

Palmetto tigers
Athletic Packet
2023-2024

EL2 and EL3 must be turned in at the same time.

EL2

EL2 Preparticipation Physical Evaluation-5 pages

Must be completed by Physician, signed and stamped.

Page 4 of EL2 is the only document needed by school.

All other documents should be retained by parents.

EL3

STUDENT AND PARENT MUST SIGN ALL 4 PAGES

EL3-CONSENT AND RELEASE FROM LIABILITY CERTIFICATE-PAGE 1

EL3-CONSENT AND RELEASE FROM LIABILITY CERTIFICATE FOR CONCUSSIONS-PAGE 2

**EL3-CONSENT AND RELEASE FROM LIABILITY CERTIFICATE FOR SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST
AND HEAT-RELATED ILLNESS-PAGE 3**

EL3-CONSENT AND RELEASE FROM LIABILITY CERTIFICATE-PAGE 4

Athletic Fee- Last Page

All Student Athletes Must Purchase

When paid, this form will be handed back as receipt.

Athletic Fees are due before season practice begins.

Covers athletic insurance and all sports pass

**Please ensure students and parents have signed all signature
areas.**



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.

EL2

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MEDICAL HISTORY FORM

Student Information (to be completed by student and parent) *print 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: _____ Relationship to Student: _____
 Emergency Contact Cell Phone: (____) _____ Work Phone: (____) _____ Other Phone: (____) _____
 Family Healthcare Provider: _____ City/State: _____ Office Phone: (____) _____

List past and current medical conditions:

Have you ever had surgery? If yes, please list all surgical procedures and dates:

Medicines and supplements (please list all current prescription medications, over-the-counter medicines, and supplements (herbal and nutritional):

Do you have any allergies? If yes, please list all of your allergies (i.e., medicines, pollens, food, insects):

Patient Health Questionnaire version 4 (PHQ-4)

Over the past two weeks, how often have you been bothered by any of the following problems? (Circle response)

	Not at all	Several days	Over half of the days	Nearly everyday
Feeling nervous, anxious, or on edge	0	1	2	3
Not being able to stop or control worrying	0	1	2	3
Little interest or pleasure in doing things	0	1	2	3
Feeling down, depressed, or hopeless	0	1	2	3

GENERAL QUESTIONS			Yes	No	HEART HEALTH QUESTIONS ABOUT YOU			Yes	No
HEART HEALTH QUESTIONS ABOUT YOU			Yes	No	HEART HEALTH QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR FAMILY			Yes	No
1	Do you have any concerns that you would like to discuss with your provider?				8	Has a doctor ever requested a test for your heart? For example, electrocardiography (ECG) or echocardiography (ECHO)?			
2	Has a provider ever denied or restricted your participation in sports for any reason?				9	Do you get light-headed or feel shorter of breath than your friends during exercise?			
3	Do you have any ongoing medical issues or recent illnesses?				10	Have you ever had a seizure?			
4	Have you ever passed out or nearly passed out during or after exercise?				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, pain, tightness, or pressure in your chest during exercise?				12	Does anyone in your family have a genetic heart problem such as hypertrophic cardiomyopathy (HCM), Marfan Syndrome, arrhythmogenic right ventricular cardiomyopathy (ARVC), long QT syndrome (LQTS), short QT syndrome (SQTS), Brugada syndrome, or catecholaminergic polymorphic ventricular tachycardia (CPVT)?			
6	Does your heart ever race, flutter in your chest, or skip beats (irregular beats) during exercise?				13	Has anyone in your family had a pacemaker or an implanted defibrillator before age 35?			
7	Has a doctor ever told you that you have any heart problems?								

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



PREPARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION (Page 2 of 4)

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Student's Full Name: _____ Date of Birth: ___ / ___ / ___ School: _____

BONE AND JOINT QUESTIONS		Yes	No	MEDICAL QUESTIONS (continued)		Yes	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?		
MEDICAL 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?			Explain "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?						

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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)
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PHYSICAL EXAMINATION FORM

Student's Full Name: _____ Date of Birth: ___ / ___ / ___ School: _____

PHYSICIAN REMINDERS:

Consider additional questions on more sensitive issues.

• Do you feel stressed out or under a lot of pressure?	• Do you ever feel sad, hopeless, depressed, or anxious?
• Do you feel safe at your home or residence?	• During the past 30 days, did you use chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip?
• Do you drink alcohol or use any other drugs?	• Have you ever taken anabolic steroids or used any other performance-enhancing supplement?
• Have you ever taken any supplements to help you gain or lose weight or improve your performance?	

Verify completion of FHSAA EL2 Medical History (pages 1 and 2), review these medical history responses as part of your assessment. Cardiovascular history/symptom questions include Q4-Q13 of Medical History form. *(check box if complete)*

EXAMINATION

Height: _____ **Weight:** _____

BP: ___ / ___ (___ / ___) **Pulse:** _____ **Vision:** R 20/ _____ L 20/ _____ **Corrected:** Yes No

MEDICAL - healthcare professional shall initial each assessment	NORMAL	ABNORMAL FINDINGS
Appearance • Marfan stigmata (kyphoscoliosis, high-arched palate, pectus excavatum, arachnodactyl, hyperlaxity, myopia, mitral valve prolapse [MVP], and aortic insufficiency)		
Eyes, Ears, Nose, and Throat • Pupils equal • Hearing		
Lymph Nodes		
Heart • Murmurs (auscultation standing, auscultation supine, and Valsalva maneuver)		
Lungs		
Abdomen		
Skin • Herpes Simplex Virus (HSV), lesions suggestive of Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus (MRSA), or tinea corporis		
Neurological		

MUSCULOSKELETAL - healthcare professional shall initial each assessment	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, single-leg squat test, and box drop or step drop test		

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

*Consider electrocardiography (ECG), echocardiography (ECHO), referral to a cardiologist for abnormal cardiac history or examination findings, or any combination thereof. The FHSAA Sports Medicine Advisory Committee strongly recommends to a student-athlete (parent), a medical evaluation with your healthcare provider for risk factors of sudden cardiac arrest which may include an electrocardiogram.

Name of Healthcare Professional (print or type): _____ Date of Exam: ___ / ___ / _____

Address: _____ Phone: (_____) _____ E-mail: _____

Signature of Healthcare Professional: _____ Credentials: _____ License #: _____

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PREPARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION (Page 4 of 4)

SUBMIT THIS MEDICAL ELIGIBILITY FORM TO THE SCHOOL

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EL2

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MEDICAL ELIGIBILITY FORM

Student Information (to be completed by student and parent) print 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: Relationship to Student: Emergency Contact Cell Phone: Work Phone: Other Phone: Family Healthcare Provider: City/State: Office Phone:

- Medically eligible for all sports without restriction
Medically eligible for all sports without restriction with recommendations for further evaluation or treatment of: (use additional sheet, if necessary)

Medically eligible for only certain sports as listed below:

Not medically eligible for any sports

Recommendations: (use additional sheet, if necessary)

I hereby certify that I have examined the above-named student-athlete using the FHSAA EL2 Preparticipation Physical Evaluation and have provided the conclusion(s) listed above. A copy of the exam has been retained and can be accessed by the parent as requested. Any injury or other medical conditions that arise after the date of this medical clearance should be properly evaluated, diagnosed, and treated by an appropriate healthcare professional prior to participation in activities.

Name of Healthcare Professional (print or type): Date: Address: Phone: Signature of Healthcare Professional: Credentials: License #:

SHARED EMERGENCY INFORMATION - completed at the time of assessment by practitioner and parent

Check this box if there is no relevant medical history to share related to participation in competitive sports.

Provider Stamp (if required by school)

Medications: (use additional sheet, if necessary)

List:

Relevant medical history to be reviewed by athletic trainer/team physician: (explain below, use additional sheet, if necessary)

- Allergies Asthma Cardiac/Heart Concussion Diabetes Heat Illness Orthopedic Surgical History Sickle Cell Trait Other

Explain:

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

We hereby state, to the best of our knowledge the information recorded on this form is complete and correct. 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.

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



PREPARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION (Supplement)

SUBMIT THIS MEDICAL ELIGIBILITY FORM TO THE SCHOOL

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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

Student Information (to be completed by student and parent) *print 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: _____ Relationship to Student: _____
 Emergency Contact Cell Phone: (____) _____ Work Phone: (____) _____ Other Phone: (____) _____
 Family Healthcare Provider: _____ City/State: _____ Office Phone: (____) _____

Referred for: _____ Diagnosis: _____

I hereby certify the evaluation and assessment for which this student-athlete was referred has been conducted by myself or a clinician under my direct supervision with the conclusions documented below:

- Medically eligible for all sports without restriction as of the date signed below
- Medically eligible for all sports without restriction after completion of the following treatment plan: *(use additional sheet, if necessary)*

Medically eligible for only certain sports as listed below:

Not medically eligible for any sports

Further Recommendations: *(use additional sheet, if necessary)*

Name of Healthcare Professional (print or type): _____ Date: ___ / ___ / ___

Address: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Signature of Healthcare Professional: _____ Credentials: _____ License #: _____

Provider Stamp *(if required by school)*



Consent and Release from Liability Certificate (Page 1 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. **This form is non-transferable; a change of schools during the validity period of this form will require this form to be re-submitted.**

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. As required by F.S. 1014.06(1), I specifically authorize healthcare services to be provided for my child/ward by a healthcare practitioner, as defined in F.S. 456.001, or someone under the direct supervision of a healthcare practitioner, 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



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 and/or sanctioned sport, the student:

- This form is non-transferable;** a separate form must be completed for each different school at which a student participates.
- Must be regularly enrolled and in regular attendance at your school. **If the student is a home education student, a charter school student, a special/alternative school student, non-member private school student or 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 which the student is permitted to participate.** Home education students and students attending 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)
- Must attend school within the first 10 days of the beginning of **each semester** to be eligible during **that semester**. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.2)
- 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)
- Must not have graduated from any high school or its equivalent. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.4)
- Must not have **enrolled in the ninth grade for the first time** more than eight semesters 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)
- Must not turn 19 before **July 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)
- Must undergo a pre-participation physical evaluation and be certified as being physically fit for participation in interscholastic athletics on a form (EL2). (FHSAA Bylaw 9.7)
- Must have signed permission to participate from the student's parent(s)/legal guardian(s) on a form (EL3) provided the school. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.8)
- 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)
- 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)
- 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)
- Must not provide false information to his/her school or to the FHSAA to gain eligibility. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.1)
- 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)
- 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 / /

**MANDATORY STUDENT ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION FEE
INFORMATION FOR HIGH SCHOOL PARENTS 2023**

Students, who participate in interscholastic athletics, including cheerleading/dance team and marching band, are required to pay a participation fee before they are allowed to participate in sports and other specified activities. There are several costs for athletics such as but not limited to uniforms, equipment, field maintenance, referees, insurance, stadium maintenance, buses/travel, bats, balls, safety equipment, etc... If you have a son/daughter that participates in interscholastic athletics, cheerleading and/or marching band, it will be necessary for you to contact the athletic director, cheerleading coach or marching band director at his/her school to get information on how to sign up and pay the participation fee.

The Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA) requires all athletes to have some sort of insurance prior to participating in sports. The School District of Manatee County purchases a basic student accident insurance protection plan to be sure all athletes have access to basic coverage. Basic insurance is not designed to replace family insurance. **You are encouraged to pay for and have health insurance coverage for your student in addition to this coverage. Public School Districts are not responsible for accidental injuries that may happen while playing sports.** This accident insurance is a supplemental or excess plan and will not pay 100% of the bills. The deductible for this plan is \$50.00 with a maximum benefit of \$25,000.00 for any one covered accident, which is in **excess of the amount from other collectible insurance or health plans you may have**. More complete policy terms, provisions, benefits and exclusions are available on line at www.schoolinsuranceofflorida.com or you may call 800-432-6915.

How To File A Claim for an Athletic Injury:

1. The student **MUST** report the injury to the coach immediately and **MUST** see a doctor within 30 days of the date of injury.
2. Obtain a claim form from the school or go online at www.schoolinsuranceofflorida.com. The school will provide you with a summary report to be attached to the claim form. The claim cannot be processed without the claim form. You may contact the insurance company directly for assistance.
3. Fill in the requested information on the claim form and SIGN IT. Do NOT leave the form at the doctor's office. Send the claim form and itemized bills to the claims address on the claim form. It is not necessary to wait until treatment is complete to send the claim; however, only the claim form must be received within 90 days of the injury. If you have other applicable insurance, you **must** file with that company first. When you receive the Explanation of Benefits (EOB's) from the primary insurance showing what has been paid, match this to your itemized bills and mail both matching copies to the insurance agency. **KEEP A COPY OF ALL PAPERWORK FOR YOUR RECORDS.** Do not hesitate to contact the insurance company for any questions or assistance with filing your claims. **You have one year to submit the medical bills.** Late claims after one year cannot be processed.
4. Filing a claim after an injury is the Parents responsibility. Under HIPAA or privacy laws, the agent and/or an employee of the School Board cannot file the claim for you, nor can they obtain claims information from an insurance company without your written permission.

**Submit all Customer Service Requests and Mail Claims and Bills to:
SCHOOL INSURANCE OF FLORIDA
PO BOX 784268
WINTER GARDEN, FL 34778-4268**

Direct Claims Line 407-798-0290 <> TOLL FREE: 800-432-6915 <> FAX: 407-798-0296

PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN COMPLETE BELOW

ATHLETIC FEE for Student - [Print Student's Name Here →](#)

\$100 **Athletic Fee*** (Payable by check or cash directly to your school.) This fee includes Athletic Insurance and Palmetto High All Sports pass to enter all regular season athletic events.

\$25 **Spring Football / Spring Cheerleading*** (Payable by check or cash directly to your school.)

*This fee is a Try Out/Participation fee and includes unlimited tryouts, participation in open facilities and strength training.

JROTC is a separate activity and enrollment is mandatory can only be purchases online only: www.schoolinsuranceofflorida.com

I have paid the Participation Fee described above and have received information regarding basic insurance coverage available for my student(s) including information on filing a claim. I understand the school insurance may not pay for all medical bills and I am responsible to have my own family insurance and file any claims if necessary on a timely manner as outlined here.

(Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian)

(Date)

Payment received by: _____
(Signature of School Employee Collecting Payment)

Date Received: _____