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Part 1. Student Acknowledgement and Release (to be signed by student).

I have read the (condensed) FHSAA Eligibility Rules printed on page 2 of this "Consent and Release Certificate" and know of no reason why I am not eligible to represent my school in interscholastic athletic competition. If accepted as a representative, I agree to follow the rules of my school and the FHSAA and to abide by their decisions. I know that athletic participation is a privilege. I know of the risks involved in athletic participation, understand that serious injury, including the potential for a concussion, and even death, is possible in such participation, and choose to accept such risks. I voluntarily accept any and all responsibility for my own safety and welfare while participating in athletics, with full understanding of the risks involved. Should I be 18 years of age or older, or should I be emancipated from my parent(s)/guardian(s), I hereby release and hold harmless my school, the schools against which it competes, the contest officials, The School District of Escambia County, and the FHSAA of any and all responsibility and liability for any injury or claim resulting from such athletic participation and agree to take no legal action against The School District of Escambia County or the FHSAA because of any accident or mishap involving my athletic participation. I hereby authorize the use or disclosure of my individually identifiable health information should treatment for illness or injury become necessary. I hereby grant to FHSAA the right to review all records relevant to my athletic eligibility including, but not limited to, my records relating to enrollment and attendance, academic standing, age, discipline, finances, residence and physical fitness. I hereby grant the released parties the right to photograph and/or videotape me and further to use my name, face, likeness, voice and appearance in connection with exhibitions, publicity, advertising, promotional and commercial materials without reservation or limitation. The released parties, however, are under no obligation to exercise said rights herein. I understand that the authorizations and rights granted herein are voluntary and that I may revoke any or all of them at any time by submitting said revocation in writing to my school. By doing so, however, I understand that I will no longer be eligible for participation in interscholastic athletics.

I HAVE READ THIS CAREFULLY AND KNOW IT CONTAINS A RELEASE.

Name of Student (printed)

Signature of Student

Date

Part 2. Parental/Guardian Consent, Acknowledgement and Release

(to be completed and signed by all parents/guardians; (where divorced or separated, parent/guardian with legal custody must sign), and notarized).

A. I/we hereby give consent for our child/ward to participate in any FHSAA recognized or sanctioned sport except for the following sport(s):

List sport(s) exceptions here

B. I/we understand that participation may necessitate an early dismissal from classes.

C. I/we know of, and acknowledge that my child/ward knows of, the risks involved in interscholastic athletic participation, understand that serious injury, and even death, is possible in such participation and choose to accept any and all responsibility for his/her safety and welfare while participating in athletics. With full understanding of the risks involved, I/we release and hold harmless my child's/ward's school, the School District of Escambia County, the schools against which it competes, the contest officials and FHSAA of any and all responsibility and liability for any injury or claim resulting from such athletic participation and agree to take no legal action against the FHSAA or The School District of Escambia County because of any accident or mishap involving the athletic participation of my child/ward. I authorize emergency medical treatment for my child/ward should the need arise for such treatment while my child/ward is under the supervision of the school. I/we further hereby authorize the use or disclosure of my child's/ward's individually identifiable health information should treatment for illness or injury become necessary. I/we consent to the disclosure, by my child's/ward's school, to the FHSAA, upon its request, of all records relevant to his/her athletic eligibility including, but not limited to, his/her records relating to enrollment and attendance, academic standing, age, discipline, finances, residence and physical fitness. I/we grant the released parties the right to photograph and/or videotape my child/ward and further to use said child's/ward's name, face, likeness, voice and appearance in connection with exhibitions, publicity, advertising, promotional and commercial materials without reservation or limitation. The released parties, however, are under no obligation to exercise said rights herein.

D. I/we understand that the authorizations and rights granted herein are voluntary and that I/we may revoke any or all of them at any time by submitting said revocation in writing to my school. By doing so, however, I/we understand that my/our child/ward will no longer be eligible for participation in interscholastic athletics.

E. Please check the appropriate box(es):

My/our child/ward is covered under our family health insurance plan, which has limits of not less than \$25,000. **(Please attach a photo copy of proof of insurance.)**

Company: _____ Policy Number: _____

My/our child/ward is covered by his/her school's activities medical base insurance plan.

I HAVE READ THIS CAREFULLY AND KNOW IT CONTAINS A RELEASE. (Only one parent/guardian signature is required.)

Name of Parent/Guardian (printed)

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Name of Parent/Guardian (printed)

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

State of Florida / County of Escambia

Before me personally appeared _____ to me well known and known to be the person(s) described in and who executed the forgoing instrument and acknowledged to and before me that _____ executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal, this _____ day of _____ A. D. 20____

My commission expires _____

Notary Public, State of Florida

No student will be allowed to practice or play in any organized sports activity until this document is signed, notarized and returned to the Athletic Department.

High School Athletic Consent and Release from Liability Certificate

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Attention Student and Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

Your school is a member of the Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA) and follows established rules. To be eligible to represent your school in interscholastic athletics, in an FHSAA recognized sport (i.e. bowling, competitive cheerleading, girls flag football, lacrosse, boys volleyball, water polo and girls weightlifting) or sanctioned sport (i.e. baseball, basketball, cross country, tackle football, golf, soccer, fast-pitch softball, swimming & diving, tennis, track & field, girls volleyball, boys weightlifting and wrestling), the student:

1. Must be regularly enrolled and in regular attendance at your school. If the student is a home education student or attends a charter school, the student must declare in writing his/her intention to participate in athletics to the school at which the student is permitted to participate. Home education students must be approved by the FHSAA office prior to any participation. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.2)
2. Must attend school within 10 days of the beginning of **each semester** to be eligible during **that semester**. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.2)
3. Must maintain at least a cumulative 2.0 grade point average on a 4.0 unweighted scale prior to the semester in which the student wishes to participate. This GPA must include all courses taken since the student entered high school. A sixth, seventh or eighth grade student must have earned at least a 2.0 grade point average on 4.0 unweighted scale the previous semester. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.4)
4. Must not have graduated from any high school or its equivalent. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.4)
5. Must participate at the school in which the student first enrolls (attends), or at which the student first takes part in an athletic practice, at the beginning of the school year. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.2)
6. Must not transfer schools after the first day of fall practice or the first day of school, or otherwise the student cannot participate at the new school for the remainder of the school year. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.3)
7. Must not participate on a non-school team (i.e., AAU, American Legion, club setting, etc.) which is affiliated with a school or coached by a representative of a school other than the one the student attends, or has attended, and then attend that school, otherwise the student will be ineligible there for one year. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.3)
8. Must not transfer to a school that the student's coach has relocated to within a year, otherwise the student will be ineligible there for one year. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.3)
9. Must not have **enrolled in the ninth grade for the first time** more than four school years ago. If the student is a sixth, seventh or eighth grade student, the student must not participate if repeating that grade. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.5)
10. Must have signed permission to participate from the student's parent(s)/guardian(s) on a form (9200-RMT-019-RH) provided by the school. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.8)
11. Must be less than 19 years 9 months old to participate in high school; 16 years 9 months old to participate in junior high school; and 15 years 9 months old to participate in middle school, otherwise the student becomes ineligible to participate at that level. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.6)
12. Must undergo a pre-participation physical evaluation and be certified as being physically fit for participation in interscholastic athletics (form 9200-RMT-019). The physical evaluation is valid for 365 calendar days from the date that it was administered after which time the student must successfully undergo another physical evaluation to continue his/her participation. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.7)
13. Must be an amateur. This means the student must not accept money, gift or donation for participation in a sport, or use a name other than his/her own when participating. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.9)
14. Must not participate in an all-star contest in a sport prior to completing his/her high school eligibility in that sport (FHSAA Policy 26)
15. Must display good sportsmanship and follow the rules of competition before, during and after every contest in which the student participates. If not, the student may be suspended from participation for a period of time. (FHSAA Bylaw 7.1)
16. Must not provide false information to his/her school or to the FHSAA to gain eligibility. (FHSAA Bylaw 9.1)
17. Foreign exchange and international students must be approved by the FHSAA office prior to any participation. (FHSAA Policy 17)

If the student is declared or ruled ineligible due to one or more of the FHSAA rules and regulations, the student has the right to request that the school file an appeal on behalf of the student. See the principal or athletic director for information regarding this process.