: ____/____/____

Address: _____

Signature of Physician: _____

Based on recommendations developed by the American Academy of Family Physicians, American Academy of Pediatrics, American Medical Society for Sports Medicine, American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine and American Osteopathic Academy for Sports Medicine.



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School: _____ School District (if applicable): _____

Part 1. Student Acknowledgement and Release (to be signed by student at the bottom)

I have read the (condensed) FHSAA Eligibility Rules printed on Page 4 of this "Consent and Release Certificate" and know of no reason why I am not eligible to represent my school in interscholastic athletic competition. If accepted as a representative, I agree to follow the rules of my school and FHSAA and to abide by their decisions. I know that athletic participation is a privilege. I know of the risks involved in athletic participation, understand that serious injury, including the potential for a concussion, and even death, is possible in such participation, and choose to accept such risks. I voluntarily accept any and all responsibility for my own safety and welfare while participating in athletics, with full understanding of the risks 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 my school, the schools against which it competes, the school district, 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 FHSAA because of any accident or mishap involving my athletic participation. I hereby authorize the use or disclosure of my individually identifiable health information should treatment for illness or injury become necessary. I hereby grant to 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 to use my name, face, likeness, voice and appearance in connection with exhibitions, publicity, advertising, promotional and commercial materials without reservation or limitation. The released parties, however, are under no obligation to exercise said rights herein. I understand that the authorizations and rights granted herein are voluntary and that I may revoke any or 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.

Part 2. Parental/Guardian Consent, Acknowledgement and Release (to be completed and signed by a parent(s)/guardian(s) at the bottom; where divorced or separated, parent/guardian with legal custody must sign.)

A. I hereby give consent for my child/ward to participate in any FHSAA recognized or sanctioned sport **EXCEPT** for the following sport(s): _____

List sport(s) exceptions here

- B. I understand that participation may necessitate an early dismissal from classes.
C. I know of, and acknowledge that my child/ward knows of, the risks 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 release and hold harmless my child's/ward's school, the schools against which it competes, the school district, 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 further hereby authorize the use or disclosure of my child's/ward's individually identifiable health information should treatment for illness or injury become necessary. I consent to the disclosure to the FHSAA, upon its request, of all records relevant to my child/ward's athletic eligibility including, but not limited to, records relating to enrollment and attendance, academic standing, age, discipline, finances, residence and physical fitness. I grant the released parties the right to photograph and/or videotape my child/ward and further to use said child's/ward's name, face, likeness, voice and appearance in connection with exhibitions, publicity, advertising, promotional and commercial materials without reservation or limitation. The released parties, however, are under no obligation to exercise said rights herein.
D. I am aware of the potential danger of concussions and/or head and neck injuries in interscholastic athletics. I also have knowledge about the risk of continuing to participate once such an injury is sustained without proper medical clearance.

READ THIS FORM COMPLETELY AND CAREFULLY. YOU ARE AGREEING TO LET YOUR MINOR CHILD ENGAGE IN A POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS ACTIVITY. YOU ARE AGREEING THAT, EVEN IF MY CHILD'S/WARD'S SCHOOL, THE SCHOOLS AGAINST WHICH IT COMPETES, THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, THE CONTEST OFFICIALS AND FHSAA USES REASONABLE CARE IN PROVIDING THIS ACTIVITY, THERE IS A CHANCE YOUR CHILD MAY BE SERIOUSLY INJURED OR KILLED BY PARTICIPATING IN THIS ACTIVITY BECAUSE THERE ARE CERTAIN DANGERS INHERENT IN THE ACTIVITY WHICH CANNOT BE AVOIDED OR ELIMINATED. BY SIGNING THIS FORM YOU ARE GIVING UP YOUR CHILD'S RIGHT AND YOUR RIGHT TO RECOVER FROM MY CHILD'S/WARD'S SCHOOL, THE SCHOOLS AGAINST WHICH IT COMPETES, THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, THE CONTEST OFFICIALS AND FHSAA IN A LAWSUIT FOR ANY PERSONAL INJURY, INCLUDING DEATH, TO YOUR CHILD OR ANY PROPERTY DAMAGE THAT RESULTS FROM THE RISKS THAT ARE A NATURAL PART OF THE ACTIVITY. YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REFUSE TO SIGN THIS FORM, AND MY CHILD'S/WARD'S SCHOOL, THE SCHOOLS AGAINST WHICH IT COMPETES, THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, THE CONTEST OFFICIALS AND FHSAA HAS THE RIGHT TO REFUSE TO LET YOUR CHILD PARTICIPATE IF YOU DO NOT SIGN THIS FORM.

E. I agree that in the event we/I pursue litigation seeking injunctive relief or other legal action impacting my child (individually) or my child's team participation in FHSAA state series contests, such action shall be filed in the Alachua County, Florida, Circuit Court.

F. I understand that the authorizations and rights granted herein are voluntary and that I may revoke any or all of them at any time by submitting said revocation in writing to my school. By doing so, however, I understand that my child/ward will no longer be eligible for participation in interscholastic athletics.

G. Please check the appropriate box(es):

____ My child/ward is covered under our family health insurance plan, which has limits of not less than \$25,000.

Company: _____ Policy Number: _____

____ My child/ward is covered by his/her school's activities medical base insurance plan.

____ I have purchased supplemental football insurance through my child's/ward's school.

I HAVE READ THIS CAREFULLY AND KNOW IT CONTAINS A RELEASE (Only one parent/guardian signature is required)

Name of Parent/Guardian (printed) _____ Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date ____/____/____

Name of Parent/Guardian (printed) _____ Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date ____/____/____

I HAVE READ THIS CAREFULLY AND KNOW IT CONTAINS A RELEASE (student must sign)

Name of Student (printed) _____ Signature of Student _____ Date ____/____/____



Consent and Release from Liability Certificate for Concussions (Page 2 of 4)

This completed form must be kept on file by the school. This form is valid for 365 calendar days from the date of the most recent signature.

School: _____ School District (if applicable): _____

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 can't 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 fatigability
- 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 health-care professional (AHCP). In Florida, an appropriate health-care professional (AHCP) is defined as either a licensed physician (MD, as per Chapter 458, Florida Statutes), 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 step-wise protocol under the supervision of a licensed athletic trainer, coach or medical professional and then, receive written medical clearance of 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 students 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 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 of participation for myself and that of my child/ward.

Name of Student-Athlete (printed) _____ Signature of Student-Athlete _____ Date _____/_____/_____

Name of Parent/Guardian (printed) _____ Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____/_____/_____

Name of Parent/Guardian (printed) _____ Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____/_____/_____



Florida High School Athletic Association

Consent and Release from Liability Certificate for

Sudden Cardiac Arrest and Heat-Related Illness (Page 3 of 4)

This completed form must be kept on file by the school. This form is valid for 365 calendar days from the date of the most recent signature.

School: _____ School District (if applicable): _____

Sudden Cardiac Arrest Information

Sudden cardiac arrest is a leading cause of sports-related death. This policy provides procedures for educational requirements of all paid coaches and recommends added training. Sudden cardiac arrest is a condition in which the heart suddenly and unexpectedly stops beating. If this happens, blood stops flowing to the brain and other vital organs. SCA can cause death if it's not treated within minutes.

Symptoms of sudden cardiac arrest include, but not limited to: sudden collapse, no pulse, no breathing.

Warning signs associated with sudden cardiac arrest include: fainting during exercise or activity, shortness of breath, racing heart rate, dizziness, chest pains, extreme fatigue.

It is strongly recommended all coaches, whether paid or volunteer, are regularly trained in CPR and the use of an AED. Training is encouraged through agencies that provide hands-on training and offer certificates that include an expiration date.

Automatic external defibrillators (AEDs) are required at all FHSAA State Series games, tournaments and meets. The FHSAA also strongly recommends that they be available at all preseason and regular season events as well along with coaches/individuals trained in CPR.

What to do if your student-athlete collapses:

1. Call 911
2. Send for an AED
3. Begin compressions

FHSAA Heat-Related Illnesses Information

People 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 isn't 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.

Heat Stroke is the most serious heat-related illness. It happens when the body's temperature rises quickly and the body cannot cool down. Heat Stroke can cause permanent disability and death.

Heat Exhaustion is a milder type of heat-related illness. It usually develops after a number of days in high temperature weather and not drinking enough fluids.

Heat Cramps usually affect people who sweat a lot during demanding activity. Sweating reduces the body's salt and moisture and can cause painful cramps, usually in the abdomen, arms, or legs. Heat cramps may also be a symptom of heat exhaustion.

Who's at Risk?

Those at highest risk include the elderly, the very young, people with mental illness and people with chronic diseases. However, even young and healthy individuals can succumb to heat if they participate in demanding physical activities during hot weather. Other conditions that can increase your risk for heat-related illness include obesity, fever, dehydration, poor circulation, sunburn, and prescription drug or alcohol use.

By signing this agreement, I acknowledge the annual requirement for my child/ward to view both the "Sudden Cardiac Arrest" and "Heat Illness Prevention" courses at www.nfhslearn.com. I acknowledge that the information on Sudden Cardiac Arrest and Heat-Related Illness have been read and understood. I have been advised of the dangers of participation for myself and that of my child/ward.

Name of Student-Athlete (printed)

Signature of Student-Athlete

Date

Name of Parent/Guardian (printed)

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Name of Parent/Guardian (printed)

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date



Consent and Release from Liability Certificate (Page 4 of 4)

This completed form must be kept on file by the school. This form is valid for 365 calendar days from the date of the most recent signature.

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 sport (i.e. bowling, competitive cheerleading, girls flag football, lacrosse, boys volleyball, water polo and girls weightlifting or sanctioned sport (i.e. baseball, basketball, cross country, tackle football, golf, soccer, fast-pitch softball, swimming & diving, tennis, track & field, girls volleyball, boys weightlifting and wrestling), the student:

1. This form is **non-transferable**; a separate form must be completed for each different school at which a student participates.
2. Must be regularly enrolled and in regular attendance at your school. **If the student is a home education student or attends a charter school or Florida Virtual School - Full time Program or a special/alternative school or certain small non-member private schools, the student must declare in writing his/her intention to participate in athletics to the school at which the student is permitted to participate.** Home education students and students attending small non-member private schools must be approved through the use of a separate form prior to any participation. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.2, Policy 16 and Administrative Procedure 1.8)
3. Must attend school within 10 days of the beginning of **each semester** to be eligible during **that semester**. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.2)
4. Must maintain at least a cumulative 2.0 grade point average on a 4.0 unweighted scale prior to the semester in which the student wishes to participate. This GPA must include all courses taken since the student entered high school. A sixth, seventh or eighth grade student must have earned at least a 2.0 grade point average on 4.0 unweighted scale the previous semester. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.4)
5. Must not have graduated from any high school or its equivalent. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.4)
6. Must not have **enrolled in the ninth grade for the first time** more than four school years ago. If the student is a sixth, seventh or eighth grade student, the student must not participate if repeating that grade. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.5)
7. Must have signed permission to participate from the student's parent(s)/legal guardian(s) on a form (EL3) provided the school. (Bylaw 9.8)
8. Must not turn 19 before September 1st to participate at the high school level; must not turn 16 prior to September 1st to participate at the junior high level; and must not turn 15 prior to September 1st to participate at the middle school level, otherwise the student becomes permanently ineligible. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.6)
9. Must undergo a pre-participation physical evaluation and be certified as being physically fit for participation in interscholastic athletics (form EL2).
10. Must be an amateur. This means the student must not accept money, gift or donation for participating in a sport, or use a name other than his/her own when participating. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.9)
11. Must not participate in an all-star contest in a sport prior to completing his/her high school eligibility in that sport. (FHSAA Policy 26)
12. 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)
13. Must not provide false information to his/her school or to the FHSAA to gain eligibility. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.1)
14. Youth exchange, other international and immigrant students must be approved by the FHSAA office prior to any participation. Exceptions may apply. See your school's principal/athletic director. (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 acknowledges that the information on the Consent and Release from Liability Certificate in regards to the FHSAA's established rules and eligibility have been read and understood.

Name of Student-Athlete (printed)

Signature of Student-Athlete

Date

Name of Parent/Guardian (printed)

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Name of Parent/Guardian (printed)

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Section I**APPLICATION FOR ACTIVITY PARTICIPATION**

A. Name _____ Grade _____ DOB _____ School _____
 Address _____ Home Phone _____ Parent's Work Phone _____

I have read and understood all sections of this form that apply to my child. I certify that _____, who is a student and whose name is as it appears on his/her birth certificate, is my child or my legal ward, resides with me, and has been residing with me since (date) _____ at the following address: _____ (ZIP). I also state that we are now living within the attendance boundaries or have been reassigned by the district to _____ school.

Date _____ Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian _____

B. PERMISSION FOR SUPERVISED FIELD AND ACTIVITY TRIPS

During the school year, it sometimes becomes desirable to add to the educational experience of our students through planned visits to points outside of the school building. The visit might be a short field trip to a local point of educational interest, or on the middle and senior high school level, it might involve representing the school out of town in some group activity, such as band, chorus, athletic, academic, service club events, etc.

We request that you grant permission for your child to participate in any such trip during the entire school year so that we may keep this form on file and avoid the necessity of asking for such permission on each occasion. The Leon County School Board has authorized the use of buses, private passenger cars and those approved vans that meet all of the Federal Safety Standards to transport students to any such trips. Notification will be provided to you concerning the type of transportation to be used. School officials will provide trip itinerary for all out of county trips.

Part I: CONSENT

The undersigned as parent or guardian gives consent for the participant to use the Leon County School Board – approved means of transportation as a representative of _____ School for the supervised field and/or activity trips.

Date _____ Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian _____

PART II: NON-CONSENT

The undersigned as parent or guardian does not give consent for the participation to use the Leon County School Board – approved means of transportation as a representative of _____ School for the supervised field and/or activity trips.

Date _____ Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian _____

C. MEDICAL RELEASE**PART I: CONSENT**

The undersigned as the parent(s) and/or legal guardian(s) of _____ do hereby authorize the agent or officials of the Leon County School Board to obtain, through a physician of its choice, any emergency medical care that may become reasonably necessary for the student in the course of such athletic activities or such travel. No action shall be taken until an attempt is made to contact me at the phone number(s) listed below. Payment of all charges incurred for medical treatment is guaranteed by parent/guardian or the insurance company providing coverage for above named student.

Home Phone _____ Business Phone _____

IN WITNESS of our consent and agreement to the matters stated above, we have subscribed our signature below.

Date _____ Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian _____

PART II: NON-CONSENT

As parent or guardian of _____, I do not desire to sign the medical and surgical release form above.

Date _____ Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian _____

D. INSURANCE

As parent or guardian of the student identified herein, I understand that the School Board of Leon County is not liable for injuries to participants in school activities. I further understand that all students shall be required to have proper medical insurance before they will be permitted to practice and participate in any co-curricular activity or field trip program.

Date _____ Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian _____

The following options shall be the only acceptable ones: (Please check your selected option.)

1. = Personal Medical Insurance. The use of your personal medical or active/retired military insurance shall cover the activity(s) that your son or daughter will be participating in the current school year, and the insurance covers a minimum of \$25,000.

Company _____ Policy Number _____

2. = Student Activities Insurance Made Available through the School Board of Leon County. The cost of the insurance to be paid by the student participating (each year the county will publish the School Board of Leon County Insurance Plan for students). See school front office for details.

ATHLETICS ONLY

Section II

WARNING, AGREEMENT TO OBEY INSTRUCTIONS, RELEASE ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND AGREEMENT TO HOLD HARMLESS (Middle School and High School Athletics Only)

19/20

SPORT (Check applicable sport)

M.S. H.S.

☐ ☐ Football
☐ ☐ Volleyball
☐ ☐ Cross Country
☐ ☐ Soccer
☐ ☐ Cheerleading
☐ ☐ Flag Football

M.S. H.S.

☐ ☐ Basketball
☐ ☐ Wrestling
☐ ☐ Golf
☐ ☐ Swimming
☐ ☐ Weightlifting
☐ ☐ Dance

M.S. H.S.

☐ ☐ Track
☐ ☐ Baseball
☐ ☐ Softball
☐ ☐ Tennis
☐ ☐ Other(Specify)

(Both the applicant student and a parent or guardian must read carefully and sign.)

STUDENT

I am aware playing or practicing to play/participate in any sport can be a dangerous activity involving MANY RISKS OF INJURY. I understand that the dangers and risks of playing or practicing to play/participate in the above sport include, but are not limited to, death, serious neck and spinal injuries which may result in complete or partial paralysis, brain damage, serious injury to virtually all internal organs, serious injury to virtually all bones, joints, ligaments, muscles, tendons, and other aspects of the muscular skeletal system, and serious injury or impairment to other aspects of my body, general health and well-being. I understand that the dangers and risks of playing or practicing to play/participate in the above sport may result not only in serious injury, but in a serious impairment of my future abilities to earn a living, to engage in other business, social and recreational activities, and generally to enjoy life.

Because of the dangers of participating in the above sport, I recognize the importance of following coaches' instructions regarding playing techniques, training and other team rules, etc., and agree to obey such instructions.

In consideration of the Leon County School Board permitting me to try out for the _____ School (indicate sport) _____ activity and to engage in all activities related to the sport including, but not limited to trying out, practicing or play/practicing in that sport, I hereby assume all the risks associated with participating and agree to hold the Leon County School Board, its employees, agents, representatives, coaches, and volunteers harmless from any and all liability, actions, causes of action, debts, claims, or demands of any kind and nature whatsoever which may arise by or in connection with my participation in any activities related to the _____ School (indicate sport) _____ activity. The terms hereof shall serve as a release and assumption of risk for my heirs, estate, executor, administrator, assignees, and for all members of my family.

I, _____, am the parent/legal guardian of _____ (student). I have read the above warning and release and understand its terms. I understand that all sports can involve many RISKS OF INJURY, including, but not limited to, those risks outlined above.

In consideration of the Leon County School Board permitting my child/ward to participate at _____ School (indicate sport) _____ activity and to engage in all activities related to the team, including, but not limited to trying out, practicing, or playing/participating in (indicate sport) _____, I hereby agree to hold the Leon County School Board, its employees, agents, representatives, coaches, and volunteers harmless from any and all liability, action, causes of action, debts, claims, or demands of every kind and nature whatsoever which may arise by or in connection with the participation of my child/ward in any activities related to the _____ School (indicate sport) _____ activity.

The following to be completed only if sport is football, wrestling, soccer, baseball, or softball. I specifically acknowledge that _____ (indicate sport) is a VIOLENT CONTACT SPORT involving even greater risk of injury than other sports. _____ (initial)

Date

Signature of Student

Date

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian

Section III

EXAMINING PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE (Athletics Only)

The student shall undergo a physical evaluation by a licensed physician one time per year. The physical is valid for one calendar year (365 days), from their previous evaluation. The physician shall certify that the student is physically fit for participation in interscholastic practice and competition. The physical evaluation form signed by the physician should be attached to this form or placed on file with this form in the principal's office of each respective school. The FHSAA Physical Form EL2 is acceptable (www.FHSAA.org)

**LEON COUNTY SCHOOLS
Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer
Equity Officer
Dr. Kathleen Rodgers (850) 487-7306**



Florida High School Athletic Association

Affidavit of Compliance with the Policies on Athletic Recruiting & Non-Traditional Student Participation

- For:** Any student who changes attendance to a member school at any time, regardless of whether the change occurs during the school year (i.e. a transfer) or during the summer period between school years, including youth exchange, international and immigrant students, or is a "Non-Traditional" student (i.e. home education, certain charter and special/alternative school, certain private school, FLVS Full Time Public Program, etc.) participating for your school. *This form is not required for students entering from a terminating grade school (i.e. 5th grade to 6th, 8th grade to 9th grade).*
- Action:** Must be read and signed in the presence of a notary public by the student and his/her parent(s)/legal guardian(s) appointed by a court of competent jurisdiction. **This form only needs to be done once for each change of schools or change in participation as a "Non-Traditional" student at a member school.**
- Due date:** Must be received by the school prior to participation in the first sport in which the student wishes to participate,
- Required by:** FHSAA Policies.
- Purpose:** To heighten the awareness of and compliance with rules prohibiting athletic recruiting on the part of student-athletes, their parents legal guardians, and member schools, as well as participation with a member school as a "Non-Traditional" student.
- Verification:** Page 3 will be checked for completeness. **Submission of this form DOES NOT grant eligibility.**

TO: STUDENT-ATHLETE

The school that you have chosen to attend, or participate for as a "Non-Traditional" student, is a member of the Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA). The FHSAA has rules that prohibit a member school from making any effort to encourage or entice a student to attend or participate there for athletic purposes. This is called athletic recruiting, and it is not permitted on the high school level. The Florida Legislature, in fact, has directed the FHSAA to "adopt bylaws that specifically prohibit the recruiting of students for athletic purposes." Florida law also regulates the participation in interscholastic athletics by "Non-Traditional" students.

What follows is an explanation of athletic recruiting rules, as well as regulations related to participation by "Non-Traditional" students, and the penalties for violating them. You and your parent(s) or legal guardian(s) must read this document and declare that you were not recruited to attend or participate for the school for athletic purposes and that you are aware of the regulations regarding participation as a "Non-Traditional" student by signing the attached "Affidavit of Compliance" in the presence of a notary public. The signed affidavit must be submitted to the member school prior to a date not earlier than the first day of practice of the first sport in which the student wishes to participate, as posted on the FHSAA Website.

Please read this information carefully. Sign the affidavit truthfully and honestly. Do not sign the affidavit if you have any questions about these rules or believe that a violation of these rules may have occurred. Instead, have your school's athletic director contact the FHSAA Office by phone at 352.372.9551 ext. 340 or by e-mail at compliance@fhsaa.org. Violations of these rules and regulations can and do result in severe penalties for the school and the student-athlete. Making an inaccurate statement by signing the affidavit when you know you should not will only make these penalties worse for all involved if violations are later determined to have occurred.

What is athletic recruiting?

Athletic recruiting is any attempt by any employee or athletic department staff member of an FHSAA member school, a representative of the school's athletic interests or a third party to pressure, urge or entice a student who does not currently attend or participate for that school to change his/her attendance or participation there for the purpose of athletic participation. This occurs when the school employee, athletic department staff member or representative of the school's athletic interests makes improper contact with the student or a member of his/her family in an effort to pressure or urge the student to go to that school OR promises, offers or gives the student an impermissible benefit in an effort to entice the student to go to or participate for that school.

Who is "a representative of the school's athletic interests?"

Any person, business or organization that participates in, assists with, and/or promotes a school's athletic program is considered to be a representative of the school's athletic interests. This includes, but is not limited to:

- A student-athlete or other student participant in the athletic program at that school;
- The parents, guardians or other family members of a student-athlete or other student participant in the athletic program at that school;
- Immediate relatives of a coach or other members of the athletic department staff at that school;
- A volunteer with that school's athletic program;
- A member of an athletic booster organization of that school;
- A person, business or organization that makes financial or in-kind contributions to the athletic department or that is otherwise involved in promoting the school's interscholastic athletic program.

What is improper contact with a student who does not attend a school?

Any contact or communication of any kind with a student who does not attend or participate for a particular school, or a member of the student's family, in attempt to pressure, urge or entice the student to change attendance to a different school for athletic reasons is improper. The improper contact can either be in person, through written or electronic means such as letters, flyers, e-mails, text messages, social media or through a third party. Did someone talk you into changing to this school to play athletics? Did someone urge you to change to this school to play athletics? If so, you may have been athletically recruited.



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What is an impermissible benefit?

An impermissible benefit is any benefit that is promised, offered or given to a student or a member of his/her family but is not offered or generally made available to all students who apply to or attend or participate for the school. Did someone promise, offer or give you anything more than what any other student who attends or participate for this school is generally promised, offered or given that caused you to decide to change to this school? If so, it probably is an impermissible benefit.

What is a "third party"?

A "third party" is an independent person, business or organization who may or may not be a representative of the school's athletic interests.

What are the penalties for violations of athletic recruiting rules by a member school?

A member school that violates athletic recruiting rules will be assessed one or more of the following penalties:

- A public reprimand;
- A financial penalty;
- Forfeiture of all contests and awards won in which the student who was athletically recruited or received an impermissible benefit participated or contributed;
- One or more forms of probation (administrative, restrictive or suspension) for one or more years;
- Prohibition against participating or coaching in certain competitions, including state playoffs, for one or more years in the sport(s) in which the violation(s) occurred;
- Prohibition against participating in any competitions for one or more years in the sport(s) in which the violation(s) occurred;
- Restricted membership for one or more years during which some or all of the school's membership privileges are restricted or denied;
- Expulsion from membership in the FHSAA.

What are the penalties for a student who is found to have been athletically recruited or receives an impermissible benefit?

A student who is found to have accepted an impermissible benefit will be ineligible for athletic competition for one or more years at the school where the violation occurred, and may be declared ineligible for athletic competition at all FHSAA member schools for one or more years.

What are the regulations regarding the participation of "Non-Traditional" students?

A Non-Traditional student is eligible to participate provided:

- The student meets the same residency requirements as other students in the school at which he/ she participates; and
- The student meets the same standards of acceptance, behavior and performance as required of other students in extracurricular activities; and
- The student registers with the school his/her intent to participate in interscholastic athletic competition as a representative of the school, utilizing the official Association process as approved by the Executive Director, prior to participation in the sport(s) in which he/she wishes to participate, as posted on the FHSAA website; and
- The student complies with all FHSAA regulations, including eligibility requirements regarding age and limits of eligibility, and local school regulations during the time of participation; and
- The student provides proof of basic medical insurance coverage and both independently secured catastrophic insurance coverage and liability insurance coverage which names the FHSAA as an insured party in the event the school's insurance provider does not extend coverage to such students; and
- The student provides his/her own transportation to and from the school; and
- The student provides to school authorities all required forms (including, but not limited to, the EL2, EL3 and, where applicable, the EL7, EL7V, EL12, EL12V and EL14) and provisions.

What are the penalties for violations of regulations regarding "Non-Traditional" student by a member school?

Allowing students to participate without properly registering a non-traditional student will subject the school to a monetary penalty.



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The student/parent must complete, obtain all applicable signatures and submit this form to the school on or before the first day of practice for the first sport in which the student wishes to participate, as established on the FHSAA Calendar. Submission of this form DOES NOT grant eligibility. The student must be ELIGIBLE in all other respects.

We, the undersigned, being sworn, certify that the following statements are true:

1. Student {full legal name} _____ ("THIS STUDENT"), who was born on {date} _____, 19/20 _____, and who is currently in the {number} _____ th grade, now attends or wishes to participate for {school now attending/participating for} _____ ("THIS SCHOOL"), commencing on {date} _____, 20 _____.

THIS STUDENT has previously attended/participated for {list all previous secondary schools beginning with the most recent and working back in time} _____.

2. I have read and understand the definition of athletic recruiting, including the explanation of the terms "representatives of the school's athletic interests", "improper contact" and "impermissible benefit", or I have read and understand the regulations regarding participation as a "Non-Traditional" student.

3. No employee, athletic department staff member, representative of the athletic interests of THIS SCHOOL, any person or organization acting on their behalf or a third party has had communication, directly or indirectly, through intermediaries, or otherwise with THIS STUDENT or any member of his/her family in an attempt to pressure, urge or entice THIS STUDENT to change attendance to or participation for THIS SCHOOL for the purpose of participation in interscholastic athletics.

4. No employee, athletic department staff member, representative of the athletic interests of THIS SCHOOL, any person or organization acting on their behalf or a third party is giving, has given, has offered or promised to give, directly or indirectly, through intermediaries, or otherwise any impermissible benefit to THIS STUDENT or any member of his/her family for the purpose of participation in interscholastic athletics.

5. If THIS STUDENT is a "Non-Traditional" student, THIS STUDENT has submitted to THIS SCHOOL the EL2 and EL3 forms and, where applicable, the EL7, EL7V, EL12, EL12V and EL14 forms prior to participation in the first sport in which the student wishes to participate.

6. If THIS STUDENT is a youth exchange (J-1 and F-1 Visas), international or immigrant student, THIS STUDENT has submitted to THIS SCHOOL the EL2 and EL3 forms and, where applicable, the EL4 Form.

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have read the foregoing Affidavit and that the facts stated therein are true and correct and that the punishment for knowingly making a false statement includes fines and/or imprisonment. I further understand that the penalties for knowingly making a false statement may subject THIS SCHOOL to fines, forfeitures, probations and possible expulsion from membership in the FHSAA, and may subject THIS STUDENT to a loss of athletic eligibility.

FOR STUDENT/PARENT(S)/LEGAL GUARDIAN(S):

Signature of Student / Date

Printed Name of Student

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian / Date

Printed Name of Parent/Legal Guardian

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian / Date

Printed Name of Parent/Legal Guardian



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This form is to be completed by any person affiliated with an FHSAA member school athletic program (Bylaw 1.4.18) and who is also affiliated with a non-school activity (Bylaw 1.4.24). Each student participating on the non-school team must be notified that their participation with the non-school team and their subsequent enrollment and attendance at the FHSAA member school at which this person is affiliated could render the student ineligible for one calendar year as per Bylaw 9.2.4 and Policy 22. The person affiliated with the FHSAA member school and the non-school team as well as each student participating on the non-school team must attest below to this notification of potential ineligibility. This form must be completed and submitted to the Athletic Director of the FHSAA member school prior to participation by any student listed below in the non-school activity.

SECTION A: *{to be completed by the adult individual that is affiliated with the FHSAAA member school and the non-school activity}*

I, _____, acknowledge that I have informed each of the students below that their athletic eligibility at the _____
{name of individual}
FHSAA member school with which I am affiliated may be jeopardized by their participation in the non-school activity with which I am also affiliated.

{signature of above individual}

{date signed}

Name of FHSAA member school

Name of Non-school team/organization

My role with the above is (i.e. coach, director, Board Member, etc.)

Name of the agency with which the above non-school team is affiliated (i.e. AAU, USA, etc.)

SECTION B: *{to be completed by participants in the non-school activity}*

[illegible]

Use the reverse side for additional students

This form must be submitted the Athletic Director of the FHSAA member school prior to the first date of participation