

## **PARENTAL NOTICE FOR ATHLETICS**

New York Mills Union Free School District  
Junior-Senior High School  
1 Marauder Blvd., New York Mills, NY 13417

Dear Parent or Guardian:

Your child has expressed a desire to participate in our interscholastic athletics program. It is important that you and your child understand the goals of the program and agree to abide by the rules established by the district for the benefit of those who participate both as players and as students.

1. Interscholastic sports are a part of a broad extracurricular program designed to teach students certain skills and reinforce concepts of self-worth, cooperative effort (teamwork) and ethical decision making (sportsmanship).
2. All participants must have a current physical exam on file with the school nurse prior to their participation in their first practice. Please consult your physician regarding your child's protection against tetanus. If there is a question about your child's eligibility for physical reasons, it will be discussed with you.
3. While the coaching staff and other responsible school officials will do everything within reason to protect your child against injury, including the provision for appropriate equipment, safe facilities and training designed to reduce the impact of accidents, injuries will occur and on a very rare occasion may be serious and disabling. If you are concerned about this possibility you should discuss it with your child's coach.
4. School insurance for the medical treatment of sport related injuries is applicable only after the parents' health insurance, if any, has been used. It is scheduled, excess coverage and generally will not pay the full cost of treatment. The cost of medical benefit insurance on a first dollar basis would be so costly as to effectively eliminate the program.
5. Within the first three team meetings the coach will explain the attendance and training rules as well as eligibility rules for participation. In addition to the strict observance of these rules, your child will be expected to continue to meet all regular school obligations of citizenship and academic achievement.

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- 6. Not all students who wish to participate in interscholastic athletics may be able to do so. The size of a team is necessarily limited by the availability of supplies, equipment and coaching staff. Cuts will be made, when necessary, on the basis of skill development, readiness for competition and observance of the rules.
- 7. School equipment issued to your child for participation is his or her responsibility and must be returned promptly upon request. Reimbursement from the student will be expected for loss or destruction beyond ordinary wear and tear.

We hope your child will have a successful and rewarding athletic experience. Your support and encouragement of your child will contribute to that success.

I have read the information in the above letter and understand both the risks of injury to, and the responsibilities of my child while participating in the interscholastic athletic program.

I hereby give my consent for \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in contests and practices related to \_\_\_\_\_ during the present school year.

*(Student Name - Please Print)*

*(sport or activity)*

I agree to abide by Jr. - Sr. High School Extra Curricular Policy 7101 and Code of Conduct, Policy #1030. I also understand that I will be required to abide by team or organization, school and applicable association rules in order to maintain my eligibility to participate in extracurricular activities. I understand that failure to abide by the above rules and policies may result in my ineligibility.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Phone: \_\_\_\_\_