

INFORMED CONSENT
AWARENESS OF SPORT INJURY RISK
WARNING AND AGREEMENT

By its very nature, competitive athletics can put students in situations in which serious, catastrophic and perhaps fatal accidents could occur.

Students and parents/guardians must assess the risks involved in such participation and make their choice to participate in spite of those risks. No amount of instruction, precaution or supervision will totally eliminate all risk of injury. Just as driving an automobile involves choice of risk, participation in athletics is inherently dangerous. The obligation of parents and students in making this choice to participate cannot be overstated. Emergency and any type of medical services, such as an ambulance, will be used in emergency situations as determined by staff. The child's parents or guardians are responsible for the expense of these services.

By granting permission to your child to participate in athletic competition, a parent/guardian acknowledges that playing or practicing in any sport can be a dangerous activity involving MANY RISKS OF INJURY. Both the athlete and parent must understand that the dangers and risks of playing or practicing include but are not limited to: death, complete or partial paralysis, brain damage, serious injury to virtually all internal organs, bones, joints, ligaments, muscles, tendons and other aspects of the skeletal system and potential impairment to other aspects of the body, general health and well-being.

Because of the dangers of participating in sports, we (parent and player) recognize the importance of following coaches' instructions regarding playing techniques, training, equipment and other team rules, etc. both in competition and practice and agree to obey such instructions.

I understand and acknowledge that participation in these activities is completely voluntary and as such is not required by the District for course credit for completion of graduation requirements.

I understand and acknowledge that in order to participate in these activities, I and my child agree to assume liability and responsibility for any and all potential risks which may be associated with participation in such activities.

I understand, acknowledge, and agree that the District, its employees, officers, agents, or volunteers shall not be liable for any injury/illness suffered by my child which is incident to and/or associated with preparing for and/or participating in this activity.

If any of the foregoing is not completely understood and you have questions, please contact the school athletic director or school administrator for further information. This paper, with signature, will be kept on file with the athletic director. I have read and understand the information above and give my child permission to participate.

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Parent Signature

Date

Student Signature

Date