### Ephrata Area School District Athletic Department

#### **Athletic Responsibility Acknowledgement Form**

	Athlete's Name	Sport	Year
Prior t	o participating in any practice, tryout or	contest for any interscholastic sport, eac	h athlete must:
1.	form is required if there is participation in	d on file with the Athletic Trainer. A PIAA in a thletics after the original season covered	recertification
2.	Return his/her Athletic Responsibility Acl		
3.	Return his/her Acknowledgement of Risk	Form properly completed.	
	Ephrata Area School District student-athle tand that:	ete participating voluntarily in interscho	lastic athletics,
1.	I must abide to all Ephrata Area School Disthis information which is found in the Stud Any questions or concerns I've had about	dent Handbook and posted online on the a	thletic website.
2.	I will be responsible for all athletic equipment and uniforms at the price for any unreturned items.		
3.	I have specifically read and understand th drugs, alcohol and tobacco.	e Athletic Department policies and conseq	uences related to
4.	I must meet all PIAA and Ephrata Area Sch I must be passing at least 4 credits and can	The second of th	
5.	I acknowledge that I have been properly a personnel of the Ephrata Area School Dist been so cautioned and warned, it is still m knowledge and understanding of the risk of	rict that I am exposing myself to the risk of y desire to participate in sports and to do s	injury. Having
6.	The Ephrata Area School District does not harassment. Any student found in violation		
7.	Student-athletes are expected to demonstr	rate the highest levels of sportsmanship or	and off the field
8.	I, along with my parents/guardians, certify School District Athletic Policies listed in the athletic webpage, and in order to be eligib- listed.	e Student Handbook, which is also posted	online on the
Studen	t Signature:	Date:	
)aront	/Guardian Signature	Date	

INSURANCE VERIFICATION							
We, the parents or guardians of insurance carrier with policy number:							
that will pay the medical or surgical expenses resulting from any injury, major or minor, that the an named student may receive as a result of practicing, traveling or performing in interscholastic athlor the Ephrata Area School District.							
The Ephrata Area School District provides a secondary insurance policy of interscholastic athletic programs. The Athletic Trainer has all necessary							
PARENT'S TRAVEL PERMIT							
I hereby give my consent for	thletic Department. I understand n driven by a district approved strict provided transportation. If ent/guardian, I understand a						
Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:						
AGREEMENT TO BE PHOTOGRAPHED							
Through participation in the sport, students will be photographed during in-game, action situations. To be eligible to participate, permission must be granted to be photographed during the in-game, action situations.							
Permission to be photographed in "staged" settings, such as team pic must be given below:	tures and media head shots,						
Yes, Parent/Guardian signature:							
No, Parent / Guardian signature:	Date:						



#### RISK OF INJURY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Ephrata Area School District has provided you with a qualified staff, protective equipment and qualified supportive staff in sports medicine. Despite all efforts to minimize your risks as a participant in sport, athletes are seriously injured in most sports every year. Because of this fact, the **risk of catastrophic injury** (blindness, paraplegia, quadriplegia, brain injury or even death) is inherent in sports. Your parents, and you, as a participant, must accept this risk or you should not participate.

For your personal safety, it is imperative that you:

- 1. Inspect your equipment on a daily basis. Report any improperly fitting and/or faulty equipment to your coach or the athletic trainer. Only use equipment as it is designed to be used in athletic training and competition.
- 2. Know the rules of the game and observe them. They are guidelines for your safety in participation.
- 3. Listen to good coaching instructions and learn proper techniques to enhance your physical skills. Good technique makes you a better and safer player.
- 4. Report all injuries or illnesses to the athletic trainer and/or team physician immediately upon occurrence. (This is important for many reasons, including documentation for insurance and our records.) Follow the advice of the athletic trainer and team physician regarding participation following an injury or illness.

\*\*\*\*If you see a Dr. for an injury/illness, you may not return to participation in your sport until the athletic training staff has received a note from the Doctor, clearing you for return to participation.\*\*\*\*

5.	If any injury occurs:		I INJURED PLAYER! Γ ΤΟ REMOVE ANY GEAR!	
have d (Paren have d unders signing	t/Guardian)iscussed any questions stand the risks involved	I may have with the I may have with the l in participating in uest permission to j	e coach and/or athletic train	bove statements and ner. We fully hool District and by
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SIG	NATURE OF PARENT/	GUARDIAN	 DAT	 E



# PIAA COMPREHENSIVE INITIAL PRE-PARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION



INITIAL EVALUATION: Prior to any student participating in Practices, Inter-School Practices, Scrimmages, and/or Contests, at any PIAA member school in any school year, the student is required to (1) complete a Comprehensive Initial Pre-Participation Physical Evaluation (CIPPE); and (2) have the appropriate person(s) complete the first six Sections of the CIPPE Form. Upon completion of Sections 1 and 2 by the parent/guardian; Sections 3, 4, and 5 by the student and parent/guardian; and Section 6 by an Authorized Medical Examiner (AME), those Sections must be turned in to the Principal, or the Principal's designee, of the student's school for retention by the school. The CIPPE may NOT be authorized earlier than May 1<sup>st</sup> and shall be effective, regardless of when performed during a school year, until the latter of the next April 30<sup>th</sup> or the conclusion of the spring sports season.

SUBSEQUENT SPORT(S) IN THE SAME SCHOOL YEAR: Following completion of a CIPPE, the same student seeking to participate in Practices, Inter-School Practices, Scrimmages, and/or Contests in subsequent sport(s) in the same school year, must complete Section 7 of this form and must turn in that Section to the Principal, or Principal's designee, of his or her school. The Principal, or the Principal's designee, will then determine whether Section 8 need be completed.

### SECTION 1: PERSONAL AND EMERGENCY INFORMATION

#### PERSONAL INFORMATION

Student's Name		_	I	Male/Female (circle one)
Student's Date of Birth:/_	/ Student's A	ge on Last Birthday:	Grade _	for 20 20
Current Physical Address				School real
Current Home Phone # (	) Pare	ent/Guardian Current Cellular	Phone # (	)
Parent/Guardian E-mail Addres	ss:			
Fall Sport(s):	Winter Sport(s):	Spring 9	Sport(s): _	
EMERGENCY INFORMATION				
Parent's/Guardian's Name			Relation	nship
Address		_ Emergency Contact Teleph	none # (	)
Secondary Emergency Contact	t Person's Name		Relations	ship
Address		_ Emergency Contact Teleph	none # (	)
Medical Insurance Carrier		Policy	Number_	
Address		Telephone # (	)	_
Family Physician's Name				_, MD or DO (circle one)
Address		Telephone # (	)	_
Student's Allergies	_			
Student's Health Condition(s) c	of Which an Emergency Phys	sician or Other Medical Perso	nnel Sho	uld be Aware
Student's Prescription Medicati	ons and conditions of which	they are being prescribed		
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#### Section 2: Certification of Parent/Guardian The student's parent/guardian must complete all parts of this form. A. I hereby give my consent for \_ born on \_\_\_ who turned on his/her last birthday, a student of School and a resident of the \_\_ public school district, to participate in Practices, Inter-School Practices, Scrimmages, and/or Contests during the 20\_\_\_\_ - 20\_\_\_\_ school year in the sport(s) as indicated by my signature(s) following the name of the said sport(s) approved below. Fall Signature of Parent Winter Signature of Parent Spring Signature of Parent **Sports** or Guardian or Guardian Sports **Sports** or Guardian Cross Basketball Baseball Country Bowling Boys' Field Lacrosse Competitive Hockey Girls' Spirit Squad Football Lacrosse Girls' Golf Softball Gymnastics Soccer Bovs' Rifle Tennis Girls' Swimming Track & Field Tennis and Diving (Outdoor) Girls' Track & Field Volleyball Bovs' (Indoor) Volleyball Water Wrestling Other Polo Other Other Understanding of eligibility rules: I hereby acknowledge that I am familiar with the requirements of PIAA concerning the eligibility of students at PIAA member schools to participate in Inter-School Practices, Scrimmages, and/or Contests involving PIAA member schools. Such requirements, which are posted on the PIAA Web site at www.piaa.org, include, but are not necessarily limited to age, amateur status, school attendance, health, transfer from one school to another, season and out-of-season rules and regulations, semesters of attendance, seasons of sports participation, and academic performance. Parent's/Guardian's Signature Disclosure of records needed to determine eligibility: I hereby consent to the release to PIAA of any and all portions of school record files, beginning with the seventh grade, of the herein named student specifically including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, birth and age records, name and residence address of parent(s) or guardian(s), residence address of the student, health records, academic work completed, grades received, and attendance data. Parent's/Guardian's Signature Permission to use name, likeness, and athletic information: I consent to PIAA's use of the herein named student's name, likeness, and athletically related information in video broadcasts and re-broadcasts, webcasts and reports of Inter-School Practices, Scrimmages, and/or Contests, promotional literature of the Association, and other materials and releases related to interscholastic athletics. Parent's/Guardian's Signature Date / Permission to administer emergency medical care: I consent for an emergency medical care provider to administer any emergency medical care deemed advisable to the welfare of the herein named student while the student is practicing for or participating in Inter-School Practices, Scrimmages, and/or Contests. Further, this authorization permits, if reasonable efforts to contact me have been unsuccessful, physicians to hospitalize, secure appropriate consultation, to order injections, anesthesia (local, general, or both) or surgery for the herein named student. I hereby agree to pay for physicians' and/or surgeons' fees, hospital charges, and related expenses for such emergency medical care. I further give permission to the school's athletic administration, coaches and medical staff to consult with the Authorized Medical Professional who executes Section 7 regarding a medical condition or injury to the herein named student. Parent's/Guardian's Signature Confidentiality: The information on this CIPPE shall be treated as confidential by school personnel. It may be used by the school's athletic administration, coaches and medical staff to determine athletic eligibility, to identify medical conditions and injuries, and to promote safety and injury prevention. In the event of an emergency, the information contained in this CIPPE may be shared with emergency medical personnel. Information about an injury or medical

condition will not be shared with the public or media without written consent of the parent(s) or guardian(s).

Date

Parent's/Guardian's Signature

### SECTION 3: UNDERSTANDING OF RISK OF CONCUSSION AND TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY

#### What is a concussion?

A concussion is a brain injury that:

- Is caused by a bump, blow, or jolt to the head or body.
- Can change the way a student's brain normally works.
- Can occur during Practices and/or Contests in any sport.
- Can happen even if a student has not lost consciousness.
- Can be serious even if a student has just been "dinged" or "had their bell rung."

All concussions are serious. A concussion can affect a student's ability to do schoolwork and other activities (such as playing video games, working on a computer, studying, driving, or exercising). Most students with a concussion get better, but it is important to give the concussed student's brain time to heal.

#### What are the symptoms of a concussion?

Concussions cannot be seen; however, in a potentially concussed student, **one or more** of the symptoms listed below may become apparent and/or that the student "doesn't feel right" soon after, a few days after, or even weeks after the injury.

- Headache or "pressure" in head
- Nausea or vomiting
- Balance problems or dizziness
- Double or blurry vision
- Bothered by light or noise

- Feeling sluggish, hazy, foggy, or groggy
- Difficulty paying attention
- Memory problems
- Confusion

#### What should students do if they believe that they or someone else may have a concussion?

- Students feeling any of the symptoms set forth above should immediately tell their Coach and their parents. Also, if they notice any teammate evidencing such symptoms, they should immediately tell their Coach.
- The student should be evaluated. A licensed physician of medicine or osteopathic medicine (MD or DO), sufficiently familiar with current concussion management, should examine the student, determine whether the student has a concussion, and determine when the student is cleared to return to participate in interscholastic athletics.
- Concussed students should give themselves time to get better. If a student has sustained a concussion, the student's brain needs time to heal. While a concussed student's brain is still healing, that student is much more likely to have another concussion. Repeat concussions can increase the time it takes for an already concussed student to recover and may cause more damage to that student's brain. Such damage can have long term consequences. It is important that a concussed student rest and not return to play until the student receives permission from an MD or DO, sufficiently familiar with current concussion management, that the student is symptom-free.

**How can students prevent a concussion?** Every sport is different, but there are steps students can take to protect themselves.

• Use the proper sports equipment, including personal protective equipment. For equipment to properly protect a student, it must be:

The right equipment for the sport, position, or activity; Worn correctly and the correct size and fit; and Used every time the student Practices and/or competes.

- Follow the Coach's rules for safety and the rules of the sport.
- Practice good sportsmanship at all times.

If a student believes they may have a concussion: Don't hide it. Report it. Take time to recover.

I hereby acknowledge that I am familiar with the nature and risk of concussion and traum participating in interscholastic athletics, including the risks associated with continuing to compete traumatic brain injury.			
Student's Signature	Date_	/	
I hereby acknowledge that I am familiar with the nature and risk of concussion and traum participating in interscholastic athletics, including the risks associated with continuing to compete traumatic brain injury.		•	•
Parent's/Guardian's Signature	Date		_/

#### SECTION 4: UNDERSTANDING OF SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST SYMPTOMS AND WARNING SIGNS

#### What is sudden cardiac arrest?

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

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

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

#### Are there warning signs?

Although SCA happens unexpectedly, some people may have signs or symptoms, such as

- · Dizziness or lightheadedness when exercising;
- Fainting or passing out during or after exercising;
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing with exercise, that is not asthma related;
- Racing, skipped beats or fluttering heartbeat (palpitations)
- Fatigue (extreme or recent onset of tiredness)
- Weakness:
- Chest pains/pressure or tightness during or after exercise.

These symptoms can be unclear and confusing in athletes. Some may ignore the signs or think they are normal results off physical exhaustion. If the conditions that cause SCA are diagnosed and treated before a life-threatening event, sudden cardiac death can be prevented in many young athletes.

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

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

#### Act 73 – Peyton's Law - Electrocardiogram testing for student athletes

The Act is intended to help keep student-athletes safe while practicing or playing by providing education about SCA and by requiring notification to parents that you can request, at your expense, an electrocardiogram (EKG or ECG) as part of the physical examination to help uncover hidden heart issues that can lead to SCA.

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

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

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

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

#### Why add an ECG/EKG to the physical examination?

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

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

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

Removal from play/return to play

Any student-athlete who has signs or symptoms of SCA must be removed from play (which includes all athletic activity). The symptoms can happen before, during, or after activity.

Before returning to play, the athlete must be evaluated and cleared. Clearance to return to play must be in writing. The evaluation must be performed by a licensed physician, certified registered nurse practitioner, or cardiologist (heart doctor). The licensed physician or certified registered nurse practitioner may consult any other licensed or certified medical professionals.

I have reviewed this form and understand the symptoms and warning signs of SCA. I have also read the information about the electrocardiogram testing and how it may help to detect hidden heart issues.

		Date//
Signature of Student-Athlete	Print Student-Athlete's Name	
		Date//
Signature of Parent/Guardian	Print Parent/Guardian's Name	

Student's Name	Age	Grade	for 20	20
_	·			School Year

## SECTION 5: HEALTH HISTORY

	olain "Yes" answers a							
Circ	cle questions you dor	1't know the answe	rs to. Yes	No			Yes	No
1.	Has a doctor ever den				23.	Has a doctor ever told you that you have		
2.	participation in sport(s) for Do you have an ongoing the contraction of the contraction o		_	_	24.	asthma or allergies?  Do you cough, wheeze, or have difficulty	_	
	(like asthma or diabetes)	?				breathing DURING or AFTER exercise?		
3.	Are you currently takir nonprescription (over-the				25.	Is there anyone in your family who has asthma?		
	or pills?	counter) medicines	_	_	26.	Have you ever used an inhaler or taken		
4.	Do you have allergies pollens, foods, or stinging				27.	asthma medicine?  Were you born without or are your missing	_	_
5.	Have you ever passed	•			21.	a kidney, an eye, a testicle, or any other		
c	passed out DURING exe			_	28.	organ?		
6.	Have you ever passed passed out AFTER exerc				20.	Have you had infectious mononucleosis (mono) within the last month?		
7.	Have you ever had dis				29.	Do you have any rashes, pressure sores,		
8.	pressure in your chest d Does your heart race		_	_	30.	or other skin problems?  Have you ever had a herpes skin		
^	exercise?					infection?		
9.	Has a doctor ever told (check all that apply):	you that you have			31.	NCUSSION OR TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY Have you ever had a concussion (i.e. bell		
	High blood pressure	☐ Heart murmur				rung, ding, head rush) or traumatic brain		
	High cholesterol 🗖 Heart				32.	injury?  Have you been hit in the head and been		
10.	Has a doctor ever order	ered a test for your			02.	confused or lost your memory?		
11.	heart? (for example ECG Has anyone in your fa			_	33.	Do you experience dizziness and/or headaches with exercise?		
	apparent reason?	•		Ц	34.	Have you ever had a seizure?		
12.	Does anyone in your f problem?	family have a heart			35.	Have you ever had numbness, tingling, or		
13.	Has any family member	er or relative been	_	_		weakness in your arms or legs after being hit or falling?		
	disabled from heart disea problems or sudden deat			Ц	36.	Have you ever been unable to move your		
14.	Does anyone in your f				27	arms or legs after being hit or falling?	_	_
15.	Syndrome? Have you ever spent t	the night in a	_	_	37.	When exercising in the heat, do you have severe muscle cramps or become ill?		
15.	hospital?	ine mgm m a			38.	Has a doctor told you that you or someone		$\Box$
16.	Have you ever had su	rgery?			_	in your family has sickle cell trait or sickle cell disease?		
17.	Have you ever had an				39.	Have you had any problems with your		
	muscle, or ligament tear, caused you to miss a Pra				40.	eyes or vision?  Do you wear glasses or contact lenses?		
40	If yes, circle affected are				41.	Do you wear protective eyewear, such as	_	
18.	Have you had any bro bones or dislocated joints					goggles or a face shield?		
40	below:	•	_	_	42.	Are you unhappy with your weight?		
19.	Have you had a bone required x-rays, MRI, CT				43.	Are you trying to gain or lose weight?		
	rehabilitation, physical th	erapy, a brace, a			44.	Has anyone recommended you change your weight or eating habits?		
Head	cast, or crutches? If yes  Neck Shoulder Up	, CITCle below: per Elbow Forearm	Hand/	Chest	45.	Do you limit or carefully control what you		П
Uppe	arn r Lower Hip Thi		Fingers Ankle	Foot/	46.	eat?  Do you have any concerns that you would	_	_
back 20.	back Have you ever had a s		_	Toes		like to discuss with a doctor?		
21.	Have you been told th		ш	Ц		NSTRUAL QUESTIONS- IF APPLICABLE		
۷۱.	you had an x-ray for atlan	ntoaxial (neck)			47.	Have you ever had a menstrual period?		
22.	instability?  Do you regularly use a	a hrace or assistive	_	_	48.	How old were you when you had your first menstrual period?		
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					50.	last 12 months?  When was your last menstrual period?		
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Stud	dent's Signature					Date/	_	
I he	reby certify that to the b	est of my knowledge	all of the	inform	nation herein is	true and complete.		
Par	ent's/Guardian's Signa	ture				Date	/	/

# SECTION 6: PIAA COMPREHENSIVE INITIAL PRE-PARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION AND CERTIFICATION OF AUTHORIZED MEDICAL EXAMINER

Must be completed and signed by the Authorized Medical Examiner (AME) performing the herein named student's comprehensive initial pre-participation physical evaluation (CIPPE) and turned in to the Principal, or the Principal's designee, of the student's school.

Student's Name					_ Age	Grade	for 20_	20
Enrolled in			School	Sport(s)				School Year
Height Weight								) RP
If either the brachial artery primary care physician is rec		(BP) or res	ting pulse (RP)	is above the fo	ollowing level	s, further ev	aluation by	y the student's
<b>Age 10-12:</b> BP: >126/82, RF	_			_				
Vision: R 20/ L 20/		ed: YES N	NO (circle one)					
MEDICAL	NORMAL			ABNOR	MAL FINDING	iS 		
Appearance								
Eyes/Ears/Nose/Throat								
Hearing								
Lymph Nodes								
Cardiovascular			nurmur  Femora	•	de aortic coarct	ation		
Cardiopulmonary		-		-				
Lungs								
Abdomen								
Genitourinary (males only)								
Neurological								
Skin								
MUSCULOSKELETAL	NORMAL			ABNOR	MAL FINDING	S		
Neck								
Back								
Shoulder/Arm								
Elbow/Forearm								
Wrist/Hand/Fingers								
Hip/Thigh								
Knee								
Leg/Ankle								
Foot/Toes								
I hereby certify that I have revies student, and, on the basis of suparticipate in Practices, Inter-Sc of the PIAA Comprehensive Initi	ich evaluation and hool Practices, So	the student' crimmages, a	's HEALTH HISTOR' and/or Contests in	Y, certify that, exc	cept as specifie	ed below, the	student is p	hysically fit to
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AME's Name (print/type)						_ License #	<u> </u>	
Address				F	Phone (	)		
AME's Signature		!	MD, DO, PAC, CF	RNP, or SNP (circ	ele one) Certi	fication Date	of CIPPE	/