Athletic Forms Information

Southwest Middle School

Every **athlete** is required to submit five (5) athletic forms (#1-5 below) in their entirety to the SWMS main office prior to participation in any sports practice or tryouts regardless of whether tryouts are held.

Every **manager** is required to submit three (3) athletic forms (#2-4 below) in their entirety to the SWMS main office prior to participation with any sports teams practice or tryouts.

Do not submit forms to coaches at tryouts/practices.

REQUIRED FORMS:

1. KSHSAA-PPE - Physical Form - White form
    - Requires the signature of the doctor on page 2. Student and parent must sign the front and back of the form.
    - The annual physical examination shall not be taken earlier than **May 1** preceding the school year for which it is applicable.

2. LPS Insurance Compliance Form - Blue form
    - Requires parent signature and notarization - **Form must be signed in front of a notary public**.
    - A notary may be available in the front office - please call ahead.
    - Every athlete and manager is required to have accident insurance. If you are not currently covered by health insurance, you may purchase accident insurance through Student Assurance Services. Forms are available at SWMS.

3. KSHSAA Concussion Release Form - Yellow form
    - Requires the signature of the student and parent / guardian

4. LPS Code of Conduct Form - Green form
    - Requires the signature of the student and parent / guardian

5. LPS Tryout/ Participation Form - Gray form
    - Requires the signature of the student and parent / guardian

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Kansas State High School Activities Association

PRE-PARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION INSTRUCTIONS

STUDENTS/PARENTS

1. ☐ Complete the History Form (pages 1 & 2) and the top section of the Medical Eligibility Form (page 4) PRIOR to your appointment with your healthcare provider.
2. ☐ Sign the bottom of the Medical Eligibility Form (page 4) AFTER the pre-participation evaluation is complete and PRIOR to turning in the completed PPE to the school.
3. ☐ Review the Student Eligibility Checklist (page 5) AND SIGN the bottom of the page PRIOR to turning in the completed PPE to the school.
4. ☐ Review and sign the Concussion and Head Injury Release Form provided by the school.

HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS

1. ☐ Review the History Form (pages 1 & 2) with the student and his/her parent/guardian as part of the pre-participation physical evaluation.
2. ☐ Review the Physician Reminders at the top of page 3 and complete the Physical Examination Form.
3. ☐ Review the Student Information at the top of page 4, complete the Medical Eligibility Form, AND SIGN page 4.

The PPE form becomes part of the student's record at their school and should not be sent to the KSHSAA.

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS AND SCHOOL MEDICAL PERSONNEL

1. ☐ Collect the completed PPE forms with the appropriate signatures on pages 4 & 5. **ONLY** personnel with a medical or educational need to review this information should have access to the PPE form. Forms should be kept secure and confidential at all times. The PPE should **NOT** be collected by coaches at practice.
2. ☐ Based on your school's policy, determine which medical personnel or administrative staff are responsible to review and disseminate the student's medical information provided on the form. [Ensure Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) and Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) compliance]*
3. ☐ Provide copies of the Medical Eligibility Form to appropriate staff with supervisory responsibility of extracurricular activities (coaches, sponsors, etc.).
4. ☐ Collect the required Concussion and Head Injury Release Form signed by the student and parent/guardian.

* Schools should have policies in place identifying who has access to a student's complete private health information found on the PPE form. The Medical Eligibility Form can be used independently to share with staff who may not need complete access to the private health information found on the PPE.

NOTE: When providing PPE information to the school, the parent/guardian may choose to turn-in the complete PPE or pages 4 & 5 only.

The annual history and the physical examination shall not be taken earlier than May 1 preceding the school year for which it is applicable. The KSHSAA recommends completion of this evaluation by athletes/cheerleaders at least one month prior to the first practice to allow time for correction of deficiencies and implementation of conditioning recommendations.

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PRE-PARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION

PPE

PPE is required annually and shall not be taken earlier than May 1 preceding the school year for which it is applicable.

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HISTORY FORM *(Pages 1 & 2 should be filled out by the student and **parent/guardian** prior to the physical examination)*

Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Age _____ *Sex at Birth _____

Grade _____ School _____ Sport(s) _____

Home Address _____ Phone _____

Personal Physician _____ Parent Email _____

*In cases of disorder of sexual development (DSD), designation of sex at birth may be delayed for a period of time until medical providers and family can make the appropriate determination.

Students and parents/guardian should complete pages 1-2 together. Explain "Yes" answers at the end of this form. Circle questions if you don't know the answer.

GENERAL QUESTIONS:	YES	NO
1. Do you have any concerns that you would like to discuss with your provider?	☐	☐
2. Has a provider ever denied or restricted your participation in sports for any reason?	☐	☐
3. Do you have any ongoing medical issues or recent illness?	☐	☐
4. Have you ever spent the night in the hospital?	☐	☐
HEART HEALTH QUESTIONS ABOUT YOU:	**YES**	**NO**
5. Have you ever passed out or nearly passed out during or after exercise?	☐	☐
6. Have you ever had discomfort, pain, tightness or pressure in your chest during exercise?	☐	☐
7. Does your heart ever race, flutter in your chest, or skip beats (irregular beats) during exercise?	☐	☐
8. Has a doctor ever told you that you have any heart problems?	☐	☐
9. Has a doctor ever requested a test for your heart? For example, electrocardiography (ECG) or echocardiography.	☐	☐
10. Do you get light-headed or feel shorter of breath than your friends during exercise?	☐	☐
11. Have you ever had a seizure?	☐	☐
HEART HEALTH QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR FAMILY:	**YES**	**NO**
12. Has any family member or relative died of heart problems or had an unexpected or unexplained sudden death before age 35 years (including drowning or unexplained car crash)?	☐	☐
13. Does anyone in your family have a genetic heart problem such as hypertrophic cardiomyopathy (HCM), Marfan syndrome, arrhythmogenic right ventricular cardiomyopathy (ARVC), long QT syndrome (LQTS), short QT syndrome (SQTS), Brugada syndrome, or catecholaminergic polymorphic ventricular tachycardia (CPVT)?	☐	☐
14. Has anyone in your family had a pacemaker or an implanted defibrillator before age 35?	☐	☐
BONE AND JOINT QUESTIONS:	**YES**	**NO**
15. Have you ever had a stress fracture or an injury to a bone, muscle, ligament, joint, or tendon that caused you to miss a practice or game?	☐	☐
16. Have you ever had any broken or fractured bones or dislocated joints?	☐	☐
17. Have you ever had an injury that required x-rays, MRI, CT scan, injections or therapy?	☐	☐
18. Have you ever had any injuries or conditions involving your spine (cervical, thoracic, lumbar)?	☐	☐
19. Do you regularly use, or have you ever had an injury that required the use of a brace, crutches, cast, orthotics or other assistive device?	☐	☐
20. Do you have a bone, muscle, ligament, or joint injury that bothers you?	☐	☐
21. Do you have any history of juvenile arthritis, other autoimmune disease or other congenital genetic conditions (e.g., Downs Syndrome or Dwarfism)?	☐	☐

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KSHSAA PRE-PARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION

Name _____ Date of Birth _____

MEDICAL QUESTIONS:	YES	NO
22. Do you cough, wheeze, or have difficulty breathing during or after exercise?	☐	☐
23. Have you ever used an inhaler or taken asthma medicine?	☐	☐
24. Are you missing a kidney, an eye, a testicle (males), your spleen, or any other organs?	☐	☐
25. Do you have groin or testicle pain, a bump, a painful bulge or hernia in the groin area?	☐	☐
26. Have you had infectious mononucleosis (mono)?	☐	☐
27. Do you have any recurring skin rashes or skin infection that come and go, including herpes or methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA)?	☐	☐
28. Have you had a concussion or head injury that caused confusion, a prolonged headache, or memory problems?	☐	☐
If yes, how many?		
What is the longest time it took for full recovery?		
When were you last released?		
29. Do you have headaches with exercise?	☐	☐
30. Have you ever had numbness, tingling, weakness in your arms (including stingers/burners) or legs, or been unable to move your arms or legs after being hit or falling?	☐	☐
31. Have you ever become ill while exercising in the heat?	☐	☐
32. Do you get frequent muscle cramps when exercising?	☐	☐
33. Do you or does someone in your family have sickle cell trait or disease?	☐	☐
34. Have you ever had or do you have any problems with your eyes or vision?	☐	☐
35. Do you wear protective eyewear, such as goggles or a face shield?	☐	☐
36. Do you worry about your weight?	☐	☐
37. Are you trying to or has anyone recommended that you gain or lose weight?	☐	☐
38. Are you on a special diet or do you avoid certain types of foods or food groups?	☐	☐
39. Have you ever had an eating disorder?	☐	☐
40. How do you currently identify your gender? ☐ M ☐ F ☐ Other _____		

41. Over the last 2 weeks, how often have you been bothered by any of the following problems? *(check box)*	NOT AT ALL	SEVERAL DAYS	OVER HALF THE DAYS	NEARLY EVERY DAY
Feeling nervous, anxious, or on edge	0 ☐	1 ☐	2 ☐	3 ☐
Not being able to stop or control worrying	0 ☐	1 ☐	2 ☐	3 ☐
Little interest or pleasure in doing things	0 ☐	1 ☐	2 ☐	3 ☐
Feeling down, depressed, or hopeless	0 ☐	1 ☐	2 ☐	3 ☐

(A sum of 3 or more is considered positive on either subscale [questions 1 and 2, or questions 3 and 4] for screening purposes) Patient Health Questionnaire Version 4 (PHQ-4)

FEMALES ONLY:	YES	NO
42. Have you ever had a menstrual period?	☐	☐
43. If yes, are you experiencing any problems or changes with athletic participation (i.e., irregularity, pain, etc.)?	☐	☐
44. How old were you when you had your first menstrual period?		
45. When was your most recent menstrual period?		
46. How many menstrual periods have you had in the past 12 months?		

Explain all Yes answers here from the previous two pages

Parents/Students: Complete the Medical Eligibility Form (page 4) and the KSHSAA Eligibility Checklist (page 5).

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KSHSAA PRE-PARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION FORM

Name _____ Date of birth _____

Date of recent immunizations: Td Tdap Hep B Varicella HPV Meningococcal

PHYSICIAN REMINDERS

1. **Review the health history on pages 1 & 2 AND the student information section on page 4, prior to the exam.**
2. **Consider additional questions on more sensitive issues**
   - Do you feel stressed out or under a lot of pressure?
   - Do you ever feel sad, hopeless, depressed, or anxious?
   - Do you feel safe at your home or residence?
   - Have you ever tried cigarettes, e-cigarettes, chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip?
   - During the past 30 days, did you use chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip?
   - Do you drink alcohol or use any other drugs?
   - Have you ever taken anabolic steroids or used any other performance enhancing supplement?
   - Have you ever taken any supplements to help you gain or lose weight or improve your performance?
   - Do you wear a seat belt, use a helmet and adhere to safe sex practices?
3. **Consider reviewing questions on cardiovascular symptoms (questions 5-14 of History Form).**
4. **Per Kansas statute, any school athlete who has sustained a concussion shall not return to competition or practice until the athlete is evaluated by a healthcare provider and the healthcare provider (MD or DO only) provides such athlete a written clearance to return to play or practice.**
5. **Per Kansas Statute, students indicated as biological male at birth may not participate on girls teams.**

EXAMINATION		
Height Weight Male ☐ Female ☐ BP *(reference gender/height/age chart)***** / (/) Pulse		
Vision R 20/ L 20/ Corrected: Yes ☐ No ☐		
MEDICAL	**NORMAL**	**ABNORMAL FINDINGS**
Appearance — Marfan stigmata (kyphoscoliosis, high-arched palate, pectus excavatum, arachnodactyly, hyperlaxity, myopia, mitral valve prolapse [MVP], and aortic insufficiency)		
Eyes/ears/nose/throat — Pupils equal, Gross Hearing		
Lymph nodes		
Heart * — Murmurs (auscultation standing, auscultation supine, and ± Valsalva maneuver)		
Pulses — Simultaneous femoral and radial pulses		
Lungs		
Abdomen		
Skin — Herpes simplex virus (HSV), lesions suggestive of methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus* aureus (MRSA), or tinea corporis		
Neurological***		
Genitourinary (optional-males only)**		
MUSCULOSKELETAL	**NORMAL**	**ABNORMAL FINDINGS**
Neck		
Back		
Shoulder/arm		
Elbow/forearm		
Wrist/hand/fingers		
Hip/thigh		
Knee		
Leg/ankle		
Foot/toes		
Functional — e.g. double-leg squat test, single-leg squat test, and box drop or step drop test		

*Consider electrocardiography (ECG), echocardiography, referral to a cardiologist for abnormal cardiac history or examination findings, or a combination of those. **Consider GU exam if in appropriate medical setting. Having third party present is recommended. ***Consider cognitive evaluation or baseline neuropsychiatric testing if a significant history of concussion. ****Flynn JT, Kaelber DC, Baker-Smith CM, et al. Clinical Practice Guideline for Screening and Management of High Blood Pressure in Children and Adolescents. Pediatrics. 2017;140(3):e20171904.

Healthcare Providers: You must complete the Medical Eligibility Form on the following page.

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KSHSAA PRE-PARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION

MEDICAL ELIGIBILITY FORM - PARENT/STUDENT SECTION

Student Name: Date of Birth: Sex at Birth: Grade:

Home Address: Height: Weight:

Home Phone: Parent Email:

Emergency Contact(s): Phone:

STUDENT INFORMATION	YES	NO		YES	NO
Do you have any current or past medical conditions in which the school should be aware?	☐	☐	Have you ever had a heat stroke, or become sick while exercising in the heat?	☐	☐
Have you ever had surgery?	☐	☐	Do you have asthma?	☐	☐
Do you have any allergies?	☐	☐	If yes, do you use an inhaler?	☐	☐
Do you have any cardiac/heart issues?	☐	☐	Do you or a family member have sickle cell trait or disease?	☐	☐
Have you ever had a seizure?	☐	☐	Are you missing any organs?	☐	☐
Have you ever had a concussion?	☐	☐	Have you ever spent the night in a hospital?	☐	☐
Do you have diabetes?	☐	☐	Are you currently taking any prescription medications?	☐	☐
If yes, do you take insulin?	☐	☐	Are you currently taking any nutritional supplements?	☐	☐

Please explain any "YES" answers above:

HEALTHCARE PROVIDER SECTION

☐ Medically eligible for all sports without restriction.

☐ Medically eligible for all sports without restriction. **Recommend further evaluation/treatment (see comments below*).**

☐ Medically eligible for certain sports **(see comments below*).**

☐ Not medically eligible for any sports. ☐ Not medically eligible for any sports pending further evaluation **(see comments below*).**

*Comments/Recommendations:

I have reviewed all patient information provided and completed the preparticipation physical examination of the student named on this form. The athlete does not have apparent clinical contraindications to practice and can participate in the sport(s) as outlined on this form, except as indicated above. If conditions arise after the athlete has been cleared for participation, the physician may rescind the medical eligibility until the problem is resolved and the potential consequences are completely explained to the athlete (and parents or guardians).

Name of healthcare provider (print or type): Date of Examination:

X Signature of healthcare provider: MD, DO, DC, PA-C, APRN

Provider address: Provider phone:

PARENT OR GUARDIAN CONSENT:

To be eligible for participation in interscholastic athletics/spirit groups, a student must have on file with the superintendent or principal, a signed statement by a physician, chiropractor, physician's assistant who has been authorized to perform this examination by their state's law and licensing body, or an advanced practice registered nurse who has been authorized to perform this examination by their state's law and licensing body, certifying the student has passed an adequate physical examination and is physically fit to participate (See KSHSAA Handbook, Rule 7). A complete history and physical examination must be performed annually before a student participates in KSHSAA interscholastic athletics/cheerleading.

I do not know of any existing physical or any additional health reasons that would preclude participation in activities. I certify that the answers to the questions in the HISTORY part of the Preparticipation Physical Examination (PPE), are true and accurate. I understand that any false or misleading information provided as part of this exam could result in disqualification from activity participation for my child and my child's teams. I approve participation in activities. I hereby authorize release to my child's medical providers, school medical personnel (whether employee or independent contractor of the school), school administration, school coaches, and KSHSAA the information contained in this document. I acknowledge I may choose to only submit to my child's school this medical eligibility page in lieu of the entire history and physical exam document. Upon written request, I may receive a copy of this document for my own personal health care records.

I acknowledge that there are risks of participating, including the possibility of catastrophic injury. I hereby give my consent for the above student to compete in KSHSAA approved activities, and to accompany school representatives on school trips and receive emergency medical treatment when necessary. It is understood that neither the KSHSAA nor the school assumes any responsibility in case of accident. The undersigned agrees to be responsible for the safe return of all equipment issued by the school to the student.

X Signature of parent/guardian: Date: Phone:

The parties to this document agree that an electronic signature is intended to make this writing effective and binding and to have the same force and effect as the use of a manual signature.

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ATTENTION PARENTS AND STUDENTS: KSHSAA ELIGIBILITY CHECKLIST

Student Name: Date of Birth: *(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)*

NOTE: Transfer Rule 18 states in part, a student is eligible transfer-wise if:

BEGINNING SEVENTH GRADER—A seventh grader, at the beginning of his or her seventh grade year, is eligible under the Transfer Rule at any school he or she may choose to attend. In addition, age and academic eligibility requirements must also be met.

BEGINNING NINTH GRADERS IN A THREE-YEAR JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL—So that ninth graders of a three-year junior high are treated equally to ninth graders of a four-year senior high school, a student who has successfully completed the eighth grade of a two-year junior high/middle school, may transfer to the ninth grade of a three-year junior high school at the beginning of the school year and be eligible immediately under the Transfer Rule. Such a ninth grader must then, as a tenth grader, attend the feeder senior high school of their school system. Should they attend a different school as a tenth grader, they would be ineligible for eighteen weeks.

ENTERING HIGH SCHOOL FOR THE FIRST TIME—A senior high school student is eligible under the Transfer Rule at any senior high school he or she may choose to attend when senior high is entered for the first time at the beginning of the school year. In addition, age and academic eligibility requirements must also be met.

For Middle/Junior High and Senior High School Students to Retain Eligibility

Schools may have stricter rules than those pertaining to the questions above or listed below. Contact the principal or coach on any matter of eligibility. A student eligible to participate in interscholastic activities must be certified by the school principal as meeting all eligibility standards.

All KSHSAA rules and regulations are published in the official *KSHSAA Handbook* which is distributed annually to schools and is available at *www.kshsaa.org*.

Below Are Brief Summaries Of Selected Rules. Please See Your Principal For Complete Information.

Rule 7 — Physical Evaluation - Parental Consent—Students shall have passed the **attached evaluation** and have the written consent of their parents or legal guardian.

Rule 14 — Bona Fide Student—Eligible students shall be a **bona fide undergraduate member** of his/her school in good standing.

Rule 15 — Enrollment/Attendance—Students must be regularly **enrolled and in attendance** not later than Monday of the fourth week of the semester in which they participate.

Rule 16 — Semester Requirements—A student shall not have more than two semesters of possible eligibility in grade seven and two semesters in grade eight. A student shall not have more than eight consecutive semesters of possible eligibility in grades nine through twelve, regardless of whether the ninth grade is included in junior high or in a senior high school.

NOTE: If a student does not participate or is ineligible due to transfer, scholarship, etc., the semester(s) during that period shall be counted toward the total number of semesters possible.

Rule 17 — Age Requirements—Students are eligible if they are not 19 years of **age** *(16, 15 or 14 for junior high or middle school student)* on or before August 1 of the school year in which they compete.

Rule 19 — Undue Influence—The use of **undue influence** by any person to secure or retain a student shall cause ineligibility. If tuition is charged or reduced, it shall meet the requirements of the KSHSAA.

Rules 20/21 — Amateur and Awards Rules—Students are eligible if they have not **competed under a false name** or for money or merchandise of intrinsic value, and have observed all other provisions of the Amateur and Awards Rules.

Rule 22 — Outside Competition—Students may not engage in **outside competition** in the same sport during a season in which they are representing their school.

NOTE: Consult the coach, athletic director or principal before participating individually or on a team in any game, training session, contest, or tryout conducted by an outside organization.

Rule 25 — Anti-Fraternity—Students are eligible if they are not members of any **fraternity** or other organization prohibited by law or by the rules of the KSHSAA.

Rule 26 — Anti-Tryout and Private Instruction—Students are eligible if they have not participated in **training sessions or tryouts** held by colleges or other outside agencies or organizations in the same sport while a member of a school athletic team.

Rule 30 — Seasons of Sport—Students are not eligible for more than **four seasons** in one sport in a four-year high school, three seasons in a three-year high school or two seasons in a two-year high school.

For Middle/Junior High and Senior High School Students to Determine Eligibility When Enrolling

If a **negative** response is given to any of the following questions, this enrollee should contact his/her administrator in charge of evaluating eligibility. This should be done before the student is allowed to attend his/her first class and prior to the first activity practice. If questions still exist, the school administrator should telephone the KSHSAA for a final determination of eligibility. *(Schools shall process a Certificate of Transfer Form T-E on **all** transfer students.)*

	YES	NO	
1.	☐	☐	Are you a bona fide student in **good standing** in school? (If there is a question, your principal will make that determination.)
2.	☐	☐	Did you **pass at least five new subjects (those not previously passed)** last semester? *(The KSHSAA has a minimum regulation which requires you to pass at least five subjects of unit weight in your last semester of attendance.)*
3.	☐	☐	Are you planning to **enroll in at least five new subjects (those not previously passed)** of unit weight this coming semester? *(The KSHSAA has a minimum regulation which requires you to enroll and be in attendance in at least five subjects of unit weight.)*
4.	☐	☐	Did you **attend** this school or a feeder school in your district last semester? *(If the answer is "no" to this question, please answer Sections a and b.)*
	☐	☐	a. Do you reside with your parents?
	☐	☐	b. If you reside with your parents, have they made a permanent and bona fide move into your school's attendance center?

The above named student and I have read the KSHSAA Eligibility Checklist and how to retain eligibility information listed in this form. The student/parent authorizes the school to release to the KSHSAA student records and other pertinent documents and information for the purpose of determining student eligibility. The student/parent also authorizes the school and the KSHSAA to publish the name and picture of student as a result of participating in or attending extra-curricular activities, school events and KSHSAA activities or events.

Signature of parent/guardian _____ **Date** _____

Signature of student _____ **Grade**_____ **Date** _____

The parties to this document agree that an electronic signature is intended to make this writing effective and binding and to have the same force and effect as the use of a manual signature.

LAWRENCE PUBLIC SCHOOLS USD 497

ATHLETIC INSURANCE COMPLIANCE: School Year 2025-2026

Student's Name _____
(Last) (First) (Middle Initial)

Grade _____ School _____ Date of Birth ____/____/____ Date of Last Tetanus _____/_____/_____

Home Address _____ Telephone _____
Zip code

Father's/Guardian's Name _____ Phone _____

Mother's Name _____ Phone _____

In case of emergency, if we cannot contact a parent:

Name _____ Phone _____ Relationship _____

Family Physician _____ Business Phone _____

As required by the Kansas State School Athletic Association, all students participating in athletics and cheerleading must be protected by accident insurance for catastrophic injuries exceeding **$25,000**. This coverage is provided by the athletic participation fee paid by each participant.

In addition, *school policy requires* that all participants in school sponsored activities provide proof of medical insurance coverage for treatment up to **$25,000**.

Compliance with this regulation can be accomplished by one or both of the following options:

OPTION 1++ Provide the company name and policy number of the insurance carrier providing medical insurance protecting the student participant.

OPTION 2** Purchase individual, voluntary, student insurance coverage from the insurance plans made available to Lawrence Public Schools' students through an independent carrier. (Information provided by the insurance company is available in the school office)
Coverage is limited – you are encouraged to read the policy carefully and check with the company for details.

I have read the above policy and will comply with the conditions of self-acceptance for participation in school sponsored activities as follows:

++OPTION 1 I certify that _____ is protected by medical insurance for treatment **up to at least $25,000**:
(student name)

Company Name _____ Policy/Group Plan Number _____
(required information) **(required information)**

COMPLETE OPTION TWO ONLY IF YOU PURCHASED INSURANCE PLAN AVAILABLE TO LAWRENCE PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS THROUGH AN INDEPENDENT CARRIER

****OPTION 2** I certify that _____(student name) is protected for medical treatment **up to at least $25,000** through an individual, voluntary, student insurance plan and that application has been submitted **to the Company** with the required premium for this coverage. ***PROOF OF COVERAGE REQUIRED FOR OPTION 2***

MEDICAL AUTHORIZATION

In the event that my child becomes ill or is injured, and I, or the authorized physician listed above, cannot be immediately contacted at the time of an emergency, and if in the judgment of the staff of Lawrence Public Schools USD #497, immediate observation or treatment is required, I authorize and direct said staff members to arrange transportation for my child (properly accompanied) to the nearest medical facility for assessment and/or treatment. This document further authorizes and empowers any faculty/staff member of USD #497 to sign or grant any and all medical, dental, surgical, optometry or similar such authorizations to any licensed medical doctor, surgeon, dentist, optometrist, nurse or similar person trained in the healing arts as may be reasonable and necessary for the treatment of my child, during any time that my child may be under the supervision of USD #497 staff, for any school-related activity or athletic event.

Date _____ Signature of Parent/Guardian _____

(MUST BE SIGNED IN FRONT OF A NOTARY PUBLIC – FORM NOT ACCEPTED WITHOUT NOTARY STAMP & SIGNATURE)

State of Kansas County of _____

Subscribed and sworn before me this _____ day of _____ in the year of _____.

_____
(Signature of Notary Public)

My commission expires: _____

(Seal)

KSHSAA RECOMMENDED CONCUSSION & HEAD INJURY INFORMATION RELEASE FORM 2026-2027

A sports related concussion is a traumatic brain injury, caused by a direct blow to the head, neck, or body resulting in an impulsive force being transmitted to the brain that occurs in sports and exercise related activity. Symptoms and signs may present immediately or evolve over minutes to days. Sports related concussions commonly resolve within days but may be prolonged. **All concussions are potentially serious and may result in complications including prolonged brain damage and death if not recognized and managed properly.** If a student reports any symptoms of concussion, or if you notice the symptoms or signs of concussion yourself, seek medical attention right away.

Symptoms may include one or more of the following:	
• Headaches/"Pressure in head" • Nausea or vomiting • Neck pain • Balance problems or dizziness • Blurred, double, or fuzzy vision • Sensitivity to light or noise • Feeling sluggish or slowed down • Feeling foggy or groggy • Drowsiness	• Change in sleep patterns • "Don't feel right" • Unexplained nervousness, anxiety, irritability, sadness • Confusion • Concentration or memory problems (forgetting sport assignments) • Repeating the same question/comment

Signs observed by teammates, parents, and coaches include:	
• Actual or suspected loss of consciousness • Seizure • Tonic posturing • Ataxia (clumsy voluntary movements) • Poor balance • Appears dazed • Vacant facial expression • Confusion	• Forgets sport plays/assignments • Is unsure of game, score, or opponent • Answers questions slowly • Slurred speech • Shows behavior or personality changes • Can't recall events prior to injury • Can't recall events after injury

RED FLAGS: Call an Ambulance	
• Neck pain or tenderness • Seizure, 'fits', or convulsion • Loss of vision or double vision • Loss of consciousness • Increased confusion or deteriorating conscious state (becoming less responsive, drowsy)	• Weakness or numbness/tingling in more than one arm or leg • Repeated vomiting • Severe or increasing headache • Increasingly restless, agitated or combative • Visible deformity of the skull

What can happen if my child keeps playing with a concussion or returns too soon?

Athletes with the signs and symptoms of concussion should be removed from play immediately. Continuing to play with the signs and symptoms of a concussion leaves the young athlete especially vulnerable to greater injury. There is an increased risk of significant damage from a concussion for a period of time after that concussion occurs, particularly if the athlete suffers another concussion before completely recovering from the first one (second impact syndrome). This can lead to prolonged recovery, or even to severe brain swelling with devastating and even fatal consequences. It is well known that adolescent or teenage athletes will often under report symptoms of injuries, and

concussions are no different. As a result, education of administrators, coaches, parents and students is the key for student-athlete's safety.

If you think your child has suffered a concussion

Any athlete even suspected of suffering a concussion should be removed from the game or practice immediately and an urgent referral to a health care provider should be arranged (if not already onsite). No athlete may return to activity after sustaining a concussion, regardless of how mild it seems or how quickly symptoms clear, without written medical clearance from a Medical Doctor (MD) or Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DO). Close observation of the athlete should continue for several hours. You should also inform your child's coach if you think that your child may have a concussion. Remember it is better to miss one game than miss the whole season. **When in doubt, the athlete sits out!**

Cognitive Rest & Return to Learn

The first step in concussion recovery is relative rest for the first 24-48 hours. During this time students may participate in activities of daily living and may perform light physical activity, such as walking, provided symptoms are not more than mildly exacerbated for only a brief (less than an hour) period of time. Reduced screen time is also recommended during the first day or two after injury. Students should be encouraged to return back to a normal routine as quickly as possible, tolerating a mild exacerbation of symptoms with mental activity.

Students may need adjustments to their academic workload for a short period of time while recovering from a concussion. Trying to meet all academic requirements too soon after sustaining a concussion may more than mildly exacerbate symptoms and delay recovery. Any academic modifications should be coordinated jointly between the student's medical providers and school personnel. To minimize academic and social disruptions, in most cases it is recommended students not be completely isolated, even for a short period of time. Rather students should continue to participate in activities of daily living that do not more than mildly exacerbate concussion symptoms.

Return to Practice and Competition

The Kansas School Sports Head Injury Prevention Act (72-7119) provides that if an athlete suffers, or is suspected of having suffered, a concussion or head injury during a competition or practice, the athlete must be immediately removed from the competition or practice and cannot return to practice or competition until a Health Care Professional has evaluated the athlete and provided a written authorization to return to practice and competition. The KSHSAA recommends that an athlete not return to practice or competition the same day the athlete suffers or is suspected of suffering a concussion. The KSHSAA also recommends that an athlete's return to practice and competition should follow a graduated protocol under the supervision of the health care provider (MD or DO).

For current and up-to-date information on concussions you can go to:
http://www.cdc.gov/headsup/index.html

For concussion information and educational resources collected by the KSHSAA, go to:
http://www.kshsaa.org/Public/SportsMedicine/ConcussionGuidelines.cfm

Student-athlete Name Printed	Student-athlete Signature	Date
Parent or Legal Guardian Printed	Parent or Legal Guardian Signature	Date

The parties to this document agree that an electronic signature is intended to make this writing effective and binding and to have the same force and effect as the use of a manual signature.

Revised by KSHSAA SMAC 04/24
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Revised 04/14

Lawrence Public Schools
District Code of Conduct Policy
Rev 8/2019

Student

I have read, understand, and agree to obey the rules and obligations of the Lawrence Public Schools District Policy Code of Conduct Policy that pertains to me as a participant in the athletic/activities programs in the Lawrence Public Schools District, and as such Code of Conduct may from time to time be amended.

Please Print:

Last Name _____ First Name _____ MI ___

Year of High School Graduation _____ Legal Gender M F
(please circle)

_____ _____
Signature of Student Date of Signature

Parent/Legal Guardian

I acknowledge receiving the Lawrence Public Schools School District Policy Code of Conduct Policy and accept my responsibility to help my student obey the requirements and obligations of athletic/activities participation as outlined in the Policy, as it may be from time to time amended. I agree to cooperate with the sponsor, coaches, and administration should my child be subject to any of the possible set forth in the Policy.

_____ _____
Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian Date of Signature

Lawrence Public Schools
CODE OF CONDUCT POLICY
Rev 8/2019

PART I: COMMITMENT
If you are a member of a team/squad, you are expected to fulfill this commitment. If you choose not to continue membership, this exit procedure should be followed:

1. Coach and athlete or participant must meet to discuss decision to terminate team or squad membership.
2. Provide notification to athletic director.
3. Confirmation by coach that school issued equipment has been returned and a list of financial obligations turned into the financial office.

PART II: KSHSAA RULES All activity participants will at all times comply with applicable rules of KSHSAA, including without limitation Rule 14, a copy of which is attached.

PART III: ATTENDANCE to participate in athletic practice and/or competition and other school sponsored activities, a student must be in attendance at least half the school day. Exceptions will include the following:

1. School sponsored field trip.
2. Family emergency.
3. Court appearance.
4. Verified professional appointment.

PART IV: SUSPENSION Students on out of school or in school suspension may not participate or attend practice or competition on the date of suspension and until reinstated as a student in good standing by school administrators and coach. Individual schools will manage suspensions.

PART V: PERFORMANCE ENHANCING SUPPLEMENTS The athletic departments of Lawrence Public Schools hold the following beliefs regarding the use of the performance enhancing supplements (including, but not limited to, e.g. creatine, protein supplements, Ripped Fuel, testosterone) by our student athletes:

1. We believe it is in the best interest of each student athlete to seek the advice of their own personal physician, and in collaboration with the family, make an informed decision as to the use of performance enhancing supplements other than anabolic steroids.
2. We believe that in order to become a complete student athlete, the individual must understand and exercise a strong work ethic.
3. We expect that through this work ethic, the athlete or participant will develop true commitment, dedication, and passion for their sport or activity. This includes NOT taking shortcuts to achieve their goals.

According to the Kansas State High School Activities Association regulations, any student who uses anabolic steroids is ineligible until such time as medical evidence is provided that his/her system is free of that drug. The cost of the assessment for reinstatement is to be paid by parent/guardian or student.

PART VI: SANCTIONS FOR STUDENTS UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ILLEGAL DRUGS, NON-PRESCRIBED CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES, ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO (see board policy JCDAA)

Because the use of alcohol, illegal drugs, and tobacco is detrimental to the health and welfare of individuals and because the use of alcohol and illegal drugs and the purchase of tobacco products are illegal for Kansas adolescents, the use of any such substances by any Lawrence School District activity participant is prohibited.

With the exception of prescription medication being used only by the student named on the prescription, the use, distribution, possession or being under the influence of illegal drugs, including anabolic steroids, alcohol or tobacco, on or off school property, will be considered a violation of this policy once a student becomes a member of a school athletic team or related squad.

Compliance with this policy does not end with the cessation of a particular activity season. Violations accumulate from activity season to activity season and from year to year (grades 7-8 and then reset for grades 9-12 in an interscholastic career). **All violations are accumulative and do not end with a sport season or school year.**

The following procedures and penalties will be followed with regard to violations of this Policy:

Upon the first alleged violation: The school administrator will conduct an investigation. The school administrator will conduct a hearing after providing notice to the student and parent/guardian regarding the possible violation. If, after the hearing, it is determined in the judgment of the administrator that a violation did occur, the student will immediately or at the start of the next season, be suspended for 25% of the season (based on number of games*), for the sport or activity competition, unless the student is ineligible for participation under KSHSAA rules.

Upon the second alleged violation: The school administrator will conduct an investigation. The school administrator will conduct a hearing after providing notice to the student and parent/guardian regarding the possible violation. If, after the hearing, it is determined in the judgment of the administrator that a second violation did occur, the student shall be suspended from participation in school sponsored activities and/or competitions for 50% of the season (based on number of games*), unless the student is ineligible for participation under KSHSAA rules.

Upon the third and subsequent alleged The school administrator will conduct an investigation. The school administrator will conduct a hearing after providing notice to the student and parent/guardian regarding the possible violation. If, after the hearing, it is determined in the judgment of the administrator that a third violation did occur, the student shall be referred to the Activities Review Committee which is appointed by the Superintendent or his/her designee, to determine the length of suspension from athletics/activities.

Self-Disclosure: A first self-disclosure will result the student being suspended 10% of the season (based on number of games*), or a minimum of one game. Parent/Guardian will be notified of the disclosure and length of suspension. A second self-disclosure becomes a first violation under the procedures described above.

Return to practice: Upon a determination a student has violated the Code of Conduct, the school administrator may determine it is in the student's best interest to continue practicing with the team during the period of suspension. If the violation was a drug, alcohol, or tobacco related offense, the school administrator may recommend or require, as appropriate, an assessment by a licensed drug-alcohol agency to assist the student with strategies to avoid further violations. This counseling may be a condition to return to practice. The school administrator will work with the parent/guardian to determine if school based services are available and appropriate or whether it is advisable for the student to be seen by an outside agency.

***When computing the number of games to be suspended, numbers will be rounded up to the nearest whole number. (ex. 25% of a 14 game season would be 3.5 games, student would be suspended 4 games)**

PART VII: CRIMINAL CONDUCT, CHARGES AND CONVICTIONS

Because the administration, athletic director, coaches, sponsors, and patrons of the Lawrence School District are concerned with the behavior of students involved in interscholastic and other extracurricular activities, except as provided above, the following procedures and penalties will be enforced when students who are members of school athletic teams, spirit organizations, or other school extracurricular activities engage in conduct which would constitute a crime, or are charged with and/or convicted of a misdemeanor or felony crime. (A) Upon a student being charged by municipal, state or federal law enforcement authorities with commission of a crime, if the administration has reason to believe there is substantial basis for the charge and that continuation in interscholastic or other extracurricular activities might adversely reflect on the school, the student, or adversely affect the activity, school personnel and other students, the student will be suspended from all such activities pending the outcome of the case.

If the student is found innocent in municipal, state or federal court of the charge, or upon dismissal of the charge (other than pursuant to a diversion agreement), the student will be immediately reinstated to participate in such activities. If the student is found guilty or pleads guilty to a felony offense, or enters into a diversion agreement pertaining to the felony charge, but is otherwise in good standing as determined by the Activities Review Committee in Lawrence Public Schools, and has met eligibility requirements as set by the Kansas State High School Activities Association, the student may be reinstated to participation in such activities, subject to the following conditions:

1. The student is not thereafter charged with or found guilty of another crime, and has not entered into a diversion agreement with regard to another crime.
2. The student continues to demonstrate proper behavior, both in and out of classes in Lawrence Public Schools, including school activities, extracurricular activities, athletic events, dances, assemblies, etc.
3. The student is not removed from any class as a result of disruptive behavior or does not receive either an out of school or in school suspension for the remainder of the time that the student attends Lawrence Public Schools.
4. The administration determines that the student's participation will not pose a threat to the safety or wellbeing of other students and school personnel, or will not otherwise adversely affect the school or the activity.

Tryout & Participant Agreement

Activities, Athletics and Spirit Squads

LAWRENCE Public Schools

School Year: _____

All decisions involving playing time, position designations, and lettering criteria are the sole decision of the coaches involved in that program.

All candidates selected during a tryout process will be chosen by the designated judges or coaches in attendance at the tryout site. In the event a candidate is able to participate in only a portion of the tryout or is unable to complete the entire tryout, it will be at the discretion of the coach or sponsor and his/her assistants as to whether the candidate will be selected as a member of the team or performing group.

Coaches or sponsors must be informed of any injury, illness, or any other reason that would prevent a candidate from participating in tryouts prior to the tryouts. In addition, membership on a team or activity in a previous year or season does not guarantee membership during the current year or season.

All sports/spirit squads require a participation fee of $50.00 per sport/activity and a fee of $25.00 for an activity ticket. The participation and activity ticket fees help offset the cost of the athletic program and will not have any effect on an athlete's amount of playing time. DO NOT PAY FEES UNTIL THEY HAVE BEEN ASSESSED ON POWER SCHOOL

STUDENT ATHLETE: By electronically signing this form I agree to fulfill the duties, obligations, and follow all rules and requirements to be a member of my chosen school sponsored team or group. I understand the necessity of good sportsmanship and cooperation with the other team members, coaches, sponsors, teachers and school officials. I will do my best to represent my school. I understand that, in the event I am not able to participate in or complete the tryout, my coach or sponsor shall make the final determination with regard to my membership on the team or group.

I understand that membership on a team or activity in a previous year or season does not guarantee membership during the current year or season and that decisions involving playing me, position designations, and lettering criteria are the sole decision of the coaches involved in that program.

X_____ Date: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN: By electronically signing this form I agree I understand there are rules and regulations for my child to be a member of a school sponsored team or group. I will do my best to cooperate with and support coaches, sponsors, teachers and school officials. I will help my child to maintain or exceed the requirements and obligations as stated for each group or activity. I understand that, in the event my child is physically unable to participate in or complete the tryouts, the coach and sponsor shall make the final determination with regard to membership on the team or group.
I understand that membership on a team or activity in a previous year or season does not guarantee membership during the current year or season and that decisions involving playing time, position designations, and lettering criteria are the sole decision of the coaches involved in that program.

X_____ Date: _____

*Fees are subject to change. All activity tickets and participation fees are set by LPS. Each sport may have associated out-of-pocket expenses.