



**Activity/Athletic Participation 2021-2022  
Parent Waiver, Release and Assumption of Risk Form**

On behalf of myself, my household members and my minor child, \_\_\_\_\_ (please print), I hereby give permission for my child to participate in camps, clinics, conditioning, practices and contests at Hozho Academy. My child and I are familiar with, and knowingly and voluntarily accept, any and all risks associated with attending a school campus or any public venue. I acknowledge that my child's participation in this program is wholly voluntary and is not part of any regular school curriculum.

I specifically assume all risks and hazards associated with my child's participation including, but not limited to, the risks associated with the SARS-CoV-2 virus which causes the illness known as COVID-19. I understand that my child will be associating with or exposed to staff and other students and may contract SARS-CoV-2, and other viruses and diseases, through my child's participation. Although the students and staff will be screened daily and many other precautions will be taken, there is no way to completely prevent the spread of SARS-CoV-2 given, among other things, the relatively long incubation period, and the fact that many infected persons are asymptomatic. I understand and voluntarily assume the risk that my child may acquire SARS-CoV-2 and may develop into the illness, COVID-19, and that this may subsequently be transmitted from my child to me, my family and/or members of my household.

While instruction and reasonable supervision will be provided, the coaching staff cannot ensure my child's safety. Accidents and injuries happen, and it is impossible to eliminate the risk that my child will suffer an injury or illness. These accidents and injuries include, but are not limited to: physical contact with other individuals; contact with the ground, surfaces, fixtures and equipment; strenuous exertions, quick movements and changes of speed, which place stress on the cardiovascular, muscular and skeletal systems. The specific injury risks vary from 1) minor injuries such as scratches, bruises and sprains, to 2) major injuries such as eye injuries or loss of sight, joint injuries, limb injuries, head injuries, back injuries, heart attacks, heat stroke and concussions, to 3) catastrophic injuries including paralysis and death.

I certify that my child is in good health, has no fever or gastrointestinal symptoms (such as diarrhea or vomiting), and has no current issues that make it unsafe for my child to participate in camp, practices, exercises, or athletic events, which may not have a medical professional on staff. I will notify the school and not send my child to participate if my child develops a fever or illness or tests positive for COVID- 19. I acknowledge that my child and I are responsible for ensuring that my child takes any necessary medication, and for avoiding any allergies. In the event of a medical emergency, 911 will be called and I will be responsible for any and all costs of medical treatment.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, I hereby agree to waive, release, and discharge any and all claims, causes of action, damages and rights of any kind against the school, the school staff or coaches, its insurers, the school's governing board, and all of their respective employees, agents, and volunteers (the "Released Parties") arising from or relating in any way to any damage, injury, trauma, illness, loss, disability, dismemberment or death that may occur to my child, me, or my household members—whatever the cause—due to my child's participation. This includes, without limitation, any claim arising from the negligence of the Released Parties. I further agree not to sue the Released Parties, and to defend and indemnify the Released Parties for all claims, damages, losses or expenses, including attorneys' fees, if a suit is filed concerning an injury, illness, or death to me, my child or my household members resulting from participation. I am aware and informed of the risks associated with school related sports and activities.

Parent/Guardian Name (Printed) \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name (Printed) \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Student \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Alternative Emergency Phone \_\_\_\_\_



# MEDICAL EXAMINATION FOR PARTICIPATION IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS

New Mexico Activities Association  
6600 Palomas NE  
Albuquerque, NM 87109  
[www.nmact.org](http://www.nmact.org)

**NOTE:** The NMAA does not need a copy of this form. Please return to your school's athletic department.



## Emergency Information – Parent/Guardian please fill out prior to examination.

Student Athlete Name (Last, First, M.I.):					
Home Address:				Grade:	
<i>Street</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Zip</i>		
DOB:		AGE:			
Name of Parent/Guardian					
Home Address:				Phone:	Work:
<i>Street</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Zip</i>	Cell:	
Emergency Contact				Phone:	Work:
<i>Name</i>	<i>Relationship</i>			Cell:	
Address:					
<i>Street</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Zip</i>		
<b>Participant Insurance: Participants must be covered by accident/injury insurance prior to participation.</b>					
Insurance Carrier		Policy Number		Group ID	
<b>SPORT/ACTIVITY STUDENT WILL PARTICIPATE IN (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)</b>					
<b>Sports/Activities</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Baseball	<input type="checkbox"/> Cheer	<input type="checkbox"/> Football	<input type="checkbox"/> Softball	<input type="checkbox"/> Volleyball	
<input type="checkbox"/> Basketball	<input type="checkbox"/> Cross Country	<input type="checkbox"/> Golf	<input type="checkbox"/> Tennis	<input type="checkbox"/> Wrestling	
<input type="checkbox"/> Bowling	<input type="checkbox"/> Dance	<input type="checkbox"/> Soccer	<input type="checkbox"/> Track/Field	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
Please answer all health history questions on the following page PRIOR to your visit to the doctor. Please fill in the student athlete's personal information (name, gender and birth date) on each page of the form and return the entire packet to the school's athletic department.					

**Concussion Management**

A concussion is a disturbance in the function of the brain that can be caused by a blow to the body or head and may occur in any sport or activity. Effects of a concussion may include a variety of symptoms (headache, nausea, dizziness, memory loss, balance problem) with or without a loss of consciousness. I/we understand there is a concussion management protocol established that includes care and return to play criteria.

Student-Athlete Signature	Date
Parent or Court Appointed Legal Guardian Signature	Date

## ■ 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 assigned at birth (F, M, or intersex): \_\_\_\_\_ How do you identify your gender? (F, M, or other): \_\_\_\_\_

List past and current medical conditions. \_\_\_\_\_

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). \_\_\_\_\_

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

Patient Health Questionnaire Version 4 (PHQ-4)  
Over the last 2 weeks, how often have you been bothered by any of the following problems? (Circle response.)

	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  $\geq 3$  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?				

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 <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (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.

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**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

- 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?
- Consider reviewing questions on cardiovascular symptoms (Q4–Q13 of History Form).

EXAMINATION		
Height: _____	Weight: _____	
BP: _____ / _____ ( _____ / _____ )	Pulse: _____	Corrected: <input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N
Vision: R 20/ _____ L 20/ _____		
MEDICAL	NORMAL	ABNORMAL FINDINGS
Appearance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Marfan stigmata (kyphoscoliosis, high-arched palate, pectus excavatum, arachnodactyly, hyperlaxity, myopia, mitral valve prolapse [MVP], and aortic insufficiency)</li> </ul>		
Eyes, ears, nose, and throat <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pupils equal</li> <li>Hearing</li> </ul>		
Lymph nodes		
Heart <sup>a</sup> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Murmurs (auscultation standing, auscultation supine, and ± Valsalva maneuver)</li> </ul>		
Lungs		
Abdomen		
Skin <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Herpes simplex virus (HSV), lesions suggestive of methicillin-resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (MRSA), or tinea corporis</li> </ul>		
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 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Double-leg squat test, single-leg squat test, and box drop or step drop test</li> </ul>		

<sup>a</sup> Consider electrocardiography (ECG), echocardiography, referral to a cardiologist for abnormal cardiac history or examination findings, or a combination of those.

- Medically eligible for all sports without restriction
- Medically eligible for all sports with recommendations for further evaluation or treatment of \_\_\_\_\_
- Medically eligible for certain sports \_\_\_\_\_
- Not medically eligible pending further evaluation
- Not medically eligible for any sports

Recommendations: \_\_\_\_\_

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

## CONSENT TO TREAT FORM

Parental consent for minor athletes is generally required for sports medicine services, defined as services including, but not limited to, evaluation, diagnosis, first aid and emergency care, stabilization, treatment, rehabilitation and referral of injuries and illnesses, along with decisions on return to play after injury or illness. Occasionally, those minor athletes require sports medicine services before, during and after their participation in sport-related activities, and under circumstances in which a parent or legal guardian is not immediately available to provide consent pertaining to the specific condition affecting the athlete. In such instances, it may be imperative to the health and safety of those athletes that sports medicine services necessary to prevent harm be provided immediately, and not be withheld or delayed because of problems obtaining consent of a parent/guardian.

Accordingly, as a member of the New Mexico Activities Association (NMAA), \_\_\_\_\_ (name of school or district) requires as a pre-condition of participation in interscholastic activities, that a parent/guardian provide written consent to the rendering of necessary sports medicine services to their minor athlete by a qualified medical provider (QMP) employed or otherwise designated by the school/district/NMAA, to the extent the QMP deems necessary to prevent harm to the student/athlete. It is understood that a QMP may be an athletic trainer, medical/osteopathic physician, physician assistant or nurse practitioner licensed by the state of New Mexico (or the state in which the student/athlete is located at the time the injury/illness occurs), and who is acting in accordance with the scope of practice under their designated state license and any other requirement imposed by New Mexico law. In emergency situations, the QMP may also be a certified paramedic or emergency medical technician, but only for the purpose of providing emergency care and transport as designated by state regulation and standing protocols, and not for the purpose of making decisions about return to play.

### PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY OR TYPE

"I, \_\_\_\_\_ the undersigned, am the parent/legal guardian of, \_\_\_\_\_ a minor and student-athlete at \_\_\_\_\_ (name of school or district) who intends to participate in interscholastic sports and/or activities.

I understand that the school/district/NMAA may employ or designate QMP's (as defined above) to provide sports medicine services (as also defined above) to the school's interscholastic athletes before, during or after sport-related activities, and that on certain occasions there are sport-related activities conducted away from the school/district facilities during which other QMP's are responsible for providing such sports medicine services. I hereby give consent to any such QMP to provide any such sports medicine services to the above-named minor. The QMP may make decisions on return to play in accordance with the defined scope of practice under the designated state license, except as otherwise limited by New Mexico law. I also understand that documentation pertaining to any sports medicine services provided to the above-named minor, may be maintained by the QMP. I hereby authorize the QMP who provides such services to the above-named minor to disclose such information about the athlete's injury/illness, assessment, condition, treatment, rehabilitation and return to play status to those who, in the professional judgment of the QMP, are required to have such information in order to assure optimum treatment for and recovery from the injury/illness, and to protect the health and safety of the minor. I understand such disclosures may be made to above-named minor's coaches, athletic director, school nurse, any classroom teacher required to provide academic accommodation to assure the student-athlete's recovery and safe return to activity, and any treating QMP.

If the parent believes that the minor is in need of further treatment or rehabilitation services for the injury/illness, the minor may be treated by the physician or provider of his/her choice. I understand, however, that all decisions regarding same day return to activity following injury/illness shall be made by the QMP employed/designated by the school/district/NMAA."

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



## CONCUSSION IN SPORTS

# A Fact Sheet for Athletes and Parents

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### WHAT IS A CONCUSSION?

A concussion is an injury that changes how the cells in the brain normally work. A concussion is caused by a blow to the head or body that causes the brain to move rapidly inside the skull. Even a "ding," "getting your bell rung," or what seems to be a mild bump or blow to the head can be serious. Concussions can also result from a fall or from players colliding with each other or with obstacles, such as a goalpost.

### WHAT ARE THE SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF A CONCUSSION?

#### Observed by the Athlete

- Headache or "pressure" in head
- Nausea or vomiting
- Balance problems or dizziness
- Double or blurry vision
- Bothered by light
- Bothered by noise
- Feeling sluggish, hazy, foggy, or groggy
- Difficulty paying attention
- Memory problems
- Confusion
- Does not "feel right"
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#### Observed by the Parent / Guardian

- Is confused about assignment or position
- Forgets an instruction
- Is unsure of game, score, or opponent
- Moves clumsily
- Answers questions slowly
- Loses consciousness (even briefly)
- Shows behavior or personality changes
- Can't recall events after hit or fall
- Appears dazed or stunned

### WHAT TO DO IF SIGNS/SYMPTOMS OF A CONCUSSION ARE

#### Athlete

- TELL YOUR COACH IMMEDIATELY!
- Inform Parents
- Seek Medical Attention
- Give Yourself Time to Recover

#### Parent / Guardian

- Seek Medical Attention
- Keep Your Child Out of Play
- Discuss Plan to Return with the Coach

***It's better to miss one game than the whole season.***

***Give yourself time to get better. If you have had a concussion, your brain needs time to heal. While your brain is still healing, you are much more likely to have a second concussion. Second or later concussions can cause damage to your brain. It is important to rest until you get approval from a doctor or health care professional to return to play.***

## RETURN TO PLAY GUIDELINES UNDER SB38

1. Remove immediately from activity when signs/symptoms are present.
2. Must not return to full activity prior to a minimum of 240 hours (10 days).
3. Release from medical professional required for return.
4. Follow school district's return to play guidelines.
5. Coaches continue to monitor for signs/symptoms once athletes return to activity.

Students need cognitive rest from the classroom, texting, cell phones, etc.

## REFERENCES ON SENATE BILL 38 AND BRAIN INJURIES

Senate Bill 38:

<https://www.nmlegis.gov/Sessions/17%20Regular/final/SB0038.pdf>

For more information on brain injuries check the following websites:

<https://nfhslearn.com/courses/61059/concussion-for-students>

<http://www.nfhs.org/resources/sports-medicine>

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

<http://www.stopsportsinjuries.org/concussion.aspx>

<http://www.ncaa.org/health-and-safety/medical-conditions/concussions>



## SIGNATURES

By signing below, parent/guardian and athlete acknowledge the following:

- ◆ Both have received and reviewed the attached NMAA's *Concussion in Sports Fact Sheet for Athletes and Parents*.
- ◆ Both understand the risks of brain injuries associated with participation in school athletic activity, and are aware of the State of the New Mexico's Senate Bill 38; Concussion Law.
- ◆ Athlete has received brain injury training pursuant to Senate Bill 38.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Athlete's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date