Catholic League Football Players & Parents (July 2009)

ATHLETE'S NAME: _____**GRADE:**____**SCHOOL:**_____

ADDRESS: _____**CITY:**_____**ZIP:**_____

ASSUMPTION OF RISK -- PROOF OF INSURANCE:

Participation in sports requires an acceptance of risk of possible injury including paralysis or loss of life. As an athlete you can help make athletics safer by not intentionally using techniques that are illegal and which can cause serious injury. In football, you have been instructed in the proper techniques of blocking, tackling, running, kicking, passing, catching and other fundamentals pertaining to our position. You have been warned that improper use of these techniques can result in permanent injury not excluding paralysis. You are aware that our helmet is NOCSAE approved within safety standards for football helmets and that you should report to our coach, immediately, any defects of helmet or other equipment.

I hereby consent to participation by my child, _____, in the sport described above. In consideration of my child being allowed to participate in this sport, I hereby agree on behalf of myself and my child, to release _____ School and/or Parish, the Roman Catholic (Arch)diocese of Detroit, and any and all affiliated organizations, their employees, agents and representatives (Releasees) , from any and all claims, including negligence, which may be asserted by me or my child, or on behalf of my child, arising from or relating to my child's participation in the sport. In the event this release on behalf of myself and/or my child is held to be invalid or unenforceable, I hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless Releasees from any and all claims, including negligence, which may be asserted by me or my child, or on behalf of my child, arising from or relating to my child's participation in the sport. This release of indemnification does not apply to claims for intentional misconduct or gross negligence; nor does this release or indemnification apply to the extent of commercial insurance coverage for any claim, but this Release or Indemnification shall apply to the extent of any self-insurance or deductible applicable to any claim.
The coaching staff is concerned with our safety and wants you to receive the benefits of athletic participation.

I_____(Signature) Student-athlete have read the above and agree that I have been warned as to injury and accept the responsibility of possible injury _____(Date)

I am the parent or legal guardian of the above named student and have read the above and recognize the risk in participation and injury. The student is covered by an insurance policy in effect for the school year:

_____ _____ _____
Parent/Legal Guardian Parent/Legal Guardian Date

_____ _____
Name of Insurance Company Policy or group number (Contact Athletic Director ASAP if no policy exists)

EXPECTATIONS IN EDUCATIONAL ATHLETICS

The administration and staff of our school, all Catholic League schools and the Catholic League Office wish to make it clear that high school sports are an educational activity. Athletes, parents and friends must be aware of our school's expectations with regard to sportsmanship. Catholic School values should be present at our events. Unlike professional sports, as a spectator at an interscholastic event, you are a part of the activity, much like the athletes, coaches and officials. **As a participant, (spectator or team member) we expect that you will maintain good sportsmanship or refrain from attending school athletic events.**

- It is expected that as participants and spectators, we will support in a positive way our own team remembering that the athletes, coaches and officials are not perfect and will make mistakes. Negative, derogatory cheers or actions aimed at either team are not acceptable in educational athletics.
- It is expected that you will accept the decisions of the officials without vocalizing disagreement. Officials are an important part of this educational activity. We are sending the wrong message when we challenge or abuse the game official sent to the school to administer these educational activities.
- At all times it is expected that we will respect one another; adults and students alike. This especially includes our opponents and officials, without whose involvement, sport contests would not occur.

Signature of Student Athlete and Parents/Guardians that they have read and understand the above.

_____ _____ _____
Student-Athlete Parent/Guardian Parent/Guardian