



# Handbook

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# Philosophy of Waterloo Athletics

The Waterloo Board of Education believes that interscholastic athletic involvement/participation in extracurricular activities is an integral part of graduating from the Waterloo Central School District with a well-rounded education. Involvement in athletics activities helps form a connection between the student and the school community. Participation in interscholastic athletics is a privilege and carries with it responsibilities to self, school, and community.

Our **Mission**: We put kids first every day. We support each student on a personalized journey to realize their goals. Our caring community develops learners and leaders.

Our **Vision**: All Students. All Staff. One Family.

All students involved in interscholastic athletics need to abide by expectations in *NYSPPHSAA's (New York State Public High School Athletic Association) Code of Ethics*. In addition, all students participating in athletics will follow the *Waterloo Central School District Code of Conduct* and the specific guidelines outlined within the *Waterloo Athletics Handbook* as well as the Waterloo High School or Waterloo Middle School Student Handbook. Students are subject to consequences imposed as a result of any violation and may also be subject to discipline or consequences under the District's Code of Conduct.

## ***Modified/Modified A***

The Modified/Modified A level of athletic competition focuses on the fundamentals of the game and team play. At this level, student-athletes should learn basic skills, rules, and obtain an introduction to the goals of the sport program. Academics, sportsmanship, and social growth along with commitment and dedication are key elements student-athletes will focus on at this level. A smaller emphasis is placed on winning and maximum participation is desired.

## ***Junior Varsity***

The Junior Varsity level of athletic competition places an increased emphasis upon team play, physical conditioning, and refinement of basic sport skills. The goal of this level of competition is to prepare student-athletes for the varsity level. Student-athletes should be taught how to cope with game situations and how to win and lose properly. An attempt should be made to play all participants, however equal play is not necessary in each game.

## ***Varsity***

The Varsity level of athletic competitions is the culmination of each sport's program. At the varsity level of competition, team play, sportsmanship, individual physical ability, motivation, and mental attitude are very important. The goal at the varsity level is to be competitive and prepare to win. Student-athletes will be taught life-long lessons through situations that arise throughout the season. A continued emphasis on academics, sportsmanship, and community service is to be expected at this level. It is to be understood that dedication and commitment is needed to participate on a varsity team.

# Philosophy of Athletic Participation

Interscholastic athletic participation involves regular attendance at practices/contests, communicating with coach(s) when you are unable to attend, and taking part in community service, fundraising, and events/competitions as applicable. The goal of interscholastic athletics is to allow students to pursue varied interests and to become a well-rounded individual who contributes to their community. An emphasis on academics, community service, and involvement is expected. Dedication and commitment are needed to participate in interscholastic athletics.

# **NYSPHSAA** (New York State Public High School Athletic Association)

## **Code of Ethics**

It is the duty of all concerned...

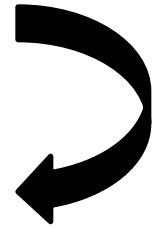
1. To emphasize the proper ideals of sportsmanship, ethical conduct and fair play.
2. To eliminate all possibilities which tend to destroy the best values of the game.
3. To stress the values derived from playing the game fairly.
4. To show cordial courtesy to visiting teams and officials.
5. To establish a happy relationship between visitors and hosts.
6. To respect the integrity and judgment of the sports officials.
7. To achieve a thorough understanding and acceptance of the rules of the game and standards of eligibility.
8. To encourage leadership, use of incentive, and good judgment by the players on the team.
9. To recognize that the purpose of athletics is to promote the physical, mental, moral, social, and emotional well-being of the individual players.
10. To remember that an athletic contest is only a game. . . not a matter of life or death for player, coach, school, official, fan, community, state or nation.



The New York State Public High School Athletic Association requires officials to enforce all sportsmanship rules for athletes and coaches. We will not tolerate negative statements or actions between opposing players, especially trash-talking, taunting or baiting of opponents, including racial or discriminatory comments or slurs. If such comments are heard or actions seen, a penalty will be assessed immediately. We have been instructed not to issue warnings. Let today's contest reflect mutual respect.

# Waterloo Athletic Communication Path

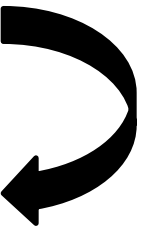
1. Student-Athlete to Head Coach...if not resolved then



2. Parent(s) to Head Coach...if not resolved then



3. Parent(s) to Director of Health, PE & Athletics...if not resolved then



4. Parent(s) to Superintendent of Schools

# **Waterloo Central School District**

## **Code of Conduct**

The Board of Education has a long-standing set of expectations for conduct on school property and at school functions. The Board is committed to providing a safe and orderly school environment where staff, parent/guardians and administrators work to deliver personalized, quality educational services to students without disruption or interference.

The main objective of the school is education in all forms. Students, staff, teachers, administrators and parent/guardians should work to provide an environment where problems can be initially settled by using cooperatively developed and agreed upon procedures for the benefit of the entire school community. The foundation for building this environment is the principles of civility, mutual respect, citizenship, character, tolerance, honesty and integrity.

The Board of Education recognizes the need to clearly define the expectations for acceptable conduct on school property, identify the possible consequences of unacceptable conduct and to ensure that discipline, when necessary, is administered promptly and fairly. To this end, the Board adopts this Code of Conduct.

In accordance with the Dignity for All Students Act, School District policy and practice must ensure that no student is subject to discrimination or harassment, based on a person's actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender/gender identity or sex by school employees or students on school property, on a school bus, or at a school function.

**Code of Conduct can be accessed on our Waterloo CSD Website:  
[www. waterloocsd.org](http://www.waterloocsd.org)**

# DASA Policy

The Waterloo Central School District will not tolerate incidents of discrimination, intimidation, taunting, harassment, or bullying on school property, a school bus and/or at a school function by students and/or school employees. The New York State Dignity for All Students Act (Dignity Act) was signed into law on Sept. 13, 2010, and became effective July 1, 2012. This legislation amended State Education Law by creating a new Article 2 - Dignity for All Students. The Dignity Act states that NO student shall be subjected to harassment, including bullying and cyberbullying, and/or discrimination by employees or students on school property or at a school function based on their actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender, or sex.

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The Waterloo Central School District affirms that no person shall be subjected to discrimination, denied benefits, or excluded from participation in employment or in any educational program or activity on the basis of age, gender, sexual orientation, race, color, ethnicity, religion, creed, national origin, marital status, disability, or on any other basis in accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title IX, Title IV, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and other federal or state laws. The Waterloo Central School District provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups.

The Waterloo Central School District encourages students, parents, staff, and community members to report any harassing, bullying, abusive, or unsafe behavior as soon as possible to a school district official, or when appropriate, to law enforcement. The Waterloo Central School District also prohibits all harassing conduct based on gender, race, sexual orientation, or any other status protected by state or federal law. The Waterloo Central School District considers harassing conduct to be an abuse contrary to the high moral ethical standards of an educational institution.

Harassing conduct generally consists of subjecting an individual, on the basis of his/her membership in a protected class, to conduct and/or communications that are sufficiently severe, pervasive, or persistent as to have the purpose or effect of: creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive environment; substantially or unreasonably interfering with an individual's work or a student's educational performance, opportunities, benefits, or well-being; or otherwise adversely affecting an individual's employment or educational opportunities.

Harassing conduct can include unwelcome verbal, written, or physical conduct which offends, denigrates, or belittles an individual because of his/her membership in a protected class. Such conduct includes, but is not limited to, derogatory remarks, jokes, demeaning comments or behavior, slurs, mimicking, name-calling, graffiti, innuendo, gestures, physical contact, stalking, threatening, bullying, extorting, or the display or circulation of written materials or pictures.

The Waterloo Central School District will not tolerate the use of a position of authority to obtain sexual favors in supervisor/employee or faculty/student relationships. Neither will it condone expressions or actions by any person affiliated with the School District that in any manner constitute sexually harassing conduct, including student-to-student harassment. Attempts to suppress the report of such actions or to retaliate for the presentation of a report will be considered in the same light as the offending behavior.

**Dignity For all Students Act (DASA): <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/dignityact/>**

# Waterloo Athletics Behavior Expectations

At Waterloo CSD, it is the expectation that all student-athletes always exemplify good citizenship and behavior both in and out of school. The Director of Health, PE & Athletics, or designee (District/Building Level Administrator) and/or respective coach(s) may remove a student-athlete from participation based on:

1. Insubordination...refusing to follow expectations set forth for interscholastic athletics.
2. Repeated academic ineligibility and/or academic dishonesty (please note WMS/WHS policy).
3. Cutting practices/games/meetings/competitions/community events.
4. Criminal activity whether a school or civic matter . . . please note that students arrested for any felony activity will be immediately suspended from athletic participation until the court has made a determination on the arrest. Students arrested for misdemeanor or lesser activity outside of the school day and not during any school activity shall be dealt with by the court system, not by Waterloo Central School District. This does not include violations of the training rules in the use of alcohol, tobacco, vaping or drugs.
5. Behavior unbecoming a Waterloo student... Offenses of this nature will be evaluated on an individual basis and may result in suspension or removal from the athletic program, as determined by the Director of Health, PE and Athletics and the respective school principal. Alcohol and drug-related offenses that result in police involvement may also be treated as “behavior unbecoming a Waterloo student” and may result in consequences more than those outlined in the Waterloo Central School District Code of Conduct.
6. Violation of the NYSPHSAA’s Sportsmanship stance stated earlier and/or Section V Sportsmanship Motto to “Be Loud, Be Proud, Be Positive” which includes being disqualified from a contest.
7. Bullying, Hazing, Fighting...
8. Vandalism, stealing...
9. Using social media in a negative tone.

*Please note that student-athletes who are suspended from participating will continue to support their teammates by attending all competitions/events. Athletes must be dressed in their respective team uniform. Competitions that the student does not attend will not count as competitions that served toward a suspension unless there is administrative approval for another plan.*



# Training Rule Violation

Use of steroids, enhancing food supplements, alcohol, smoking, chewing tobacco, vaping, zynning, e-cigarettes, and controlled substances as defined by Board of Education Policy is prohibited.

The following policy is not only meant as a deterrent for Waterloo students but is being implemented to incorporate a rehabilitative plan to help students at risk. If a student is reported to be using or in possession of the above, they will be subject to a conference with the Director of Health, PE & Athletics, and the coach(s) of the particular sport. If the evidence shows that a student has broken a training rule, rules will be enforced as explained in the *Waterloo Athletic Handbook*.

Any student hosting a party with alcohol and/or illegal drugs present will be treated as an offender of the training rules. Any student attending the party where alcohol and/or illegal drugs are being used by anyone underage will be guilty by association.

These disciplinary procedures refer to infractions related to alcohol, tobacco products, and other illegal drugs. They refer to every student while they are registered in interscholastic athletics in grades 7-12.



# **Referral from School Administration or Investigating Law Enforcement**

## **First Violation:**

- 1. See category for each respective sport.**
2. Student-athlete must participate in all practices but cannot participate in the contests.
3. Student-athlete must be in uniform attending contests during the suspension, supporting their team.
4. The student-athlete forfeits all awards or league nominations received as a result of the sport.
5. The student-athlete may still receive their letter.
6. A re-entry meeting will take place with the administration and the respective coach will be updated.

## **Second Violation:**

- 1. See category for each respective sport.**
2. Student-athlete must participate in all practices but cannot participate in the contests.
3. Student-athlete must be in uniform attending contests during the suspension, supporting their team.
4. Student-athlete may be referred to a drug/alcohol program if applicable. Administration will consult with the school counselor and/or respective mental health staff before releasing the student to participate in athletic contests.
5. The student-athlete forfeits all awards or league nominations received as a result of the sport.
6. A re-entry meeting must be held with the Superintendent of Schools, Director of Health, PE & Athletics if applicable, and building administration before permission to resume participation is granted.

## **Third Violation:**

1. Suspension for the remainder of their athletic eligibility.
2. The student-athlete may appeal one year from the date of the third offense.

# **Violations will result in the following:**

**Category A:** Teams that participate in up to 5 contests

1<sup>st</sup> Violation – loss of 1 contest

2<sup>nd</sup> Violation – loss of 2 contests

3<sup>rd</sup> Violation – remainder of the athletic eligibility

**Category B:** Teams that participate in up to 10 contests

1<sup>st</sup> Violation – loss of 2 contests

2<sup>nd</sup> Violation – loss of 4 contests

3<sup>rd</sup> Violation – remainder of the athletic eligibility

**Category C:** Teams that participate in up to 11-15 contests

1<sup>st</sup> Violation – loss of 3 contests

2<sup>nd</sup> Violation – loss of 6 contests

3<sup>rd</sup> Violation – remainder of the athletic eligibility

**Category D:** Teams that play up to 16-20 contests

1<sup>st</sup> Violation – loss of 4 contests

2<sup>nd</sup> Violation – loss of 8 contests

3<sup>rd</sup> Violation – remainder of the athletic eligibility

**Category E:** Teams that play up to 21-24 contests

1<sup>st</sup> Violation – loss of 5 contests

2<sup>nd</sup> Violation – loss of 10 contests

3<sup>rd</sup> Violation – remainder of the athletic eligibility

*Please note that a carryover of violations would go into the next complete season and scrimmages do not count.*

# **Waterloo Athletics Appeal Process**

A student-athlete along with their parent(s) shall be given notice of a decision to suspend and/or remove them from the team and the reason(s) for such suspension. The student-athlete and their parent(s) will be given the opportunity to request an informal conference with the suspending authority within 24 hours of the decision to suspend to allow the student to discuss the conduct and penalty as required by law.

Appeals may be made in writing to the Director of Health, PE & Athletics then shared with a review council within two weeks of the original notice of the decision or after a third violation offense.

The purpose of the review council is to rule on all appeals that deal with infractions of interscholastic athletic or extracurricular standards.

The review council will include at a minimum: administration, counselor(s), teacher(s), and coach/advisor(s). The student may be asked to attend the meeting.

The decision of the review council may be appealed to the Director of Health, PE and Athletics or respective building principal. Next that decision may be appealed to the Superintendent of Schools with final appeal resting with the Board of Education.

## **Carry-Over**

Regarding athletics, if the duration of the consequence extends beyond the end of the current season, it will carry over to the next season in which the student-athlete participates. It will not impact the tryout period for the next season.

## **Quitting a team**

In order to participate in another sport, any student-athlete quitting a team during the season must be given the opportunity to have an exit interview with the Director of Health, PE & Athletics. It is expected that the student-athlete will send an email explaining that they have quit the team then the Athletic Office will set up an exit interview. If the student-athlete decides they do not want to have an exit interview they will be asked to provide in writing why they have removed themselves. All issued equipment and uniforms must be turned in at the exit interview if not beforehand. It will be expected to reimburse the school for any items that are lost or not returned.

# Academic Eligibility

Waterloo Middle School and Waterloo High School students are considered ineligible for athletics and extracurricular activities if they are failing TWO or more classes at the interim period or at the end of the marking period.

## **When a student is ineligible, they may:**

- ✓ Practice, but not participate in interscholastic athletic contests.
- ✓ Practice, but not participate in any performing art performances unless a grade is attached. Attend school dances and extracurricular activities (athletic contests/concerts/play/musical/art show) as a spectator.

## **Other considerations for students deemed ineligible:**

- ✓ Grades considered failures are below 65%.
- ✓ Incompletes may result in ineligibility unless otherwise determined by administration.
- ✓ Students may not participate in after school clubs/activities until passing.
- ✓ Students that are ineligible should create an after-school schedule with their respective school counselor at WMS or WHS to obtain extra help with classes they are failing.
- ✓ Appeals not granted.

## **If failing two or more classes at the interim report (issued after the 5<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 35<sup>th</sup> week mark), the student will be ineligible:**

- ✓ Students can request that their eligibility be restored once they show that their average is not lower than a 65% in more than one class. They must submit an updated grade sheet to include with their *Eligibility Academic Progress* sheet.

## **If failing two or more classes at the end of the marking period (issued after 10<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, and 30<sup>th</sup> week mark), the student will be ineligible:**

- ✓ They are ineligible for a **minimum of ten school days**. After ten school days, the student can request that their eligibility be restored once they show that their average is not lower than a 65% in more than one class. They must submit an updated grade sheet to include with their *Eligibility Academic Progress* sheet.

Once a student is ineligible, they must have an *Eligibility Academic Progress* sheet signed by all of their teachers if they wish to have eligibility restored. *Eligibility Academic Progress* sheets will be available in the Waterloo Middle School Main Office/Counseling Office, Waterloo High School Main Office/Counseling Office, and the Athletic Office. In order to regain eligibility, a student's average must not be lower than a 65% in more than one class. The *Eligibility Academic Progress* sheet must be signed by a school administrator who will then reinstate eligibility and notify the necessary faculty/staff/coach/advisor(s).

# Medical Information



New York State Education Department (NYSED) mandates that every student athlete has an annual physical within 12 months prior to the start of practice and be on file at the school. If your child has not had a physical in the past 12 months, please contact their PCP (Primary Care Physician) now to schedule an appointment prior to the first day of practice, then ensure a copy is sent to the school. Your PCP should be the provider who sees your child for their annual physical, there may be important items they need to discuss such as medications, lab work and/or immunizations.

Any HS or MS student who was not able to fully participate in PE (Physical Education) or Waterloo Interscholastic Athletics at the end of 2023-2024 school year requires documentation from the respective doctor showing that they are fully cleared to play with NO limitations.

Link: <https://www.p12.nysed.gov/sss/documents/school-health-examinations.pdf>

## NYSED's Athletic Placement Process (APP)

### *APP Link:*

<http://www.p12.nysed.gov/sss/documents/AthleticPlacementProcess12-11-17FINALRevised.pdf>

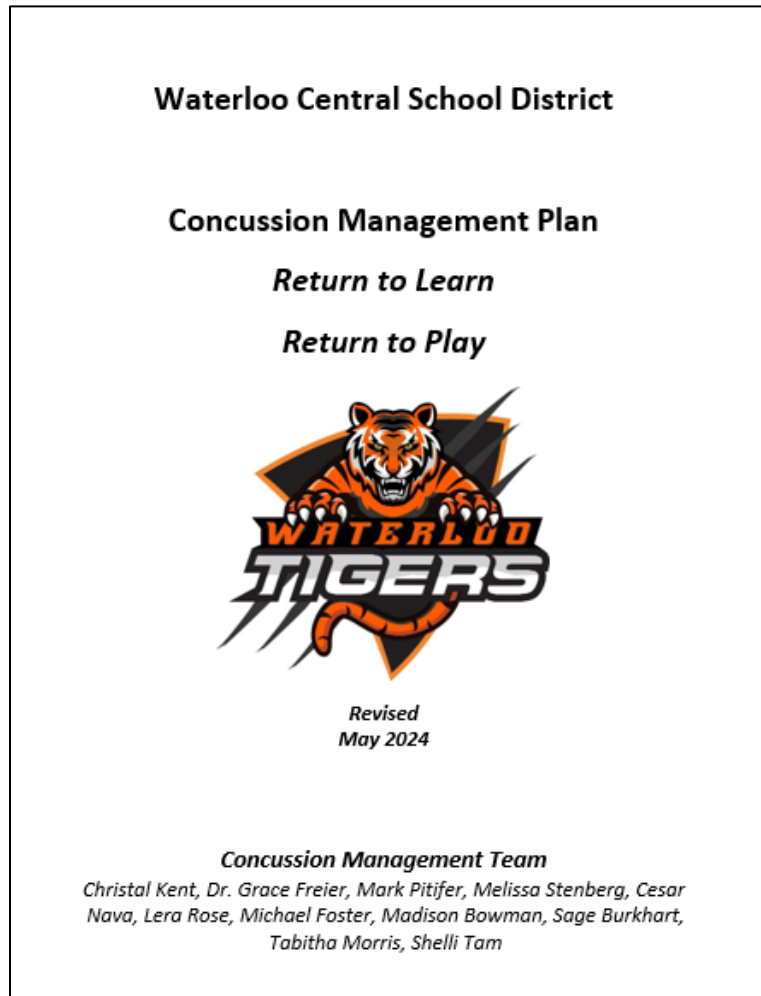
### *Frequently Asked Questions:*

<http://www.nysed.gov/common/nysed/files/programs/curriculum-instruction/faq-athleticplacementprocessforinterschoolathleticprograms4-23-15.docx.pdf>

## NYSED's Dominic Murray Sudden Cardiac Arrest Prevention Act:

Link: <https://www.p12.nysed.gov/sss/documents/MemoSCA.pdf>

# Waterloo Central School District Concussion Management Plan



*Please note that all student-athletes and parent(s) must consent electronically on ArbiterSports (formerly FamilyID) when registering to play a Fall/ Winter/ Spring sport stating they have reviewed the Waterloo CSD Concussion Management Plan. In addition, all families in grades 6-12 will be mailed a copy before the start of the 2024-2025 school year.*

## **Waterloo CSD Concussion Management Plan:**

[District Plans - Waterloo Central School District \(waterloocsd.org\)](https://www.waterloocsd.org/district-plans)

## **NFHS Concussion Link:**

<https://nfhslearn.com/courses/concussion-in-sports-2>

## **CDC Heads Up Link:**

<https://www.cdc.gov/heads-up/>

# School Attendance

Student-athlete must be in school at least half of the school day. They must be present for at least four periods and legally excused. Athletics is an extension of PE (Physical Education). Student-athletes who do not participate or are unprepared for PE will not be eligible for interscholastic athletics that day. Each team member is expected to be present at every practice session including practice sessions scheduled during vacation periods unless legally excused from school or personally excused by the coach. Team members who “cut” a practice session can expect disciplinary action. Tardiness will not be tolerated, but a late arrival pass from a teacher who is giving academic assistance is acceptable and should be presented to the coach.



## Suspensions

Out of school Suspension (OSS) - If a student-athlete receives OSS, they are ineligible for their practice/contest the day(s) they are serving their suspension. They may not attend the practice/contest.

In School Suspension (ISS) - If a student-athlete receives a partial or full day ISS, they are ineligible for their practice/contest the day(s) they are serving their suspension. They may not attend the practice/contest.

## Dual Participation

Upon request two weeks before a season, student-athletes are expected to contact the Director of Health, PE & Athletics for the following process/application:

 <i>With the approval of Section V and the FLHSAA (Finger Lakes High School Athletic Association) Waterloo CSD will offer Dual Participation again for the 2024-2025 school year.</i> <i>Waterloo High School student-athletes may be allowed to participate on more than one sport team during the same season if they meet the requirements of each sport program.</i> <b>Waterloo CSD Dual Participation Process</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Director of Health, PE &amp; Athletics shares out the Dual Participation Process with all students in grades 9-12, coaching staff, and administration. No APP's (Athletic Placement Process) will be granted meaning student-athletes who are playing up on a JV/Varsity team as a 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grader.</li><li>2. Student-athlete emails the Director of Health, PE &amp; Athletics requesting a <i>Dual Participation</i> application and returns it completed at least two weeks before the season begins.</li><li>3. The Director of Health, PE &amp; Athletics will review the application to determine if it is possible based on safety and scheduling conflicts with the two sports.</li><li>4. The Director of Health, PE &amp; Athletics will review the student-athlete's academic and disciplinary record with building level administration. In addition, the respective school counselor will have an opportunity to give input.</li><li>5. The Director of Health, PE &amp; Athletics will then ask each Head Coach for their input on the student-athletes' request for Dual Participation.</li><li>6. If the coaching staff for each respective program agree to work together then the student-athlete, a parent/guardian, athletic administrator and both coaches will meet to develop a plan of how it will work with expectations. Please note if Head Coaches are not in agreement, the request will be denied.</li><li>7. If the request is granted and the Code of Conduct is violated at any time, the student-athlete will serve the consequences for both sports.</li><li>8. If the student-athlete is removed from a team due to disciplinary reasons, they will also be removed from any other team they are participating on.</li><li>9. Throughout the season, it will be an expectation to have bi-weekly check-ins.</li></ol>	 <b>Dual Participation Application</b> Waterloo Student-Athlete: _____ Grade _____  Primary Sport: _____ Head Coach Signature _____ Date _____  Secondary Sport: _____ Head Coach Signature _____ Date _____  <i>Dual Participation request reasoning/explanation typed in a paragraph form, completed by the student-athlete, and handed in with the application.</i>  _____ Student-Athlete Signature _____ Date _____  _____ Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____  _____ Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____  _____ Director of Health, PE & Athletics Signature _____ Date _____  <small>Cc: WHS Principal, WHS School Counselor, Primary Sport Head Coach, Secondary Sport Head Coach, Parent(s), Athletic Trainer, WHS School Nurse, and Student-Athlete.</small>
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# Transportation

All Waterloo student-athletes are expected to travel to and from contests by means of the transportation provided or organized by Waterloo Central School District. The only exception to this rule is by turning in the *Alternate Transportation Agreement* to the Director of Health, PE and Athletics at least 24 hours in advance. Only SchoolTool emergency contacts are approved to transport student-athletes once the process is followed. All coaches have copies of the form, or you can contact the Athletic Office. In addition, it is located on the Waterloo CSD website under "Athletics".

## WATERLOO CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT



### *Alternate Transportation Agreement*

Student-Athlete Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Sport: \_\_\_\_\_ Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Coach's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Athletic Contest Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Athletic Contest Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Direction of Alternate Transportation: \_\_\_\_\_ "to" the Athletic Contest

\_\_\_\_\_ "from" the Athletic Contest

Reason for requesting Alternate Transportation: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Driver: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance Carrier/Info: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please attach a copy of your Driver's License

*I hereby claim that the above-named driver will be the only driver of the vehicle during the transport of the above student- athlete to the aforementioned athletic contest.*

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

Waterloo Athletic Office Approval: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*This request must be delivered to the Director of Health, PE & Athletics, Christal Kent, at Waterloo High School, or by email to [christal.kent@waterloocsd.org](mailto:christal.kent@waterloocsd.org), at least 24 hours before the athletic contest unless there is an extenuating circumstance.*

# Injuries

All injuries should be reported immediately to the head coach, and they will then fill out a "Student/Visitor Incident Report" and return to the Director of Health, PE and Athletics within 24 hours for athletics. Coaches are expected to inform parents/guardians immediately either verbally or in writing. If a doctor removes a student-athlete from interscholastic participation, they must be cleared by the respective doctor before being able to return to participation in athletics.

STUDENT/VISITOR INCIDENT REPORT	
School District: _____	School Name: _____
Student Name: _____	Date: ____/____/____ Time: ____ (am/pm)
Home Address/Telephone: _____ Street City, State, Zip	DOB ____/____/____
Description of Location: _____	Grade: _____
ALLEGED INCIDENT INFORMATION	
Reported By: _____	Date: ____/____/____ Time am/pm: ____
(am/pm) Describe How the Alleged Incident Occurred: _____ _____	
Person Supervising Student: _____	
Please Describe Alleged Injury (include part of body): _____	
Name/Address/Telephone of any witnesses (Please indicate if none): _____	
Was first aid rendered? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	If Yes, by whom/date/time: _____
Did student remain in school remainder of day/activity? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	If Yes, by whom/date/time: _____
Did student receive medical attention by a doctor or hospital? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	If Yes, describe medical attention. If unknown, please state: _____ _____
Name/Address/Telephone # of physician or hospital: _____	
EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION	
Person Contacted/Relationship: _____	
Address: _____	Telephone: _____
Contacted by: _____	Date: ____/____/____ Time (am/pm): _____
If Emergency Contact Was Not Contacted, Please State Reason: _____	
Completed by Name: _____ Date ____/____/____ Title: _____	
Reviewed by Name: _____ Date ____/____/____ Title: _____	

# **Social Media**

Throughout the school year, photographs or videotapes may be taken of students by staff members or pre-approved professionals for use in school and district publications, social media, videos, and web pages. To comply with New York State Education Law 2D on Data Privacy, if you do NOT wish for your child's image to be used, please indicate this in writing before each season (Fall/Winter/Spring) to the Director of Health, PE & Athletics in addition to the respective Building Principal. Students are not allowed to take photographs on school property without prior permission from a staff member.

## **The Role of Club Sports**

At Waterloo, we encourage our students to participate in a variety of activities. We want our student-athletes to play multiple sports. It is good for our student-athletes and necessary for our school to maintain enough members on each of our teams. However, student-athletes who play multiple sports annually often find themselves pulled in many directions by their coaches, both from within the district and from community-based teams, and by their personal interests. We believe an in-season student-athlete needs to be fully committed to their team. All coaches want their student-athletes to be dedicated and focused on the current sport that they are playing.

Student-athletes are encouraged and welcome to participate in club sports or travel teams whenever it does not interfere with their in-sport season. We do expect our student-athletes to be committed first and foremost to the in-season sport they are participating in at Waterloo Central School District.

Coaches certainly try to work with their student-athletes to accommodate all sorts of activities, but when student-athletes miss practices or games due to participation in another sport or with another team, they should expect a logical consequence, particularly a loss of playing time.

Playing a sport is a privilege, not a right, and certain guidelines must be established. We all have to make choices at times and, based on priorities, it may be necessary for a student-athlete to make a choice between playing on a school team in season or participating with a travel program, etc. We understand the choice the student-athlete has to make but want the student-athlete and his or her parents to understand that such choices do have a negative impact on the rest of the team. Regardless of the student-athletes' athletic abilities, such a decision may carry consequences.

# Important Websites

**NYSPHSAA (NYS Public High School Athletic Association):**

<https://nysphsaa.org/>



**Section V:**

[www.sectionv.org](http://www.sectionv.org)



**FLHSAA (Finger Lakes High School Athletic Association):**

<http://flhsaa.org/>



**rSchool (Athletic Contests):**

[www.sectionvny.org](http://www.sectionvny.org)



**MasterLibrary (Practice Schedule):**

<https://ny152.mlschedules.com/ReservationsIframe.aspx?p=1&v=c>



**ArbiterSports (formerly FamilyID) Registration:**

<https://students.arbitersports.com/programs/waterloo-athletics-fall-2024-2025>

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