

# ATHLETIC CODE OF CONDUCT

## REMSEN CENTRAL SCHOOL



### *Remsen Rams*

**TEAMWORK**

**LEADERSHIP**

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# We Are Remsen Rams

## Teamwork, Leadership, Sportsmanship

Each student athlete and coach is a direct representation of Remsen Central School District. Student athletes and coaches are expected to demonstrate outstanding sportsmanship, respect and self-control. Student-athletes that disrespect their coach, the officials, or the opposing team will lose the privilege of being part of the team.

Regardless of poor calls, frustrating plays, taunting from the opposing team, or disagreement with the coach, Remsen Central School District has zero tolerance for inappropriate conduct, on or off, the court, course, field, or track.

All Remsen student-athletes, coaches, and parents/spectators will exhibit exceptional character, teamwork, respect, sportsmanship, and self-control. Regardless of the challenges we experience, **we will lead by example.**



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## Student-Athlete Expectations

The Remsen Central School athletic program is part of our academic program. Participation in interscholastic sports is a privilege. Our wish is to use athletics to help students become more productive and responsible citizens in their school and their community. Athletics allows the student the opportunity to learn skill and character traits in a different type of classroom. We hope our athletes will further their lives by practicing good sportsmanship, self-discipline, loyalty, respect for others, responsibility, respect for a healthy lifestyle, teamwork, cooperation, dedication and commitment. It is the goal of the entire school community to work together to achieve these goals. The athlete and their parents must recognize that there are risks of injury in interscholastic sports. Remsen Central School athletics come under the direction of the New York State Public High School Athletic Association (*NYSPHSAA*) and *Section III*. All rules established by these organizations shall be observed. You may refer to [www.nysphsaa.org](http://www.nysphsaa.org) and [www.section3.org](http://www.section3.org) in order to become familiar with the rules and regulations of each of these governing bodies.

Athletic teams and student-athletes are representatives of their family, their school, and their community. Therefore, it is important that the student-athlete's conduct during any activity concerning the sport in which they are engaged be governed by a basic respect for:

- All facilities at the home school and at away games.
- Locker rooms and athletic facilities at the home school and at away games.
- Buses and any other forms of transportation.
- Equipment.
- Any individuals they may relate to as a member of a Remsen Athletic Team, including but not limited to students, spectators, coaches, officials, teachers, administrators, custodians, bus drivers, and chaperones.

Student Athletes will conduct themselves, both in and out of school, as responsible young adults. Athletes should refrain from acts of behavior that are incompatible with the purpose and goals of the interscholastic program.

Student-athletes have the responsibility to:

- broaden themselves and develop strength of character
- maintain their class work
- practice teamwork, self-discipline, respect and hard work
- maintain good sportsmanship
- be successful and enjoy athletics
- contribute to the reputation of the school
- act as a leader
- make others proud of their efforts

When posting athletic information on social media, student athletes will avoid making derogatory or inflammatory statements about other athletes, schools, coaches, or officials associated with their team or an opposing team. Any posting or communication via social networking websites which disrupts either the educational or athletic environment or which advocates the violation of any school or team policy will be unacceptable. This would include but not limited to:

- The consumption of alcohol or the use of illicit drugs
- Inappropriate sexually-oriented material
- Activities involving bullying, hazing or harassment of any kind

Student athletes will not post digital photographs of other athletes, coaches, or officials associated with their team or an opposing team without the permission of those persons in the photographs.

A student will be ineligible for one week if they receive three or more detentions during the previous school week. Students that are ineligible may not participate in interscholastic competition during that time period. The coach in consultation with the Athletic Director and Principal will determine participation at practices.

A student-athlete who has violated the District Code of Conduct and been assigned to in-school suspension (ISS) or out-of-school suspension (OSS) forfeits his or her participation in and attendance at athletics during the period of suspension. If the suspension (ISS or OSS) involves the last day of the school week and the first day of the subsequent week, the student-athlete will be suspended from participating in any weekend practices or games.

Student-athletes are strictly prohibited from bullying, harassment, hazing or participating in any acts of initiation or coercion that may result in humiliation or endanger the safety of other students on or off school property that interferes with a student's safety and learning experience or causes a student to be afraid for his/her safety through the expectation of bodily or emotional harm

Hazing is defined as the performance of any act or the coercion of another to perform any act of initiation that causes or creates a risk of humiliation or dangerous activity, or that risks inflicting mental or physical harm. Permission, consent or assumption of risk by an individual subjected to hazing shall not lessen the prohibitions contained in the policy.

Depending on the severity of an inappropriate behavior, a student-athlete may be disciplined. A lesser penalty may be imposed to more accurately reflect the severity of the violation, or, for more severe behaviors, a student-athlete may be subject to dismissal from a team.

#### Automatic Team Suspension for Criminal Charges

Any student charged with a felony will be suspended from the team they currently participate on pending an appeal.

A student who receives a criminal summons, appearance ticket, or is arrested must notify the athletic director within 48 hours. Failure to do so may result in suspension from the team.

Please see the *Appeal Process* section for more information.

## **School and Team Attendance**

Daily Attendance: In order for a student-athlete to attend or participate in a practice or game, it is necessary that the student attend classes for the full school day on the day of the activity.

- Students will not be allowed to participate in the day's event or practice if they enter school after the start of third period (After 9:30 AM), this includes students who attend AM BOCES programs. Medical excuses/documentation (from a doctor), court requirements, and bereavement are the only exceptions to this rule. Students will be expected to attend practices or events but will not be allowed to participate.
- Student-athletes excused early for a medical appointment must bring a medical excuse to return to school for an athletic practice or event. Medical excuses should be submitted to the office or the coach if returning outside normal school hours.

- If a student-athlete is absent from school on the last scheduled day of the week, the student-athlete will not participate in practices or games for the remainder of the week, including Saturday and/or Sunday, unless the student-athlete's coach is presented with a note, at the beginning of the practice or game, indicating an excused absence for the day's absence. An excused absence is defined as: personal illness, serious illness or death in the family, impassable roads or weather, religious observance, quarantine, court appearances, attendance at health clinics, approved cooperative work programs, approved college visits, military obligations, or other reason approved by the Commissioner and/or administration.
- When in attendance, and not ineligible, the student is expected to attend all team practices and contests.
- Attendance at all district practices is closed to those not a part of that team.
- Students serving an in-school suspension will be ineligible to practice/play that day.
- Physical Education is part of the required curriculum for graduation in New York State. Therefore, students not participating in physical education class (without a legal excuse) may not participate in a practice or contest that day.
- Absent from practice – students that are absent from a practice or practices may be withheld from participation for either a portion or all of their next contest/activity. A student's illegal absence may result in a loss of conditioning or lack of awareness of new team strategies that would place the student behind his/her teammates in these areas.

#### School Vacation/Recess Participation Policy:

For the safety of our student-athletes, students who do not participate in scheduled practices/contests during a school vacation/recess may be required to participate in a period of reconditioning upon their return. The length of the period of reconditioning before participation in an actual athletic contest will be determined at the discretion of the coach in consultation with the athletic director.

## Eligibility

In order for a student in grades 7-12 to be eligible for interscholastic athletics, the student must meet the eligibility requirements governing interscholastic athletics as set forth by the Remsen Central School District and the New York State Public High School Athletic Association in regards to age and level of competition. Particular rules and regulations are available from the Athletic Director.

Upon entering the ninth grade a student is eligible for participation in interscholastic sports competition for eight consecutive semesters or until nineteen years of age. (If the age of nineteen is reached on or after September 1st, the student may participate during that school year.)

A junior high student may participate in varsity and junior varsity sports providing that all requirements under the NYS Athletic Placement Process are met.

#### Academic Eligibility

Because athletics serve as a part in the development of a well rounded student, athletes must meet certain academic standards to remain eligible to play in interscholastic contests. Academic eligibility applies not only to athletics, but all extracurricular clubs to emphasize the focus on academics in all student school experiences.

#### Academic Probation

Academic probation is a precautionary step to support a student before they fall behind in academic coursework. Starting at the end of the second week of any progress interval, teachers may recommend a

student for academic probation. The teacher will discuss academic probation with the student, contact the student's parent/guardian and the guidance department indicating the student is being recommended for academic probation. This will be done if a student has exhibited signs they may be academically struggling with a course, such as receiving failing scores on consecutive assessments or failing to submit consecutive assignments.

If a student is recommended for academic probation they will be required to report to Peer Tutoring, scheduled during lunch periods, to receive additional support from a student-volunteer that is exhibiting success in the course for the duration of the time they are considered to be on academic probation. The teacher recommending academic probation may also recommend a specific student-volunteer. Students on academic probation will also be encouraged to meet with their teacher(s) and support staff.

A student will be removed from academic probation by demonstrating that they are no longer struggling with course content, by either receiving passing grades on consecutive assessments, submitting consecutive assignments, or receiving passing grades at the end of any progress interval.

#### Academic Ineligibility

Every five weeks a student that is failing two or more classes will be placed upon the ineligibility list. Students on the ineligibility list will be required to schedule at least 1 academic support session per week for each subject area that they are currently not successful in. This may occur during lunch periods, during the school day if the schedule allows, or during after-school support time. Academic support sessions may be scheduled with either the ineligible student's teacher, or another individual contingent on approval from the student's teacher. If a student does not attend a scheduled support session, they will not be able to participate in extracurricular activities until attending another academic support session.

If a student demonstrates improvement in the course(s) that placed them on the ineligibility list, and improve their standing in the class to passing, the teacher will discuss the improvement with the student, contact the student's parent/guardian and the guidance department, indicate the student is no longer required to attend the weekly academic support session, or recommend a shift to academic probation for that course.

A student may be removed from the academic ineligibility list prior to the next 5-week progress interval or 10-week marking period by a student's teacher as soon as they improve their academic standing to passing in all academic courses. This will be determined by the uniform consensus of the student's teachers, the guidance office, and building principal. This process is the responsibility of the student to contact their teachers, have the teachers sign off, and return the form to the guidance office and/or building principal for removal from the ineligibility list.

At the end of each five-week period every student will be re-evaluated and a new list will be developed.

#### Academic Mentoring

To help support students in their ability to initiate interventions on their behalf, a Remsen staff mentoring program may be enacted. If a student is recommended for academic probation 3 or more times or is placed on the academic ineligibility list for consecutive cycles, the student may be assigned a staff mentor. A list of students that qualify for mentoring will be provided to staff and discussed during a team workshop. The staff mentor would then initiate a plan to help support the student in addition to the peer mentoring and/or academic support sessions they already receive due to academic probation or academic ineligibility.

## **Medical Standards for Participation**

Health Examinations (Physicals): A student-athlete who tries out for interscholastic competition must receive and pass an adequate health examination.

- The health examination (physical) shall be conducted by the Remsen School physician.
- If a student-athlete would prefer that a private physician conduct the physical, the physical must first be approved by Remsen's appointed physician before the student-athlete will be deemed eligible for athletic participation.

Self-Reporting Injuries and Illnesses: It is the responsibility of the student-athlete to inform the coach if the student-athlete is ill or injured before, during, or after any activity associated with the sport in which the student-athlete is participating.

- Students must also report any illnesses or injuries that cause absence from athletic participation over a weekend, scheduled vacation, or holiday.

Participation after Injury: A student-athlete who seeks and receives treatment for an injury must provide a written statement from the emergency room or other physician before returning to athletic practice or play.

Participation after Concussion/Head Injury: Remsen Central School has adopted a specific concussion protocol that shall be followed by any coach/athlete when the athlete sustains a head injury.

Medical Excuse from Participation: Student-athletes who are injured or ill may be excused from participation by their physicians.

- Student-athletes excused from participation must have releases from their physicians before they will be allowed to return to participating.

Insurance:

The school district carries insurance for students. This is non-duplicating insurance and requires parents to apply to their personal insurance carrier first. The school insurance has certain financial limits and parents may be required to pay certain balances of the medical bills.

## **Athletic Placement Process**

A student is eligible for junior varsity or varsity standing and play as a freshman.

Under some circumstances, some students may be eligible for junior varsity or varsity standing and play prior to their freshman year if,

- The coach of a specific sport requests that a student-athlete be considered to move up in classification. In making this request, the coach will take into consideration the following criteria:
  - The student is in good academic standing.
  - The student has a record of good attendance.
  - The student has a record of good conduct.
  - The student has previous play and demonstrates exceptional performance in the sport.
- The athletic director or athletic administrator approves the athlete to begin the Athletic Placement Process.
- The student-athlete's parent(s) give(s) permission for the student to move up in classification.



- The student-athlete passes a maturity physical administered by the school's designated school physician. (Other physicals will not be accepted.)
- The student-athlete passes a physical fitness test as per New York State regulations.

An Athletic Placement Process form shall be submitted to Section III for any student-athlete who meets all criteria listed above.

## **Parent and Spectator Behavior, Ethics, and Consequences**

“Student-athletes compete with honor and integrity, and play for the love of the game, so let’s all cheer for our team, have fun and support the spirit of Section III Athletics.”

~ *New York State Public High School Athletic Association*

General Guidelines: The following are guidelines for parent and spectator behavior and ethics which are promoted by the *New York State Public High School Athletic Association*.

- Direct all energies to encouraging your team.
- Avoid actions which offend visiting teams or individual players.
- Show appreciation of good play by both teams.
- Learn the rules of the game in order to be a more knowledgeable spectator.
- Treat all visiting teams in a manner in which you would expect to be treated.
- Accept the judgment of coaches and officials.
- Encourage other spectators to participate in the spirit of good sportsmanship.
- Be positive.

Parent Conflicts with Coaches or Officials: From time to time, conflicts arise between parents and their children’s coaches or the officials. At no time is it appropriate to go onto a field or court of play to approach a coach or official whether before, during, or after an athletic contest, regardless of the venue. Additionally, it is inappropriate for a parent to verbally confront a coach or official at any time before, during, or after an athletic contest. If a parent has a conflict with a coach or official, it is expected that the parent will contact the coach or the athletic director via phone the day after the athletic contest to discuss the conflict or ask to set up a meeting to address the conflict in person. The athletic director, building principal, and/or superintendent will be in attendance at the meeting.

### Consequences for Unacceptable Parent/Spectator Behavior

Parents or spectators who engage in unacceptable behaviors before, during, or after athletic contests – regardless of the venue – will be warned and requested by school staff (principals, superintendent, athletic director, coaches, chaperones) or officials to stop the said behaviors. Parents or spectators who do not comply with said requests will be directed to leave school premises. Parents or spectators who refuse to leave shall be subject to ejection and/or arrest. Depending on the severity of the behavior or repeated violations over time, the parent/spectator may be immediately ejected and/or banned from attending athletic events in the future.

NYSPHSAA Expectations/Penalties for Spectators - Officials, just like student athletes and coaches, are critical to interscholastic sports programs. Without officials, NYSPHSAA and its member schools would not be able to provide interscholastic sports in the manner that is desired and expected by student athletes, coaches, and parents. Spectators are expected to “Be Loud, Be Proud, and Be Positive.” Negative comments and inappropriate behaviors by spectators are required to be addressed by all and any school

supervisors and administrators, as a member of NYSPHSAA. Spectators may be prohibited from attending current and future interscholastic contests based on their behavior. (Oct. 2022)

1. Spectator Regulation: Any negative, inappropriate, derogatory comments or actions that draw the direct attention of a supervisor or school administrator by a spectator or group of spectators are required to be addressed by the host school, Sectional or NYSPHSAA representative in the following non-sequential order depending on the comments or behavior:

- First warning – Directing the spectator or group of spectators to refrain from any negative comments or actions.
- Second warning – A personal discussion with the spectators or group of spectators on the above NYSPHSAA expectations and reminding the spectators or group of spectators of the next step, removal from the game or event, will be utilized if the behavior continues.
- Removal from the contest – The spectator or group of spectators will be directed to leave the facility for the remainder of the game or event. If spectators or a group of spectators refuse to leave the game or event, play will be stopped until they vacate the premises.

2. Penalty for being removed from a game or event: Any spectator removed from a game or event will have a minimum penalty of completing the NFHS Parent Credential course (NFHS Course - <https://nfhslearn.com/home/parents>) or a one game suspension before they are allowed to attend any interscholastic event. Once the course is completed the spectator will provide a certificate of completion to the athletic department office. Schools are required to communicate with the offending spectator on the NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Spectator Expectations.

If actions or behavior of a spectator or group of spectators rise to the level of removal from the contest after the first offense, the host school may remove that spectator and he/she will have to complete the required online course prior to being allowed to attend any future interscholastic events.

## **Goals for Athletic Teams**

Modified Athletics: The goals of modified athletics are the development of sport-specific skills and an understanding of rules of play, team unity, and sportsmanship. The New York State Athletic Association dictates playing time for some, but not all, student-athletes participating in modified athletics.

Junior Varsity Athletics: The goal of junior varsity athletics is to build on the development of sport-specific skills and an understanding of rules of play, team unity, and sportsmanship, with an emphasis on preparing student-athletes for competitive varsity play.

Varsity Athletics: The goals of varsity play are to win the season and progress to post-season competition without losing sight of the development of sport-specific skills and an understanding of rules of play, team unity, and sportsmanship.

## **Team Travel Rules**

On team trips, student-athletes will ride to and from the event on district transportation unless otherwise determined by the athletic director or administrator.

All players must ride to and from games with the team. Players may ride home with their parent after signing out with the coach. A note signed by the parent should be provided to the coach when an athlete intends to ride home with the parent/guardian of another player.

Failure to adhere to these rules may result in disciplinary action.

## **Uniforms, Equipment and Property**

Uniforms are only to be worn for school athletic contests, to demonstrate team unity on days of competition, and/or designated school spirit events. Remsen uniforms are not to be worn for regular school attendance, physical education classes, or outside of school at any other time.

All student-athletes are held personally and financially responsible for the uniforms/equipment issued to them. If school uniforms/equipment are lost, returned in poor condition (given consideration for normal wear and use), or not paid for, the student-athlete will forfeit any honors/awards for that sport and will be ineligible to participate on an athletic team until the uniform/equipment is returned or paid for. A senior athlete who fails to return their uniform/equipment, replace it, or pay for it prior to graduation will forfeit participation in the graduation ceremony.

## **Training Rules and Team Discipline**

### A. Training Rules:

In order for athletes to perform at their maximum ability without compromise to their personal health and team integrity, training rules are in effect from the first day of the official athletic season and conclude at the end of the day of the final contest of the season. All team rules and regulations relating to practices, individual conditioning, curfew hours, proper nutrition and game conduct are set forth by the coach of each sport, clearly establishing expectations for that sport.

### B. Team Cuts:

Should a student-athlete be cut from a team prior to a final roster and wish to try out for another team, they may be eligible to do so. This can only be done if the student-athlete requests approval from the coaches of the sports involved, as well as the Athletic Director.

### C. Season Completion:

Grace Period: A player may voluntarily leave the team at any point before the first contest after consulting with the coach. If an athlete chooses to leave a team, they must inform the coach of his/her decision and may leave the team without penalty.

Any player that leaves a team after the start of the first contest shall be ineligible for the next sport season. A conference among the player, their parents, the Athletic Director and the principal may allow a student to leave the team for certain extenuating circumstances without penalty after submitting a completed "Permission Form to Discontinue Athletic Participation" (Appendix A).

### D. Tobacco, Alcohol, and Drug Use Infractions

It is clearly understood that the use of tobacco products, any nicotine-containing products, and vaping of any substance; the consumption of alcoholic beverages; and the use of illegal drugs or misuse of prescription drugs is dangerous to the health and general maturation of the adolescent and impacts negatively a student-athlete's ability to perform. Therefore:

- The possession, sale or use of alcohol, tobacco products, any nicotine-containing products, and vaping of any substance, illegal drugs (including but not limited to marijuana, cocaine, synthetic marijuana, bath salts, heroine, LSD, steroids or any other drug with the potential to cause impairment to the student-athletes' health and performance) or the unauthorized use of prescription or nonprescription drugs/inhalants is strictly prohibited on or off school grounds.
- Under no circumstances, is a student-athlete of the Remsen Central School District allowed to consume alcohol or use/abuse drugs at any time.
- Student-athletes who violate this regulation are subject to consequences including the potential to lose all honors, privileges and awards.
- Any student athletes who are in attendance at a gathering/party where there is underage alcohol use, tobacco use, or drug use shall physically leave and report any safety concerns to an adult. Student athletes who fail to leave or report safety concerns will face a minimum of a one-game suspension and/or be subject to the "Penalties for Athletic Code Infractions".

E. Additional Infractions

Additional Infractions shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- Destroying or defacing school property (home & away).
- The stealing of school property.
- Disrespect to the coach, game officials or spectators which constitute immediate attention to disciplinary action.
- Fights that are a result of the student's action, during a game or practice.
- Members of District athletic teams are, in fact, representatives of the District and are expected to conduct themselves properly at all times, whether or not they are engaging in school-related activities and whether or not they are on school grounds. Team members who engage in violent or disruptive acts or engage in destruction of private property which occur off school grounds may be subject to disciplinary action up to and including dismissal from the team in accordance with the Athletic Code and the Code of Conduct.

### **Penalties for Athletic Code Infractions**

Should an infraction take place during school hours or at any school sponsored event, the penalties outlined below will be applied concurrently with and/or in addition to any school or district penalties prescribed by the District Code of Conduct.

The following three levels of consequences for infractions of the athletic code will apply to student-athletes in grades 7-12:

The penalty for a first infraction shall be suspension from athletics for 50% of the current season. If less than 50% of the season remains, then the starting date will be after the first half of the next sports season. A student that receives an athletic suspension will be required to attend and observe all practices and games, but will not be allowed to wear their uniform. A second infraction during any future sport season shall result in removal from athletics for the remainder of that season plus the next athletic season. A third infraction will result in dismissal from extracurricular athletics for the remainder of the student's high school career.

The Remsen Central School District reserves the right to impose a stricter penalty based on the severity and nature of the infraction.

### Appeal

Appeal Process:

- A student-athlete may appeal a disciplinary action caused by an infraction that may result in temporary or permanent suspension from athletics by appealing first to the Athletic Director and Jr./Sr. HS Principal, second to the Superintendent of Schools, and lastly to the Board of Education.
- Student-athletes will not compete in any contests during the appeal process.
- The appeal must be in writing.
- The appeal must be submitted to the athletic director or high school principal within five days of their notification of the suspension.
- The written appeal must contain exact reasons and details why the suspension is being appealed.

### Self-Reporting of Alcohol or Substance Use/Abuse

A student who confidentially self-reports to a Remsen Central School staff member, coach, or administrator that they violated the Athletic Code by being involved in alcohol or substance use/abuse will be:

- Granted a one-time confidential waiver of athletic consequences provided that the student does not attempt to abuse or manipulate this support to avoid immediate consequences.
- Recommended to attend substance abuse counseling.
- Allowed to continue participating as a student-athlete, provided that the determination is made that continued participation is not a health risk to the individual or a safety risk to other athletes or to coaches.

Should the violation of alcohol or substance use/abuse be repeated, the student shall be subject to disciplinary action as outlined in Penalties for Athletic Code Infractions.

## **Reporting Student Athlete Violations**

The following persons are required to report alleged athletic code violations that they have personally witnessed to the student-athlete's coach, athletic director, or principal.

- Any RCS employee or School Board member.
- Any adult acting as a chaperone.
- Any adult assisting with a school activity at the request of a district employee.
- Any law enforcement agency or officer.
- Any parent or legal guardian of the student-athlete involved.

Athletic code violations personally witnessed by the aforementioned shall be investigated by the student-athlete's principal and the athletic director.

Reports of alleged violations by persons other than the aforementioned may be investigated by school administration, provided the administration believes that the evidence warrants such an investigation.

## **Dual Participation**

The Center State Conference allows for dual participation throughout the year, provided parental consent. Per Section III policy, indoor track athletes are not allowed to compete in more than one sport during the winter season.

In order to allow for adequate preparation and conditioning, the following guidelines must be met during participation.

1. At the beginning of each sport season the athlete must declare his/her primary sport of participation. The athlete must be committed to attend all practices and contests of such declared sport.
2. If scheduling of practices and contests allows such athlete to practice and meet the commitments of the declared sport then the athlete may also be allowed to participate in additional contests for a second declared sport.
3. The athlete must notify the respective coaches in advance of any scheduling conflicts.
4. The athlete must remain off the ineligibility list for the period of his/her sports season(s). If a student who participates in two sports is on the ineligibility list, they will need to reduce their participation to just their primary sport for the duration of the ineligibility period.
5. In the event that Dual Participation during a given season is compromising the integrity of the team(s), a meeting between the Athletic Director, the Principal, and the dual participation athlete(s) will take place to discuss options and needs prior to making an administrative decision regarding Dual Participation.

### **Combination Participation**

Combination/Participation in Athletics with Surrounding Districts

In the past, there have been student-athletes who have participated in activities that are not offered through Remsen Central School. Combinations between school districts fall under the guidelines of Section 3 and the NYSPHSAA. If a student-athlete has interest in participating in these sanctioned sports, they must make the Athletic Director aware of their intention to participate in a sport where a combination is necessary with another school district by the following dates:

Fall Sports – May 15

Winter Sports – September 30

Spring Sports – January 15

### **Pre-Requisites for Participation in Athletics**

***PRIOR TO THE FIRST PRACTICE ALL ATHLETES MUST:***

Submit the **Athletic Participation Permission Form** to the athletic director or coach, signed by the athlete and a parent/guardian.

Submit the **Emergency Form** to the school nurse, coach, or athletic director, signed by the student's parent/guardian.

Have on record a **current physical exam** in the nurse's office. "Current" means within the past calendar year of the first practice date for that sports season.

Submit the **Interval Health History form** to the school nurse, coach, or athletic director, signed by the student's parent/guardian.

**\*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\***

**ALL FORMS LISTED ABOVE ARE MANDATORY AND MUST BE TURNED IN BEFORE THE SEASON BEGINS. STUDENT-ATHLETES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN PRACTICES OR CONTESTS UNTIL ALL FORMS ARE COMPLETED, SIGNED, AND RETURNED.  
THANK YOU!**



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## Interval Health History Sheet

Prior to the start of the athletic season, all student-athlete's parents must complete the required NYSED Interval Health History Form.

### NYSED Interval Health History for Athletics

Student Name:		DOB:
Grade (check): <input type="checkbox"/> 7 <input type="checkbox"/> 8 <input type="checkbox"/> 9 <input type="checkbox"/> 10 <input type="checkbox"/> 11 <input type="checkbox"/> 12		Sport:
Sport Level: <input type="checkbox"/> Modified <input type="checkbox"/> Fresh <input type="checkbox"/> JV <input type="checkbox"/> Varsity		Date of last physical:
<b>MUST be completed and signed by Parent/Guardian - Give details to any YES answers on the last page.</b>		

GENERAL HEALTH	No	Yes
Been diagnosed with mononucleosis within the last month?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Have only one functioning kidney?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Have a bleeding disorder?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Have any problems with hearing or have congenital deafness?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Have any problems with vision or only have vision in one eye?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Have an ongoing medical condition?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, check all that apply:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Asthma	<input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes	
<input type="checkbox"/> Seizures	<input type="checkbox"/> Sickle cell trait or disease	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other:		
Have Allergies?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, check all that apply		
<input type="checkbox"/> Food	<input type="checkbox"/> Insect Bite	<input type="checkbox"/> Latex
<input type="checkbox"/> Pollen	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:	<input type="checkbox"/> Medicine
Ever had anaphylaxis?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Carry an epinephrine auto-injector?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ever had an eating disorder?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BRAIN/HEAD INJURY HISTORY	No	Yes
Ever had a hit to the head that caused headache, dizziness, nausea, confusion, or been told they had a concussion?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Receive treatment for a seizure disorder or epilepsy?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ever had any unexplained seizures?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ever had migraines?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
INJURY HISTORY	No	Yes
Ever been unable to move arm/leg or had tingling, numbness, or weakness after being hit or falling?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Have joints become painful, swollen, warm, or red with use?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Been diagnosed with a stress fracture?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DEVICES / ACCOMMODATIONS	No	Yes
Have any special devices or prostheses (insulin pump, glucose sensor, ostomy bag, etc.)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wear protective eyewear?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

BREATHING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Use or carry an inhaler/nebulizer?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wheeze or cough frequently during or after exercise?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
HEART HEALTH		
Ever complained of:		
Ever had a test by a health care provider for their heart (e.g., EKG, echocardiogram, stress test)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lightheadedness, dizziness, during or after exercise?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chest pain, tightness, or pressure during or after exercise?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fluttering in the chest, skipped heartbeats, heart racing?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ever been told by a health care provider they have or had a heart or blood vessel problem?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, check all that apply:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Chest Tightness or Pain	<input type="checkbox"/> Heart infection	
<input type="checkbox"/> High Blood Pressure	<input type="checkbox"/> Heart Murmur	
<input type="checkbox"/> High Cholesterol	<input type="checkbox"/> Low Blood Pressure	
<input type="checkbox"/> New fast or slow heart rate	<input type="checkbox"/> Kawasaki Disease	
<input type="checkbox"/> Has implanted cardiac defibrillator (ICD)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Has a pacemaker		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other:		
FEMALES ONLY	No	Yes
Have regular periods?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Age period began?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
MALES ONLY	No	Yes
Have only one testicle?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Have groin pain or a bulge, or a hernia?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
COVID-19 INFORMATION		
Has your child ever tested positive for COVID-19?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Date of positive COVID test:		
Was your child symptomatic?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did your child see a health care provider for their COVID-19 symptoms?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Was your child hospitalized for COVID?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Was your child diagnosed with Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome (MISC)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## FAMILY HEART HEALTH HISTORY

A relative has/had any of the following:

Check all that apply:

- Enlarged Heart/ Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy/ Dilated Cardiomyopathy
- Arrhythmogenic Right Ventricular Cardiomyopathy?
- Heart rhythm problems, long or short QT interval?

- Brugada Syndrome?
- Catecholaminergic Ventricular Tachycardia?
- Marfan Syndrome (aortic rupture)?
- Heart attack at age 50 or younger?
- Pacemaker or implanted cardiac defibrillator (ICD)?

A family history of:

- Known heart abnormalities or sudden death before age 50?
- Structural heart abnormality, repaired or unrepaired?
- Unexplained fainting, seizures, drowning, near drowning, or car accident before age 50?

If you answered **NO** to ***all*** questions, **STOP**. Sign and date below.

If you answered **YES** to a question please explain below.

Parent/Guardian  
Signature:

Date:

If you answered **YES** to any questions give details. Sign and date below.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### FOR SCHOOL PHYSICIAN ONLY

This certifies that the above referenced student is physically qualified to participate in the following categories of competition during the school year. Any unmarked categories indicate disqualification for the particular group of sports.

#### CONTACT/COLLISION

Cheerleading  
Football  
Ice Hockey  
Lacrosse  
Soccer  
Wrestling  
Basketball  
Diving/Swim

#### LIMITED CONTACT/IMPACT

Baseball  
Volleyball  
Basketball  
Softball

#### NONCONTACT

Cross Country  
Track and Field  
Golf  
Tennis

School Physician's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# **ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION PERMISSION FORM**

To the Remsen Athletic Director:

I have read the Athletic Code of Conduct of the Remsen Central School District. I understand the provisions as stated, and agree to abide by these provisions while a member of any team.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Signature

I have read the Athletic Code of Conduct of Remsen Central School District. I have reviewed it with my child. I agree to cooperate with Remsen Central School in enforcing this code as it applies to him/her and to myself and our family as responsible spectators. I give my permission for my student to participate in the stated sport, subject to the standards and provisions stated.

Primary Sport: \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary Sport: \_\_\_\_\_ (if played during same season)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent or Legal Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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## **EMERGENCY FORM**

Name of Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Sport/Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

If a parent is not available, name of alternate person to contact in case of an emergency

Alternate #1 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate #2 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Does your child have any allergies? \_\_\_\_\_

Does your child have any history of medical problems in which a teacher, ambulance attendant or hospital personnel should be aware of during an emergency?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Has your child been seen by a Dr. or under Dr.'s care for any medical reason (injury, etc.) since the end of the last sport season? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, when \_\_\_\_\_; For what reason? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Has he / she been released by the Dr. to play sports? \_\_\_\_Yes \_\_\_\_No

I authorize the coach in charge of this activity to have my child transported to the nearest hospital.

Signature of Parent: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_