

Department of
ATHLETICS

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Welcome to the Interscholastic Athletic Program in the Easton Area School District. This letter concerns your child's injury insurance protection, his/her physical examination, and the equipment he/she is issued to participate in the program. It contains very important information, so **PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY AND SAVE FOR LATER REFERENCE.**

1. INSURANCE (SECONDARY ATHLETIC ACCIDENT POLICY)

PLEASE NOTE: (YOUR PRIMARY INSURANCE CARRIER MUST BE NOTIFIED AS WELL)

- All medical expenses incurred by your son/daughter, as a result of their participation in interscholastic and/or intramural athletics (off-season team workouts) is your responsibility.
- The Easton Area School District provides a secondary athletic accident insurance policy for all student athletes, both interscholastic as well as intramural.
- In the event your son/daughter is injured and immediately reports the injury to the E.A.S.D. Sports Medicine staff, requiring referral to a medical/osteopathic doctor, dentist or chiropractor, an insurance claim form will be sent by mail to your address of record. The E.A.S.D. Sports Medicine staff will complete the top portion. You must complete the lower front portion.
- Mail the completed secondary athletic accident insurance claim form, along with all related bills for services to: Bollinger, Inc., P.O. Box 706, Short Hills, New Jersey 07078-0706
- All inquiries should be directed to Bollinger, Inc., by mail or (866) 267-0092.

2. STUDENT ATHLETE CODE

- You and your child must read the Student Athlete Code of Conduct on the www.eastonsd.org website. Be sure to sign electronically via Planet HS. Your child may not practice or play until this form is signed by both you and your child.

3. PARENT/ATHLETE ORIENTATION MEETINGS - E.A.H.S. GYMNASIUM - 6:00 P.M.

FALL – Thursday 08/12/21 WINTER – Thursday 11/18/21

SPRING – Thursday 03/03/22

- These are mandatory meetings for both parents and athletes. All academic topics, athletic training details and practice schedules/team information will be distributed.

IMPORTANT

- Pre-Participation forms not completed on PlanetHS prior to deadline will need a minimum 24-hour review period by the athletic training staff to check for completeness and accuracy before the athlete will be cleared to participate.
- P.I.A.A mandates that only a licensed **medical doctor, osteopath, certified registered nurse practitioner, school nurse practitioner, or certified physician assistant** may sign the physical form. This does not include a chiropractor.

EASTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT

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- Please make sure all concussion and cardiac arrest related documents are read and understood. The documents are attached and related information is on the EASD Athletics website: www.eastonsd.org, click on About EASD, Departments, then Athletics.

The Athletic Pre-Participation Physical Exam for the 2021-2022 school year MAY NOT be conducted prior to June 1, 2021

Remember, your son/daughter may not practice/play until all forms are properly completed via Planet HS prior to each season's deadlines.

All documents must be completed via Planet HS within the two-week period from the first date of practice in order to be considered to participate on that team. Athletes are not permitted to change teams or try out for teams after the two week/pre-season practice time is over. Exceptions to this policy are for newly enrolled students (at the discretion of head coach) or athletes still competing from the previous athletic season.

4. EQUIPMENT

- Your son/daughter, as a member of our interscholastic athletic teams, will receive equipment from the school district, which is of the highest quality available. It is also expensive and necessitates your and your son's/daughter's genuine concern for its care and safekeeping. Thus, **your child is responsible** for the equipment he/she receives. At the end of the season, or when he/she leaves the team for any reason, the equipment must be returned immediately, in acceptable condition, to the equipment manager at either the high school or middle school (7/8). If any, or all, of the equipment is missing, you and/or your child must pay for these items so that we can purchase replacement equipment. Until this obligation is taken care of, your son/daughter may not participate in any other sport. **Athletes must return the original equipment issued to them. Substituted equipment will not relieve the student's obligation.**

PARTICIPATION IN ALL SPORTS REQUIRES AN ACCEPTANCE OF RISK OF POSSIBLE INJURY OR EVEN DEATH. YOUR CHILD, AS A PLAYER, CAN HELP MAKE THE GAME SAFER BY NOT INTENTIONALLY USING TECHNIQUES WHICH ARE ILLEGAL AND CAN CAUSE SERIOUS INJURY.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Athletic Office if we can help you or your child in any way during his/her athletic career in our school district.

Sincerely yours,
Jim Pokrivsak
Director of Athletics

Ccs: John Freund III, Esq., Solicitor; K. Geiger, Head Principal EAHS; J. Cupples, Head Principal EAMS 7/8; All Coaches; R. Gilbert, Trainer

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