

HOMER HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS REQUIRED FORMS

PHYSICAL, NSAA, AMBULANCE & CONCUSSION FORMS

Forms may be Submitted as early as May 1st for 2023-24 school year.

ALL students in grades 7-12 who wish to participate in school athletics MUST submit all forms BEFORE they may begin practice.

ALL 7th graders MUST have a physical prior to the start of the school year, even if they do not plan to participate in school sports.

ATHLETES AND PARENTS MUST complete and sign all forms and have a doctor sign the physical clearance form.

- The school will mail the forms to all students' homes in the spring and summer newsletters.
- You may pick up forms at the school office.
- You may also print the forms from the school website.

NOTE: all sections must be completed, signed and on file at the school prior to any participation.

High school volleyball, cross country and football practices begin on Monday, 7 August, 2023.

Return complete forms to the school office.



Concussion Awareness
Homer Community School
Student-Athlete / Parent Information Notification

This form must be signed by all student-athletes and parent/guardians before the student participates in any athletic, spirit practice or contest each school year.

A concussion is a brain injury and all brain injuries are serious. They are caused by a bump, blow, or jolt to the head. A concussion can also be caused by a blow to another part of the body with the force transmitted to the head. Concussions can range from mild to severe and can disrupt the way the brain normally works. Though most concussions are mild, **all concussions are potentially serious and may result in complications including prolonged brain damage and death if not recognized and managed properly.** In other words, even a "ding" or a bump on the head can be serious. You can't see a concussion and most sports concussions occur without loss of consciousness. Signs and symptoms of a concussion may show up right after the injury or can take hours or days to fully appear. If your child reports any symptoms of concussion, or if you notice the symptoms or signs of concussion yourself, seek medical attention right away.

Signs (observed by examiner)

- Appears dazed or stunned
- Confusion
- Moves clumsily
- Loss of consciousness
- Behavior/personality changes
- Forgets events prior to injury (Retrograde amnesia)
- Forgets events after injury (Anterograde amnesia)

Symptoms (reported by athlete)

- Headache
- Nausea
- Balance problems or dizziness
- Double or fuzzy vision
- Sensitivity to light
- Tinnitus (ringing in ears)
- Feeling "foggy"
- Concentration or memory issues
- Change in sleep pattern
- Feeling fatigued

Adapted from the CDC and the 3rd International Conference in Sport

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

Athletes with the signs and symptoms of a 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 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. Concussions are no different. As a result, education of administrators, coaches, parents and students is key for student-athlete safety.

If You Think Your Child has Suffered a Concussion

Any athlete suspected of suffering a concussion should be removed from the game or practice immediately. No athlete may return to activity after an apparent head injury or concussion, regardless of how mild it seems or how quickly symptoms clear, without written medical clearance from a health care professional (athletic trainer, primary care physician, or neurologist). Close observation of the athlete should continue for several hours. You should also inform your child's coach if you think 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!**

Return to Practice and Competition

Homer Community School Concussion Management Policy 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 (athletic trainer, primary care physician, or neurologist) has evaluated the athlete and provided a written authorization to return to practice and competition. Homer Community School recommends that an athlete not return to practice or competition the same day the athlete suffers or is suspected of suffering a concussion. Homer Community School also recommends that an athlete's return to practice and competition should follow a graduated protocol under the supervision of the school's athletic trainer or licensed health care professional.

For current and up-to-date information on concussions go to:

<http://www.cdc.gov/concussion/HeadsUp/youth.html>

For education from the Nebraska Concussion Network go to:

<http://Neb.SportsConcussion.org>

Student-Athlete Name Printed	Student-Athlete Signature	Date
Parent or Legal Guardian Printed	Parent /Legal Guardian Signature	Date

Preparticipation Physical Evaluation

CLEARANCE FORM

Name _____ Sex _____ Age _____ Date of Birth _____

Cleared for all sports without Restriction GRADE _____

Cleared, with recommendations for further treatment for: _____

Not cleared Pending further evaluation For any sports For certain sports _____

Tdap booster administered on _____ (Required per Nebraska state law for students entering 7th grade)

Reasons / Recommendations: _____

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Allergies _____

Other Information _____

Name of physician (print) _____ Date _____

Address _____ Phone _____

Signature of Physician _____ MD or DO

I have examined the above named student and completed the preparticipation physical evaluation. The athlete does not present apparent clinical contraindications to practice and participate in the sport(s) as outlined above. A copy of the physical exam is 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 clearance until the problem is resolved and the potential consequences are completely explained to the athlete (and parents/guardians).

AMBULANCE / PERMISSION TO PROVIDE CARE

This section of this form is to allow Rescue Staff and Hospital Care to admit and/or provide immediate care to our son/daughter _____ in the event that parents, parent or legal guardian cannot be contacted. Our son/daughter will be participating for Homer Community School and if injured will be cared for by local rescue services and transported to the designated hospital by Rescue Squad.

Desired Hospital: (please circle)

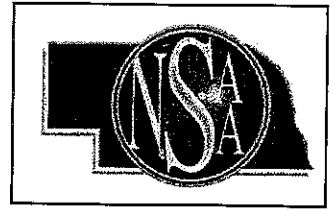
ST. LUKES MERCY MEDICAL CENTER PENDER WINNEBAGO

Medical information: (e.g. allergies; medication, etc.) _____

Parent Signature: _____

**To be completed for
Students participating in any
NSAA activities.**

Student and Parent Consent Form



School Year: 20____-20____
 Member School: _____
 Name of Student: _____
 Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____

The undersigned(s) are the Student and the parent(s), guardian(s), or person(s) in charge of the above-named Student and are collectively referred to as "Parent".

The Parent and Student hereby:

(1) Understand and agree that participation in NSAA sponsored activities is voluntary on the part of the Student and is a privilege;

(2) Understand and agree that (a) by this Consent Form the NSAA has provided to the Parent and Student of the existence of potential dangers associated with athletic and activity participation; (b) participation in any activity may involve injury or illness of some type; (c) the severity of such injury can range from minor cuts, bruises, sprains, and muscle strains to more serious injuries to the body's bones, joints, ligaments, tendons, or muscles, to catastrophic injuries to the head, neck and spinal cord, and on rare occasions, injuries so severe as to result in total disability, paralysis and death; (d) the severity of an illness, including contagious diseases such as the COVID-19 virus, and bacterial infections may be so severe as to result in disability and death; and, (e) even with the best supervision, the use of the best protective equipment and strict observance of rules, injuries are still a possibility;

(3) Consent and agree to participation of the Student in NSAA activities subject to all NSAA Bylaws and rules interpretations for participation in NSAA sponsored athletic and/or activities, and the athletic and activities rules of the NSAA member school for which the Student is participating; and,

(4) Consent and agree to (a) the disclosure by the Member School at which the Student is enrolled to the NSAA, and subsequent disclosure by the NSAA, of information regarding the Student, including the Student's name, address, telephone listing, electronic mail address, photograph, date of and place of birth, major fields of study, dates of attendance, grade level, enrollment status (e.g., full-time or part-time), participation in officially recognized activities and athletics, weight and height as a member of athletic teams, degrees, honors and awards received, statistics regarding performance, records or documentation related to eligibility for NSAA sponsored activities, medical records, and any other information related to the Student's participation in NSAA sponsored activities; and, (b) the Student being photographed, video recorded, audio taped, or recorded by any other means while participating in NSAA activities and contests, consent to and waive any privacy rights with regard to the display of such recordings, and waive any claims of ownership or other rights with regard to such photographs or recordings or to the broadcast, sale or display of such photographs or recordings.

(5) Consent and agree to authorize licensed sports injury personnel to evaluate and treat any injury or illness that occurs during the Student's participation in NSAA activities. This includes all reasonable and necessary preventive care, treatment and rehabilitation for these injuries. This would also include transportation of the Student to a medical facility if necessary. Such licensed sports injury personnel are independent providers and are not employed by the NSAA.

(6) Acknowledge that Parents are obligated to pay for professional medical and/or related services; the NSAA shall not be liable for payment of such services. We give permission to any and all of the Student's health care providers and the NSAA and its employees, staff, agents, and consultants to release and discuss all records and information about the Student including otherwise confidential medical information and records. We understand that this release has been requested and may be used for the purpose of determining eligibility pertaining to activities participation, fitness, injury, injury status, or emergency.

I acknowledge that I have read paragraphs (1) through (6) above, understand and agree to the terms thereof, including the warning of potential risk of injury inherent in participation in athletics and activities.

Name of Student [Print Name] _____ Student Signature _____ Date _____

(I am)(We are) the Student's [circle appropriate choice] (Parent) (Guardian). (I)(We) acknowledge that (I)(We) have read paragraphs (1) through (6) above, understand and agree to the terms thereof, including the warning of potential risk of injury inherent in participation in athletics and activities. Having read the warning in paragraph (2) above and understanding the potential risk of injury to my Student, (I)(we) hereby give (my)(our) permission for _____ [insert Student name] to practice and compete for the above named high school in activities approved by the NSAA, **except those crossed out below:**

Baseball	Basketball	Bowling	Cross Country	Debate	Football	Golf
Journalism	Music	Play Production	Soccer	Softball	Speech	Swim/Dive
Tennis	Track & Field	Unified Bowling	Unified Track & Field	Volleyball	Wrestling	

Parent(s)/Guardian Printed Name(s)*	Parent/Guardian Signature	Date of Signature

*Both Mother and Father must sign, unless parents are divorced, the custodial parent must sign, or if the Student is not living with parents, the Student's legal guardian.