

NAME, IMAGE, AND LIKENESS (NIL) - RULES AND GUIDELINES

Rules:

- The GHSA does not specifically prohibit students from engaging in certain commercial activities as individuals.
- These activities, commonly referred to as name, image and likeness (NIL), will not put a student's amateur status at risk provided the student meets all the requirements for maintaining amateur status in compliance with GHSA by-law 1.92-c and providing there is no violation of by-laws prohibiting influencing a student to attend or remain at a member school under GHSA by-law 1.70 (Recruiting/Undue Influence/Following The Coach).
- A student-athlete may benefit from the use of their name, image, and likeness (NIL) in compliance with GHSA by-law 1.92-c provided:
The compensation is not contingent on specific athletic performance or achievement.
The compensation is not provided as an incentive to enroll or remain enrolled at a specific school.
The compensation is not provided by the school or any person acting as an agent for the school.

Guidelines for NIL Activities:

- Intellectual property - No "marks" may be used including, but not limited to, school logos, school name, school uniforms, school mascot, or any trademarked GHSA logo or acronyms.
- No school apparel or equipment shall be worn, which includes school name, school uniforms, school logo, school mascot or any apparel displaying trademarked GHSA logos or acronyms.
- No member school facility may be used for the purpose of name, image, and likeness activities.
- No activities in conflict with a member school's local school district policy may be endorsed. (Examples include, but are not limited to, tobacco products, alcohol products and controlled substances. Additional categories such as adult entertainment, cannabis, casinos/gambling including the lottery, sports betting, weapons/firearms/ammunition).
- Students and their families should seek professional guidance as to how NIL activities could impact collegiate financial aid and/or tax implications, among other issues.
- Within seven (7) calendar days after entering into any type of NIL contract/agreement, a student, or the student's parents/guardians, must notify the Principal or Athletic Director of the student's school of entering into that agreement.

Failure to follow these rules and guidelines could result in immediate loss of GHSA eligibility.

ALL PARENTS/GUARDIANS/MUST SIGN BELOW AND DATE

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date: _____

Signature of Student _____ Date: _____

PRIOR TO PARTICIPATION IN ANY CONDITIONING, TRYOUT, PRACTICE SESSION, OR PLAY IN ANY INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ACTIVITY, THE STUDENT-ATHLETE MUST SUBMIT THIS FORM FOR PARTICIPATION IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS TO THE COACH OF THE ACTIVITY. FAILURE TO SUBMIT THIS FORM WILL DELAY THE ELIGIBILITY OF THE STUDENT-ATHLETE TO JOIN THE TEAM.