

# IOWA ATHLETIC PRE-PARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

## ARTICLE VII 36.14(1) PHYSICAL EXAMINATION.

Every year each student (grades 7-12) shall present to the student's superintendent a certificate signed by a licensed physician and surgeon, osteopathic physician and surgeon, osteopath, qualified doctor of chiropractic, licensed physician assistant, or advanced registered nurse practitioner, to the effect that the student has been examined and may safely engage in athletic competition. *This certificate of physical examination is valid for the purposes of this rule for one (1) calendar year. A grace period, not to exceed thirty (30) days, is allowed for expired certifications of physical examination.*

### QUESTIONNAIRE FOR ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION (Please type or neatly print this information)

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_ Female \_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address (Street, City, Zip) \_\_\_\_\_ School District \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's/Guardian's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Family Physician \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

**HEALTH HISTORY (The following questions should be completed by the student-athlete with the assistance of a parent or guardian. A parent or guardian is required to sign on the other side of this form after the examination.)**

- |       | Yes   | No    |  | Yes   | No    |  |
|-------|-------|-------|--|-------|-------|--|
| 1.    | _____ | _____ | Allergies to medication, pollen, stinging insects, food, etc.?   | 20.   | _____ | Head injury, concussion, unconsciousness?  |
| 2.    | _____ | _____ | Any illness lasting more than one (1) week?                      | 21.   | _____ | Headache, memory loss, or confusion with contact?  |
| 3.    | _____ | _____ | Asthma or difficulty breathing during exercise?                  | 22.   | _____ | Numbness, tingling or weakness in arms or legs with contact?                               |
| 4.    | _____ | _____ | Chronic or recurrent illness or injury?                          | ***** |       |  |
| 5.    | _____ | _____ | Diabetes?  | 23.   | _____ | Severe muscle cramps or illness when exercising in the heat?                               |
| 6.    | _____ | _____ | Epilepsy or other seizures?                                      | ***** |       |  |
| 7.    | _____ | _____ | Eyeglasses or contacts?  | 24.   | _____ | Fracture, stress fracture or dislocated joint(s)?  |
| 8.    | _____ | _____ | Herpes or MRSA?  | 25.   | _____ | Injuries requiring medical treatment?  |
| 9.    | _____ | _____ | Hospitalizations (Overnight or longer)?                          | 26.   | _____ | Knee injury or surgery?  |
| 10.   | _____ | _____ | Marfan Syndrome?   | 27.   | _____ | Neck injury?   |
| 11.   | _____ | _____ | Missing organ (eye, kidney, testicle)?                           | 28.   | _____ | Orthotics, braces, protective equipment?   |
| 12.   | _____ | _____ | Mononucleosis or Rheumatic fever?                                | 29.   | _____ | Other serious joint injury?  |
| 13.   | _____ | _____ | Seizures or frequent headaches?                                  | 30.   | _____ | Painful bulge or hernia in the groin area?   |
| 14.   | _____ | _____ | Surgery?   | 31.   | _____ | X-rays, MRI, CT scan, physical therapy?  |
| ***** |       |       |  |       |       |  |
| 15.   | _____ | _____ | Chest pressure, pain, or tightness with exercise?                | 32.   | _____ | <b>Has a doctor ever denied or restricted your participation in sports for any reason?</b> |
| 16.   | _____ | _____ | Excessive shortness of breath with exercise?                     | 33.   | _____ | <b>Do you have any concerns you would like to discuss with your health care provider?</b>  |
| 17.   | _____ | _____ | Headaches, dizziness or fainting during, or after, exercise?     |       |       |  |
| 18.   | _____ | _____ | Heart problems (Racing, skipped beats, murmur, infection, etc.?) |       |       |  |
| 19.   | _____ | _____ | High blood pressure or high cholesterol?                         |       |       |  |

- Family History:**
34. \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No Does anyone in your family have Marfan syndrome?
35. \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No Has anyone in your family died of heart problems or any unexpected/unexplained reason before the age of 50?
36. \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No Does anyone in your family have a heart problem, pacemaker or implanted defibrillator?
37. \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No Has anyone in your family had unexplained fainting, seizures, or near drowning?
38. \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No Does anyone in your family have asthma?
39. \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No Do you or someone in your family have sickle cell trait or disease?

Use this space to explain any "YES" answers from above (questions #1-38) or to provide any additional information:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

40. Are you allergic to any prescription or over-the-counter medications? *If yes, list:* \_\_\_\_\_

41. List all medications you are presently taking (including asthma inhalers & EpiPens) and the condition the medication is for:  
 A. \_\_\_\_\_ B. \_\_\_\_\_ C. \_\_\_\_\_

42. Year of last known vaccination: Tdap (Tetanus): \_\_\_\_\_ Meningitis: \_\_\_\_\_ Influenza: \_\_\_\_\_

43. What is the most and least you have weighed in the past year? **Most** \_\_\_\_\_ **Least** \_\_\_\_\_

44. Are you happy with your current weight? **Yes** \_\_\_\_\_ **No** \_\_\_\_\_ *If no, how many pounds would you like to lose or gain?*  
 Lose \_\_\_\_\_ Gain \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR FEMALES ONLY:**

1. How old were you when you had your first menstrual period? \_\_\_\_\_

2. How many periods have you had in the last 12 months? \_\_\_\_\_

**PHYSICAL EXAMINATION RECORD** (To be completed by a licensed medical professional as designated in Article VII 36.14(1).

Athlete's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Height \_\_\_\_\_ Weight \_\_\_\_\_

Pulse \_\_\_\_\_ Blood Pressure \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ (Repeat, if abnormal \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_) Vision R 20/ \_\_\_\_\_ L 20/ \_\_\_\_\_

	<b>NORMAL</b>	<b>ABNORMAL FINDINGS</b>	<b>INITIALS</b>
1. Appearance (esp. Marfan's)			
2. Eyes/Ears/Nose/Throat			
3. Pupil Size (Equal/Unequal)			
4. Mouth & Teeth			
5. Neck			
6. Lymph Nodes			
7. Heart (Standing & Lying)			
8. Pulses (esp. femoral)			
9. Chest & Lungs			
10. Abdomen			
11. Skin			
12. Genitals - Hernia			
13. Musculoskeletal - ROM, strength, etc. (See questions 24-31)			
14. Neurological			

Comments regarding abnormal findings: \_\_\_\_\_

**LICENSED MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL'S ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION RECOMMENDATIONS**  
(Please be precise when indicating at which level the student is cleared to participate.)

1.  **FULL & UNLIMITED PARTICIPATION**
2.  **LIMITED PARTICIPATION** - May **NOT** participate in the following (checked):  
 Baseball  Basketball  Bowling  Cross Country  Football  Golf  Soccer  
 Softball  Swimming  Tennis  Track  Volleyball  Wrestling
3.  **CLEARANCE PENDING DOCUMENTED FOLLOW UP OF** \_\_\_\_\_
4.  **NOT CLEARED FOR ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION DUE** \_\_\_\_\_

Licensed Medical Professional's Name (Printed) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of PPE \_\_\_\_\_

Licensed Medical Professional's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT'S OR GUARDIAN'S PERMISSION AND RELEASE**

I hereby **verify** the accuracy of the information on the opposite side of this form and **give my consent** for the above named student to engage in approved athletic activities as a representative of his/her school, except those activities indicated above by the licensed professional. I **also give my permission** for the team's physician, certified athletic trainer, or other qualified personnel to give first aid treatment to my son or daughter at an athletic event in case of injury/illness and to share necessary information about the injury/illness with appropriate school personnel.

Name of Parent or Guardian, or student if 18 years of age (Printed) \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Parent of Guardian, or student if 18 years of age \_\_\_\_\_

Address (Street/PO Box, City, State, Zip) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

# HEADS UP: Concussion in High School Sports

The Iowa Legislature passed a new law, effective July 1, 2011, regarding students in grades 7 – 12 who participate in extracurricular interscholastic activities. Please note this important information from Iowa Code Section 280.13C, Brain Injury Policies:

- (1) A child must be immediately removed from participation (practice or competition) if his/her coach or a contest official observes signs, symptoms, or behaviors consistent with a concussion or brain injury in an extracurricular interscholastic activity.
- (2) A child may not participate again until a licensed health care provider trained in the evaluation and management of concussions and other brain injuries has evaluated him/her and the student has received written clearance from that person to return to participation.
- (3) Key definitions:
  - “Licensed health care provider” means a physician, physician assistant, chiropractor, advanced registered nurse practitioner, nurse, physical therapist, or athletic trainer licensed by a board.
  - “Extracurricular interscholastic activity” means any extracurricular interscholastic activity, contest, or practice, including sports, dance, or cheerleading.

## What is a concussion?

A concussion is a brain injury. Concussions are caused by a bump, blow, or jolt to the head or body. Even a “ding,” “getting your bell rung,” or what seems to be a mild bump or blow to the head can be serious.

## What parents/guardians should do if they think their child has a concussion?

1. **OBEY THE NEW LAW.**
  - a. Keep your child out of participation until s/he is cleared to return by a licensed healthcare provider.
  - b. Seek medical attention right away.
2. Teach your child that it's not smart to play with a concussion.
3. Tell all of your child's coaches and the student's school nurse about ANY concussion.

## What are the signs and symptoms of a concussion?

You cannot see a concussion. Signs and symptoms of concussion can show up right after the injury or may not appear or be noticed until days after the injury. If your teen reports one or more symptoms of concussion listed below, or if you notice the symptoms yourself, keep your teen out of play and seek medical attention right away.

## STUDENTS:

If you think you have a concussion:

- **Tell your coaches & parents** – Never ignore a bump or blow to the head, even if you feel fine. Also, tell your coach if you think one of your teammates might have a concussion.
- **Get a medical check-up** – A physician or other licensed health care provider can tell you if you have a concussion, and when it is OK to return to play.
- **Give yourself time to heal** – If you have a concussion, your brain needs time to heal. While your brain is healing, you are much more likely to have another concussion. It is important to rest and not return to play until you get the OK from your health care professional.

## IT'S BETTER TO MISS ONE CONTEST THAN THE WHOLE SEASON.

**IMPORTANT:** Students participating in interscholastic athletics, cheerleading and dance; and their parents/guardians; must annually sign the acknowledgement below and return it to their school. Students cannot practice or compete in those activities until this form is signed and returned.

We have received the information provided on the concussion fact sheet titled, “HEADS UP: Concussion in High School Sports.”

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's/Guardian's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Grade

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's School

## RELEASE AND ACTIVITY PARTICIPATION

Your son/daughter has expressed a desire to participate in Union High School activities. There is information concerning such participation that is vital for a successful experience. Please read this information carefully. If you have any questions, please contact or call your child's coach or the school athletic director. Before the athlete is allowed to practice or check out uniforms, you are required to read, sign, and return this Release and Activity Participation Document to the appropriate head coach or school office.

1. Each athlete must have on file a passed physical examination. The examination or questionnaire must be completed prior to beginning practice. Costs incurred for the physical examination will be the responsibility of the parent/guardian.

**NOTICE OF RISK:** Student athletes and the student's parent/guardian need to be aware that sport activities involve risk of injury. When an athlete practices, plays, or participates in any sport, the activity can be dangerous. The student risks serious and permanent injury affecting their wellbeing. Instructions given by the coach regarding playing techniques, training, and team rules must be followed.

2. Union Community School District is not liable or responsible for any medical, dental, or hospital bills, occurring as a result of injuries sustained by a student while participating in a school athletic activity or sport. ALL injury related expenses should be the responsibility of the student's parents/guardians.
3. **Must check one of the below:**

\_\_\_\_\_ I have insurance that will pay for medical expenses if my son/daughter, \_\_\_\_\_ is injured while participating in a school sport.

Insurance Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Or:

\_\_\_\_\_ I do not have insurance for my son/daughter, \_\_\_\_\_, and I understand that the Union Community School District is NOT responsible and WILL NOT PAY any doctor, hospital and/or medical expenses if my child is injured while participating in any school sport.

4. Recognizing that as a result of athletic participation, medical treatment on an emergency basis may be necessary and school personnel may be unable to contact me for my consent for emergency medical care, I do hereby consent in advance to such emergency medical care, including test, x-rays, surgery, and hospital care as may be deemed necessary under the then existing circumstance.
5. **TRANSPORTATION:**
  - a) The Union Community School District provides transportation for participants both to and from the location of the contest during the normal school day (that is, games immediately following the school day).
  - b) Participants must be transported by District transportation to and from school activities. A Parent/guardian may transport their child home when written request is given to the coach or thru face-to-face request after the school activity.
6. All participants are expected to conform to the rules of scholastic eligibility, participation and training as prescribed by the Iowa High School Activities Association, the Union School District, Union High School code of Conduct, and the coaching staffs (this information will be reviewed prior to the start of the season with each participant).
7. Union Community School District has contracted a licensed athletic trainer and I agree that they may evaluate and treat my son/daughter as needed, or as recommended, by a school coach or employee. I also agree that they may release medical information to teachers, coaches and other school personnel.

I have carefully read, understand, and will comply with all the information discussed in the RELEASE AND PARTICIPATION form.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Guardian  
(first and last name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Student  
(first and last name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date