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Sports – Concussion and Head Injuries

1. Athletic Director or Administrator in Charge of Athletics Duties:
 - A. Updating:

Each Spring, the Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education, shall review any changes that have been made in forms required for concussion and head injury management by consulting with the WIAA or the WIAA website. If there are any updated forms, they will be adopted and used for the upcoming school year and posted on the district website.
 - B. Identifying Sports:

By June 30 of each year, the Athletic Director or administrator in charge will identify competitive sport activities in the district for which compliance with the concussion and head injury policy is required. A list of competitive sports activities and the district's policy and procedure 3551 will be distributed to all coaching staff and volunteers.
2. Coach Training:

All coaches shall undergo training in head injury and concussion management annually by one of the following means: (1) through attendance at a WIAA or similar Clock Hour presentation which uses WIAA guidelines; or (2) by completing WIAA on-line training and signing the fact sheet for coaches.
3. Parent Information Sheet:

A concussion and head injury information sheet shall be signed at the beginning of each sport season and returned by the athlete and the athlete's parent and/or guardian prior to the athlete's initiating practice or competition. This information sheet may be incorporated into the parent permission sheet which allows students to participate in extracurricular athletics.
4. Coach's Responsibility:

A youth athlete who is suspected of sustaining a concussion or head injury in a practice or game shall be immediately removed from play.
5. Return to Play After Concussion or Head Injury

A student athlete who has been removed from play may not return to play until the athlete is evaluated by a licensed health care provider trained in the evaluation and management of concussion and receives written clearance to return to play from that health care provider.

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