2021-2022 PITT COUNTY SCHOOLS
Athletic Participation Form

Name: _____ Gender: M F DOB: ____/____/____ Age: _____

Father's name: _____ Daytime phone/Cell phone: _____

Mother's name: _____ Daytime phone/Cell phone: _____

Athlete's address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Alternate emergency contact: _____ Relationship: _____ Phone: _____

Please indicate MEDICAL ALERTS such as allergic reactions, contact lenses, etc: _____

Name _____

Request for Permission: I, the student's parent/legal custodian, give my consent for the above named student to represent his/her school in interscholastic sports, **EXCEPT** for those indicated by listing here: _____.
Note: Pitt County Athletics include: Baseball, Basketball, Cheerleading, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Lacrosse, Soccer, Softball, Swimming, Tennis, Track, Volleyball, Wrestling, Wrestling Matt Maid, Athletic Training Student, and Student Team Manager.

Risk of Injury: We acknowledge and understand that there is a risk of injury involved in athletic participation. We understand that the student athlete will be under the supervision and direction of a Pitt County Schools (PCS) Athletic Coach. We agree to follow the rules of the sport and the instructions of the coach in order to reduce the risk of injury to the student and other athletes. However, we acknowledge and understand that neither the coach nor PCS can eliminate the risk of injury in sports. Injuries may and do occur. Sports injuries can be severe and in some cases may result in permanent disability or even death. We freely, knowingly, and willfully accept and assume the risk of injury that might occur from participation in athletics.

Education: We acknowledge that we have reviewed informational materials about the risk of injury in sports, common sport related conditions and injuries, and PCS Preventative Practices that are available at PittCountyAthletics.com

Release: In consideration of PCS allowing the student athlete to participate in athletics, we agree to release and hold PCS, its athletic coaches, contracted personnel, Athletic Trainers, and supervising physicians, harmless and indemnified from and against any and all claims, suits or cases of action arising from or out of any injury that the student-athlete may suffer from participation in athletics other than an injury resulting from gross or willful negligence.

Insurance: The Pitt County School System furnishes an Interscholastic Athletic Policy which provides limited benefits for all students in the system who participate in a school sponsored and supervised interscholastic athletic activities. The policy provides excess coverage for students with other insurance coverage, but it pays only when other benefits have been exhausted. In the case in which a student has no other coverage with either a commercial insurance agency, Medicare, or Medicaid, the PCS athletic insurance policy is the primary policy.

If your son or daughter should be injured while participating in a school sponsored or supervised interscholastic athletic event, the following procedures must be followed to process a claim under the insurance provided by PCS.

- Pick up an *Accident Claim Form* at your school.
- See a physician within 30 days of injury.
- Complete and submit the *Accident Claim Form*. The claim form must be filed with the insurance company within 90 days of the date of the injury and should include the *Explanation of Benefits Form* from your primary insurance carrier. Please list below the name of your primary carrier and the policy number.

_____ _____

Name of Insurance Company Policy Number

CERTIFICATION AND MEDICAL AUTHORIZATION: We certify that all of the information provided by us on this form is correct. We agree to abide by state and local rules. We give our consent for the student to receive a medical screening examination prior to participation in athletics that may include a computer-based activity to assess neurocognitive ability. If the student athlete is injured, we grant PCS, contracted personnel, athletic trainers, and supervising physicians' permission and authority to provide necessary medical care to my child. Treatment may include, but is not limited to, first aid, CPR, medical/surgical treatment recommended by a physician, attempts at joint relocation and invasive diagnostic procedures such as rectal thermometry.

Release of Medical Information:
I also give my permission for members of the Athletic Health Care Team and the treating physician to release and/or receive health related information needed to care for my child throughout the school year when necessary. The Athletic Health Care Team is listed at PittCountyAthletics.com

We, the undersigned student and parent, have read this document and understand and agree to the expectations for athletic participation at Pitt County Schools.

Student:	**Date:**
Parent/Custodian:	**Date:**

Gfeller-Waller NCHSAA Student-Athlete & Parent/Legal Custodian Concussion Statement Form

Instructions: The student athlete and his/her parent or legal custodian, must initial beside each statement acknowledging that they have read and understand the corresponding statement. The student-athlete should initial in the left column and the parent or legal custodian should initial in the right column. Some statements are applicable only to the student-athlete and should only be initialed by the student-athlete. This form must be completed for each student-athlete, even if there are multiple student-athletes in the household.

Student-Athlete Name: (please print)_____

Parent/Legal Custodian Name(s): (please print)_____

Student-Athlete Initials		Parent/Legal Custodian(s) Initials
	A concussion is a brain injury, which should be reported to my parent(s) or legal custodian(s), my or my child's coach(es), or a medical professional if one is available.	
	A concussion cannot be "seen." Some signs and symptoms might be present immediately; however, other symptoms can appear hours or days after an injury.	
	I will tell my parents, my coach and/or a medical professional about my injuries and illnesses.	Not Applicable
	If I think a teammate has a concussion, I should tell my coach(es), parent(s)/ legal custodian(s) or medical professional about the concussion.	Not Applicable
	I, or my child, will not return to play in a game or practice if a hit to my, or my child's, head or body causes any concussion-related symptoms.	
	I, or my child, will need written permission from a medical professional trained in concussion management to return to play or practice after a concussion.	
	Based on the latest data, most concussions take days or weeks to get better. A concussion may not go away, right away. I realize that resolution from a concussion is a process that may require more than one medical visit.	
	I realize that ER/Urgent Care physicians will not provide clearance to return to play or practice, if seen immediately or shortly after the injury.	
	After a concussion, the brain needs time to heal. I understand that I or my child is much more likely to have another concussion or more serious brain injury if return to play or practice occurs before concussion symptoms go away.	
	Sometimes, repeat concussions can cause serious and long-lasting problems.	
	I have read the concussion symptoms listed on the Student-Athlete/ Parent Legal Custodian Concussion Information Sheet.	
	I have asked an adult and/or medical professional to explain any information contained in the Student-Athlete & Parent Concussion Statement Form or Information Sheet that I do not understand.	

By signing below, we agree that we have read and understand the information contained in the Student-Athlete & Parent/Legal Custodian Concussion Statement Form, and have initialed appropriately beside each statement.

_____ _____

Signature of Student-Athlete Date

_____ _____

Signature of Parent/Legal Custodian Date

Approved for use in 2020-2021 School Year

2020-2021 NCHSAA ELIGIBILITY, CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE AND RELEASE FORM

THIS DOCUMENT MUST BE SIGNED BY THE STUDENT-ATHLETE OF AN NCHSAA MEMBER SCHOOL AND BY THE STUDENT'S PARENT OR LEGAL CUSTODIAN BEFORE PARTICIPATION. STUDENTS MAY NOT PARTICIPATE WITHOUT THE SIGNATURE OF THE STUDENT AND PARENT(S)/LEGAL CUSTODIAN.

I acknowledge that I have read and understand, the North Carolina High School Athletic Association's (NCHSAA) Eligibility Rules. I understand that a copy of the NCHSAA Handbook is on file with the member school's principal and/or Athletic Director, and that I may review it, in its entirety if I so choose. I know my school is a member of the NCHSAA and must adhere to all regulations that govern interscholastic athletic programs, including, but not limited to, Federal and State laws, local regulations and those imposed by the NCHSAA. I understand that local rules may be more stringent than the NCHSAA and agree to follow the rules of my school and the NCHSAA and to abide by their decisions. I acknowledge and understand that participation in interscholastic athletics is a privilege, not a right. I understand that classroom performance, dropping a class or taking coursework through other educational options could affect eligibility and compliance with NCHSAA academic standards.

STUDENT CODE OF RESPONSIBILITY

As a student athlete, I understand and accept the following responsibilities:

I will respect the rights and beliefs of others and will treat others with courtesy and consideration. I will be fully responsible for my own actions and the consequences of my actions.
I will respect the property of others.
I will respect and obey the rules of my school and laws of my community, state and country.
I will show respect to those who are responsible for enforcing the rules of my school and the laws of my community, state and country.
I understand that a student whose character or conduct violates the school's Athletic Code or School Code of Responsibility could be deemed ineligible for a period of time as determined by the principal or school system Administration

PARENTS, LEGAL CUSTODIANS OR STUDENTS WHO DO NOT WISH TO ACCEPT THE RISK DESCRIBED IN THIS WARNING SHOULD NOT SIGN THIS FORM. The student and parent/legal custodian recognize that participation in interscholastic athletics involves some inherent risks for potentially severe injuries including, but not limited to, serious neck, head and spinal injuries, serious injury to virtually all bones, joints, ligaments, muscles, tendons, and other aspects of the musculoskeletal system, serious injury or impairment to other aspects of the body, or effects to the general health and well-being of the child, and in rare cases death. Although serious injuries are not common in supervised school athletic programs, it is impossible to eliminate all risk. Because of these inherent risks, the student and parent/legal custodian have a responsibility to help reduce that risk. Participants must obey all safety rules, report all physical and hygiene problems to their coaches, follow a proper conditioning program, and inspect their own equipment daily.

I authorize medical treatment should the need arise for such treatment while I or my child/ward ("student-athlete") is under the supervision of the member school. I consent to medical treatment for the student-athlete following an injury or illness suffered during practice and/or a contest. I understand that in the case of injury or illness requiring treatment by medical personnel and transportation to a health care facility, a reasonable attempt will be made to contact the parent/legal custodian in the case of the student-athlete being a minor, but that, if necessary, the student-athlete will be treated and transported via ambulance to the nearest hospital. I further authorize the use or disclosure of my student-athlete's personally identifiable health information should treatment for illness or injury become necessary.

I understand all concussions are potentially serious and may result in complications including prolonged brain damage and death if not recognized and managed properly. Further, I understand that if my student is removed from a practice or competition due to a suspected concussion, he or she will be unable to return to participation that day. After that day, written authorization from a physician (M.D. or D.O.) or an athletic trainer working under the supervision of a physician will be required before the student is allowed to return to participation. I also acknowledge that I have received, read and signed the **Gfeller-Waller Concussion Information Sheet, as well as viewed the CrashCourse concussion education video.**

I consent to the NCHSAA's use of the herein named student's name, likeness, and athletic-related information in reports of contests, promotional literature of the Association and other materials and releases related to interscholastic athletics and grant the NCHSAA the right to photograph and/or videotape the participant and further to use the participant's face, likeness, voice and appearance in connection with exhibitions, publicity, advertising, promotional and commercial materials without reservation or limitation. The NCHSAA, however, is under no obligation to exercise said rights herein. I further consent to the disclosure, by the member school, to the NCHSAA, upon its request, of all records relevant to the student-athlete's athletic eligibility including, but not limited to, their records relating to enrollment, attendance, academic standing, age, discipline, finances, residence and physical fitness. The student and parent/legal custodian individually and on behalf of the student, hereby irrevocably, and unconditionally release, acquit, and discharge, without limitation, the NCHSAA its officers, agents, attorneys, representatives and employees (collectively, the "Releasees") from any and all losses, claims, demands, actions and causes of action, obligations, damages, and costs or expenses of any nature (including attorney's fees) that the student and/or legal custodian incur or sustain to person, property or both, which arise out of, result from, occur during or are otherwise connected with the student's participation in interscholastic athletics if due to the ordinary negligence of the Releasees.

By signing this document, we acknowledge that we have read the above information and that we consent to participation by the herein named student. We understand that the authorizations and rights granted herein are voluntary and that we may revoke any or all of them at any time by submitting said revocation in writing to the participant's member school. By doing so, however, we understand that the participant would no longer be eligible for participation in interscholastic athletics.

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Student's Signature Date of Birth Grade in School Date

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Signature of Parent or Legal Custodian Date

Instructions for Completing the NCHSAA Student-Athlete
Preparticipation Physical Evaluation (PPE)

In order to be medically eligible for participation in practice or in interscholastic athletic contests, a student must have a completed NCHSAA PPE and submit it to the school. The PPE is four (4) pages in length and includes the **History Form**, the **Physical Examination Form**, and the **Medical Eligibility Form.**

The PPE **History Form** (pages 1-2) is completed and signed by the parent or legal custodian on behalf of the student-athlete. The completed and signed PPE History Form must then be presented to the examining Licensed Medical Professional (LMP) (physician licensed to practice medicine (MD/DO), nurse practitioner or physician assistant) for review when they fill out the Physical Examination Form.

The completed PPE **Physical Examination Form** (page 3) is signed and dated by the LMP who performed the examination. The physical examination builds on information obtained in the medical history.

The PPE **Medical Eligibility Form** (page 4), which is also signed and dated by the LMP, indicates the student-athlete is either medically eligible or not medically eligible for sports participation.

Student-Athlete COVID Questionnaire

Student-Athlete's Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____

COVID RELATED QUESTIONS ABOUT THE STUDENT-ATHLETE	YES	NO	NA
1. Since January 1, 2020 have you been told that you have had a positive test for COVID-19, **OR** have you been told by a medical professional, your school, or local health department that you have had to quarantine (stay home) due to concern that you had COVID-19 symptoms?			
2. If the answer to 1 was "Yes", has the required *Return to Play Form: COVID-19 Infection Medical Clearance Releasing The Student-Athlete to Resume Full Participation in Athletics* been completed?			
3. Have you been fully vaccinated against COVID?			

■ **PREPARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION**

HISTORY FORM

Note: Complete and sign this form (with your parents if younger than 18) before your appointment.

Name: _____ Date of birth: _____

Date of examination: _____ Sport(s): _____

Sex: M/F _____

List past and current medical conditions. _____

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Have you ever had surgery? If yes, list all past surgical procedures. _____

_____

Medicines and supplements: List all current prescriptions, over-the-counter medicines, and supplements (herbal and nutritional).

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Do you have any allergies? If yes, please list all your allergies (ie, medicines, pollens, food, stinging insects).

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Patient Health Questionnaire Version 4 (PHQ-4)

*Over the last 2 weeks, how often have you been bothered by any of the following problems? **(check box next to appropriate number)***

	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 is considered positive on either subscale [questions 1 and 2, or questions 3 and 4] for screening purposes.)

GENERAL QUESTIONS (Explain "Yes" answers at the end of this form. Circle questions if you don't know the answer.)	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?	☐	☐
HEART HEALTH QUESTIONS ABOUT YOU	**Yes**	**No**
4. Have you ever passed out or nearly passed out during or after exercise?	☐	☐
5. Have you ever had discomfort, pain, tightness, or pressure in your chest during exercise?	☐	☐
6. Does your heart ever race, flutter in your chest, or skip beats (irregular beats) during exercise?	☐	☐
7. Has a doctor ever told you that you have any heart problems?	☐	☐
8. Has a doctor ever requested a test for your heart? For example, electrocardiography (ECG) or echocardiography.	☐	☐

HEART HEALTH QUESTIONS ABOUT YOU (*CONTINUED*)	Yes	No
9. Do you get light-headed or feel shorter of breath than your friends during exercise?	☐	☐
10. Have you ever had a seizure?	☐	☐
HEART HEALTH QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR FAMILY	**Yes**	**No**
11. 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)?	☐	☐
12. 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)?	☐	☐
13. Has anyone in your family had a pacemaker or an implanted defibrillator before age 35?	☐	☐

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BONE AND JOINT QUESTIONS	Yes	No
14. 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?	☐	☐
15. Do you have a bone, muscle, ligament, or joint injury that bothers you?	☐	☐
MEDICAL QUESTIONS	**Yes**	**No**
16. Do you cough, wheeze, or have difficulty breathing during or after exercise?	☐	☐
17. Are you missing a kidney, an eye, a testicle (males), your spleen, or any other organ?	☐	☐
18. Do you have groin or testicle pain or a painful bulge or hernia in the groin area?	☐	☐
19. Do you have any recurring skin rashes or rashes that come and go, including herpes or methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA)?	☐	☐
20. Have you had a concussion or head injury that caused confusion, a prolonged headache, or memory problems?	☐	☐
21. Have you ever had numbness, had tingling, had weakness in your arms or legs, or been unable to move your arms or legs after being hit or falling?	☐	☐
22. Have you ever become ill while exercising in the heat?	☐	☐
23. Do you or does someone in your family have sickle cell trait or disease?	☐	☐
24. Have you ever had or do you have any problems with your eyes or vision?	☐	☐

MEDICAL QUESTIONS (CONTINUED)	Yes	No
25. Do you worry about your weight?	☐	☐
26. Are you trying to or has anyone recommended that you gain or lose weight?	☐	☐
27. Are you on a special diet or do you avoid certain types of foods or food groups?	☐	☐
28. Have you ever had an eating disorder?	☐	☐
FEMALES ONLY	**Yes**	**No**
29. Have you ever had a menstrual period?	☐	☐
30. How old were you when you had your first menstrual period?		
31. When was your most recent menstrual period?		
32. How many periods have you had in the past 12 months?		

Explain "Yes" answers here.

I hereby state that, to the best of my knowledge, my answers to the questions on this form are complete and correct.

Signature of athlete: _____

Signature of parent or guardian: _____

Date: _____

■ PREPARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION FORM

Name: _____ Date of birth: _____

PHYSICIAN REMINDERS

1. 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 use condoms?
2. Consider reviewing questions on cardiovascular symptoms (Q4–Q13 of History Form).

EXAMINATION		
Height: Weight:		
BP: / (/) Pulse: Vision: R 20/ L 20/ Corrected: ☐Y ☐N		
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, and throat • Pupils equal • Hearing	☐	
Lymph nodes	☐	
Heart[a] • Murmurs (auscultation standing, auscultation supine, and ± Valsalva maneuver)	☐	
Lungs	☐	
Abdomen	☐	
Skin • Herpes simplex virus (HSV), lesions suggestive of methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA), or tinea corporis	☐	
Neurological	☐	
MUSCULOSKELETAL	**NORMAL**	**ABNORMAL FINDINGS**
Neck	☐	
Back	☐	
Shoulder and arm	☐	
Elbow and forearm	☐	
Wrist, hand, and fingers	☐	
Hip and thigh	☐	
Knee	☐	
Leg and ankle	☐	
Foot and toes	☐	
Functional • Double-leg squat test, single-leg squat test, and box drop or step drop test	☐	

[a] Consider electrocardiography (ECG), echocardiography, referral to a cardiologist for abnormal cardiac history or examination findings, or a combination of those.

Name of health care professional (print or type): _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Signature of health care professional: _____, MD, DO, NP, or PA

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■ PREPARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION

MEDICAL ELIGIBILITY FORM

Name: _____ Date of birth: _____

☐ Medically eligible for all sports without restriction

☐ Medically eligible for all sports without restriction with recommendations for further evaluation or treatment of

_____

_____

☐ Medically eligible for certain sports

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_____

☐ Not medically eligible pending further evaluation

☐ Not medically eligible for any sports

Recommendations: _____

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_____

I have examined the student named on this form and completed the preparticipation physical evaluation. The athlete does not have apparent clinical contraindications to practice and can participate in the sport(s) as outlined on this form. A copy of the physical examination findings are on record in my office and can be made available to the school at the request of the parents. 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 health care professional (print or type): _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Signature of health care professional: _____, MD, DO, NP, or PA

SHARED EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Allergies: _____

_____

_____

Medications: _____

_____

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Other information: _____

_____

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Emergency contacts: _____

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