



Consent and Release from Liability Form

For Use During the
2016-2017 School Year
and 2017 Summer

This form must be completed before a student-athlete is permitted to participate in any try-outs, conditioning, weight training, practices, scrimmages, or contests for an SIAA school. This form will be kept on file by the school and is valid through the 2016-2017 school year and 2017 summer.

Student's Name: _____

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

A. I have read the condensed SIAA Eligibility Rules printed on the reverse side of this form 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 and uphold the standards of my school and the SIAA and to abide by their decisions.

B. I know that athletic participation is a privilege.

C. 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 the SIAA, my school, the schools against which it competes, and the contest officials 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 SIAA 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 the SIAA 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.

D. 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 (student must sign)

Name of Student (printed) Signature of Student Date / /

Part 2. Parental/Guardian Consent, Acknowledgement and Release (to be completed and signed by a parent/guardian)

A. I have read the condensed SIAA Eligibility Rules printed on the reverse side of this form and know of no reason why my child/ward is not eligible to represent his/her school in interscholastic athletic competition. If my child/ward is accepted as a representative, I agree, as a parent/guardian, to follow the rules and uphold the standards of the school and the SIAA and to abide by their decisions.

B. I hereby give consent for my child/ward to participate in any sport recognized by the SIAA.

C. I understand that participation may necessitate an early dismissal from classes.

D. I know of, and acknowledge that my child/ward knows of, the risks involved in interscholastic athletic participation, understand there is a chance my child/ward may be seriously injured or killed participating in athletics because there are certain dangers inherent to athletics which cannot be avoided or eliminated even if my child/ward's school, the SIAA, the schools against which it competes, and the contest officials uses reasonable care in providing activities. With full understanding of the risks involved, I release and hold harmless my child/ward's school, the SIAA, the schools against which it competes, and the contest officials 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 SIAA 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 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 consent to the disclosure 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 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.

E. 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 child/ward's school. By doing so, I understand that my child/ward will no longer be eligible for participation in interscholastic athletics.

F. Please check the appropriate line and provide a copy or necessary information:

____ My child/ward is covered under our family health insurance plan, which has limits of not less than \$25,000.

Company: _____ Policy Number: _____

____ My child/ward is covered by an accident insurance policy.

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 / /

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

Your school is a member of the Sunshine Independent Athletic Association (SIAA) and follows established rules. To be eligible to represent your school in interscholastic athletics, in an SIAA recognized sport, the student:

1. Must be regularly enrolled and in regular attendance at your school. (SIAA Bylaw 9.2)
2. 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. (SIAA Bylaw 9.4)
3. Must not have graduated from any high school or its equivalent. (SIAA Bylaw 9.4)
4. Must not transfer schools after **(November 1st)**, otherwise the student cannot participate at the new school for the remainder of that sport season. Exceptions may apply. See your school's principal/athletic director after first attending the new school. (SIAA Bylaw 9.3)
5. Must have signed permission to participate from the student's parent(s)/legal guardian(s) on a form provided the school. (Bylaw 9.8)
6. Must be less than 19 years 9 months old to participate in high school; otherwise the student becomes ineligible to participate at that level. A student must file for a hardship waiver prior to the beginning of the season if he/she will turn 19 years and 9 months at any time during the season. (SIAA Bylaw 9.6)
7. Must undergo a pre-participation physical evaluation and be certified as being physically fit for participation in interscholastic athletics. The physical evaluation is valid for 365 calendar days from the date that it was administered. (SIAA Bylaw 9.7)
8. Must be an amateur. This means the student must not accept money, gift or donation for participating in a sport, or use a name other than his/her own when participating. (SIAA Bylaw 9.9)
9. 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. (SIAA Bylaw 7.2)
10. Must not provide false information to his/her school or to the SIAA to gain eligibility. (SIAA Bylaw 9.1)
11. Must refrain from hazing/bullying while a member of an athletic team or while participating in any athletic activities sponsored by or affiliated with a member school.
12. This form is non-transferable; a separate form must be completed for each different school at which a student participates. If the student is declared or ruled ineligible due to one or more of the SIAA 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.