May 2022

TO:      PARENTS OF MHSA SPORTS PARTICIPANTS
          LICENSED MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS

FROM:     MARK BECKMAN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

RE:       UPDATED MHSA PRE-PARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EXAM FORM

Article II, Section (3) of the MHSA Handbook requires that a physical exam must be performed for each student in order for that student to be considered eligible for participation in an Association Contest. Physical exams must be completed prior to the first practice. This examination must be certified by a licensed medical professional acting within the scope and limitations of his/her practice. This certification is valid for a period of one school year. A physical examination conducted before May 1st is not valid for participation for the following school year.

The MHSA Executive Board approved some important additions to this form over the years. Specifically, questions concerning the cardiac history and cardiac health of the student (questions 6-15), and an updated section on vaccinations which needs to be complete. This year, two questions have been added regarding COVID-19, if a student has had COVID-19 and the extent of their symptoms (questions 48-49).

This MHSA pre-participation form is the only form that will be allowed for the student’s exam (no other forms will be accepted). The following process should be followed:

- Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s) and each student should fill out the questionnaire and history portion of the form together, which is the front page of the MHSA pre-participation physical examination form.
- The form goes to the medical provider for use during the examination.
- The medical provider reviews the form with the student and parent/guardian, performs the exam and makes the decision on whether to clear the student for participation. A signature from the medical provider is required.
- The student must sign this form confirming that he/she was involved in the completion process.
- The physical exam form is given to the parent/guardian. He/she must sign the permission and release section of the form for final clearance.
- The completed pre-participation physical exam form is given to the appropriate school administrator.

The MHSA is committed to the safety and health of our student activity participants and believes this new form will facilitate that objective.

If you have any questions regarding the updated pre-participation examination form please contact me or Brian Michelotti, MHSA Associate Director.
**MHSA CONFIDENTIAL ATHLETIC PRE-PARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EXAMINATION**

See Montana High School Association, Article II, Section (3), Physical Exam. A physical examination is required for each student in order to be considered eligible for participation in an Association contest. Physical examinations must be completed prior to the first practice. This examination must be certified by a licensed medical professional acting within the scope and limitations of his/her practice. This certification is valid for a period of one school year. **A physical examination conducted before May 1st is not valid for participation for the following school year.** All information is to remain confidential.

**HISTORY** – To be completed by the student and parent(s).

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<th>QUESTIONNAIRE FOR ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION (PLEASE PRINT)</th>
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<td><strong>Parent’s Name</strong></td>
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**Date of last known tetanus shot:**

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**Allergies:**

- Are you allergic to any medicines or nonprescription (over-the-counter) medicines or pills?
- Are you taking medicine for ADHD?
- Do you have allergies to medicines, pollens, foods, or stinging insects?
- Have you ever had an asthma attack?
- Have you ever had a stress fracture?
- Have you ever had a bone or joint surgery?
- Have you ever had a broken or fractured bone, or dislocated joint?
- Have you ever had an injury, like a sprain, muscle or ligament tear or tendonitis that caused you to miss a practice or game?
- Have you ever been told that you have asthma or allergies?
- Has you been told that you have or have you had an x-ray for atlantoaxial (neck) instability?
- Do you regularly use a brace or assistive device?
- Has a doctor ever told you that you have asthma or allergies?

**Explain “Yes” answers below. Circle questions to which you don’t know the answer.**

1. Has a doctor ever denied or restricted your participation in sports for any reason?  
2. Do you have an ongoing medical condition (like diabetes or asthma)?  
3. Are you currently taking any prescription or nonprescription (over-the-counter) medicines or pills?  
4. Are you taking medicine for ADHD?  
5. Do you have allergies to medicines, pollens, foods, or stinging insects?  
6. Have you ever passed out or nearly passed out DURING exercise?  
7. Have you ever passed out or nearly passed out AFTER exercise?  
8. Have you ever had discomfort, pain, or pressure in your chest during exercise?  
9. Does your heart race or skip beats during exercise?  
10. Has a doctor ever told you that you have (circle all that apply): High blood pressure | A heart murmur | High cholesterol | A heart infection  
11. Has a doctor ever ordered a test for your heart? (for example, ECG, echocardiogram)  
12. Has anyone in your family died for no apparent reason?  
13. Does anyone in your family have a heart problem?  
14. Has any family member or relative died of heart problems or of sudden death before age 50?  
15. Does anyone in your family have Marfan syndrome?  
16. Have you ever spent the night in a hospital?  
17. Have you ever had surgery?  
18. Have you ever had an injury, like a sprain, muscle or ligament tear or tendonitis that caused you to miss a practice or game? If yes, circle affected area below:  
19. Have you had any broken or fractured bones, or dislocated joints? If yes, circle below:  
20. Have you had a bone or joint injury that required x-rays, MRI, CT, surgery, injections, rehabilitation, physical therapy, a brace, a cast, or crutches? If yes, circle below:  

**Yes** | **No** | **Explain “Yes” answers here:**

21. Have you ever had a stress fracture?  
22. Have you been told that you have or have you had an x-ray for atlantoaxial (neck) instability?  
23. Do you regularly use a brace or assistive device?  
24. Has a doctor ever told you that you have asthma or allergies?  

**COVID-19 ADDENDUM**

48. Have you ever been diagnosed with or suspected you had COVID-19?  
49. Have you ever been hospitalized due to COVID-19 or diagnosed with MIS-C?

**FEMALES ONLY**

50. Have you ever had a menstrual period?
51. How old were you when you had your first menstrual period?
52. How many periods have you had in the last year?

**Explain “Yes” answers here:**

**Allergies:**

**Required for School** and **Recommended Immunizations:** (please check if student is up-to-date):  
- [ ] Hepatitis A  
- [ ] Hepatitis B  
- [ ] Human Papillomavirus (HPV)  
- [ ] Influenza  
- [ ] Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)*  
- [ ] Meningococcal  
- [ ] Polio*  
- [ ] Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis (Tdap)*  
- [ ] Varicella (Chickenpox)*

**Date of last known tetanus shot (Tdap):**
PROVIDER'S PHYSICAL EXAMINATION FORM

Name ____________________________________________________

Date of Birth _______________________

Height __________________ Weight ______________

Pulse __________ BP: Left Arm _______/_______ Right Arm _______/_______

Vision R 20/_______ L 20/_______ Corrected: Y N

Pupils: Equal _______ Unequal _______

NORMAL |
| ABNORMAL FINDINGS |
| INITIALS* |
| Appearance |
| Eyes/ears/nose/throat |
| Hearing |
| Lymph nodes |
| Heart |
| Murmurs |
| Pulses |
| Lungs |
| Abdomen |
| Hernia |
| Skin |
| MUSCULOSKELETAL |
| Neck |
| Back |
| Shoulder/arm |
| Elbow/forearm |
| Wrist/hands/fingers |
| Hip/thigh |
| Knee |
| Leg/ankle |
| Foot/toes |

*Multiple examiner set-up only.

Notes: _______________________________________________________________________________________

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CLEARANCE

Typed or printed name of Student ____________________________ Signature of Student __________________________

☐ Cleared without restriction

☐ Cleared with recommendations for further evaluation or treatment for:

_____________________________________________________________________________________________________

☐ Not cleared for ☐ All sports ☐ Certain sports ____________________________ Reason: __________________________

Recommendations: _______________________________________________________________________________________

_____________________________________________________________________________________________________

Name of physician/medical provider [print or type] ____________________________ Date __________________________

Address ____________________________ Phone __________________________

Signature of physician/medical provider ____________________________

PARENT’S OR GUARDIAN’S PERMISSION AND RELEASE

I certify that the information provided by the student/parent(s) is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I hereby give my consent for the above student to engage in approved athletic activities as a representative of his/her school, except those indicated above by the licensed professional. I also give my permission for the team physician, athletic trainer, or other qualified personnel to have access to information provided here as well as to give first aid treatment to this student at an athletic event in case of injury. If emergency service involving medical action or treatment is required and the parents(s) or guardian(s) cannot be contacted, I hereby consent for the student named above to be given medical care by the doctor or hospital selected by the school.

Typed or printed name of parent or guardian ____________________________ Signature of parent or guardian ____________________________

Date ____________________________ Address ____________________________ Insurance (Company name) ____________________________

Parent’s Home Phone ____________________________ Parent’s Work Phone ____________________________ Parent’s Cell Phone ____________________________ Additional Phone (if any-specify) ____________________________

ALL INFORMATION IS TO REMAIN CONFIDENTIAL

(Updated 4/21)