

PERRY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

2015-2016



PARENT - STUDENT

ATHLETIC CODE OF CONDUCT

INTRODUCTION

Perry Public Schools athletic program is an extension of its educational program and adheres to the philosophy and objectives prescribed by the Perry Public Schools Board of Education. This Athletic Code of Conduct attempts to define the responsibility of the student athletes and parents who participate in athletic programs. While understanding that not every circumstance can be anticipated, the intention is to be as comprehensive as possible.

This Athletic Code of Conduct covers all Varsity, Junior Varsity, Freshman and Middle School interscholastic athletic programs. Student athletes must adhere to all policies and guidelines established in this document as well as the Student/Parent Handbook and Code of Conduct established for all Perry Public Schools students. The athletic director shall administer consideration and interpretation of situations included in this policy. Inquiries regarding this policy can be made to the Athletic Director at (517) 625-0011.

PERRY SPORTS BOOSTERS

The objective of the organization is to encourage student athletes to strive for excellence and character development. Its members are a primary source of funding and support of Perry athletic programs. They are involved in fundraising activities; particularly concessions at home contests, golf outings, and raffles. Meetings are the Third Monday of the month, at 7:00 p.m. in the high school. Parent involvement is always welcome.

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PERRY PUBLIC SCHOOLS ATHLETIC POLICY

PERRY PUBLIC SCHOOLS ATHLETIC MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the Perry Public Schools Athletic Department is to extend the lessons of the classroom to the student athlete experience. Our objective is to teach each student athlete the values of dedication, teamwork, commitment and sportsmanship in a structured and competitive environment. We will focus on the student learning and educational outcomes of participation in sports, thus allowing student athletes to have a positive connection to our school, demonstrate physical, emotional, social and intellectual growth.

ATHLETIC GOALS AND OUTCOMES

Participation in the interscholastic athletic program will give our students opportunities to experience:

1. Learning success which opens doors to the future.
2. Involvement in the school which provides for fun, friendship, the thrill of the competition, hard work and purpose and positive self-regard.
3. Personal growth from which responsible adults and productive citizens emerge.

Such experiences empower our students with the opportunity to live fruitful lives and enjoy athletics for a lifetime.

CHARACTERISTICS OF A SUCCESSFUL STUDENT ATHLETE

A successful student athlete:

1. Works well with people as a member of a team.
2. Is well prepared for his/her role.
3. Manages time wisely.
4. Sets goals.
5. Is dedicated to personal and team goals.
6. Perseveres when others quit.
7. Exercises self-discipline.
8. Displays positive attitudes.
9. Has self-confidence
10. Promotes a positive school climate and culture through sports.

Adapted from The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People by Steven Covey

TO THE STUDENT ATHLETE

Being a member of an athletic team is the fulfillment of an early ambition for many students. The attainment of the goal carries with it certain traditions and responsibilities that must be maintained.

Participation in athletics is a privilege, not a right. Accompanied with this privilege is the responsibility of the student athlete to the team, community and school that he/she will abide by all rules and guidelines that have been established.

The most important of these responsibilities is that the student broadens and develops strength of character. Students owe it to themselves to receive all the positive benefits of participation in interscholastic athletics. Included in the benefits of participation are discipline, improved self-confidence, dedication, the setting and accomplishment of goals, skill and physical development, to identify just a few. Academics, participation in other co-curricular activities, as well as in sports, will prepare students for the challenges of their lives as an adult.

As a member of an interscholastic team students also assume responsibility to his/her school and community. The spotlight is on the student athlete. His/her actions on and off the field will be a reflection on the community, school, as well as himself/herself and family. It is the student's responsibility as a Perry student athlete to treat teammates, coaches, opponents, officials, administrators and fans with dignity and respect. Younger students in the Perry Public Schools are watching student athletes. They will emulate the way the student athletes play and conduct themselves. Do not do anything to let them down. Set good examples for them.

CONDUCT EXPECTATIONS

Proper conduct of Perry student athletes, both on and off the field of play, is expected and is a condition of team membership. Cases of inappropriate behavior that are not included in the Athletic Code of Conduct or rules established by the coaches will be reviewed on an individual basis and dealt with in a decisive and appropriate manner. Any act of insubordination directed at coaches or administrators will not be tolerated and may result in disciplinary action. In addition, any act of unsportsman like conduct, either provoked or unprovoked, directed at opponents, fans, officials and/or teammates may result in disciplinary action.

Any student, having participated in any established sport, *is* considered a Perry student athlete covered by the rules and regulations stated in this Code of Conduct and is expected to:

1. Know and adhere to the athletic code of the school.
2. Counsel with athletic director over questions of eligibility.
3. Practice and play fairly, giving complete effort in all circumstances and credit in victory to teammates and to opponents in defeat.
4. Accept favorable and unfavorable decisions, as well as victory and defeat, with equal grace.
5. Demonstrate respect for opponents and for officials before, during and after contests.
6. Uphold the traditions of good sportsmanship and fair play at all times.
7. Report any unsportsman like or inappropriate activity to the coach and/or athletic director.

INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS

Student athletes should consider time, interests, academic responsibilities and team requirements when committing to a team. The commitment includes in and out of season activities. Some sports are very competitive for team selection at the high school and middle school level, while other programs can accommodate larger numbers. The following is a list of interscholastic sports offered at Perry Public Schools. The activities marked with an asterisk (*) indicate sports which usually have tryouts and where team size is limited. **No one will be allowed to be in tryouts without a valid physical**

examination and a Concussion Awareness signed form on file in the athletic office prior to trying out for any sport.

High School Sports

Boys' Varsity Football	Boys' Varsity Basketball *	Boys' Varsity Baseball *
Boys' JV Football	Boys' J V Basketball *	Girls' Varsity Softball *
Boys' Freshman Football	Boys' Freshman Basketball *	Boys' JV Baseball *
Girls' Varsity Basketball *	Varsity Sideline Cheerleading *	Girls' JV Softball *
Girls' JV Basketball *	Competitive Cheerleading **	Boys' Track & Field
Girls' Freshman Basketball*	Wrestling	Girls' Track & Field
Boys' Varsity Soccer*	Girls' Varsity Volleyball *	Girls' Varsity Soccer *
Boys' Varsity Golf*	Girls' JV Volleyball *	Girls' Varsity Golf
Boys' Varsity Cross Country	Girls' Freshman Volleyball *	Girls' JV Soccer*
Girls' Varsity Cross Country	Boys' JV Soccer*	Girls Varsity Bowling**
Boys' Varsity Bowling**	** denotes club sport *denotes possible cuts	

Middle School Sports

Girls' 7 th Grade Basketball*	Boys' 7 th Grade Basketball*	MS Boys' Track & Field
Girls' 8 th Grade Basketball*	Boys' 8 th Grade Basketball*	MS Girls' Track & Field
Girls' 7 th Grade Volleyball*	Girls' 8 th Grade Volleyball*	
MS Wrestling	MS Cheerleading**	

ELIGIBILITY

Eligibility requirements for high school and middle school students are determined by the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA). General eligibility rules are listed as follows:

ENROLLMENT – You must have been enrolled in a high school not later than Monday of the fourth week of the present semester.

AGE- HIGH SCHOOL – You must be under 19 years of age at the time of a contest unless your 19th birthday occurs on or after September 1st of the current year.

AGE – MIDDLE SCHOOL – You must be under 15 for eighth grade, or 14 for seventh grade, unless that birthday occurs on or after September 1st of the current year.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION/ CONCUSSION AWARENESS FORM -You must have passed a satisfactory physical examination and be physically able to participate compete in athletic practices and contest for the present school year. Record of this examination **MUST** be on file in the athletic office dated after April 15th for the upcoming school year. **No one will be allowed to tryout without a valid physical examination, and concussion awareness signed off form on file in the athletic office.**

SEASONS OF COMPETITION – You must not have competed for more than 4 first and 4 second semester seasons in a sport in a four 4 year high school. There is no limit for 7th and 8th graders.

SEMESTER OF ENROLLMENT – A student shall not compete in any branch of athletics who has been enrolled in grades 9 to 12, inclusive, for more than eight semesters. The seventh and eighth semesters must be consecutive.

TRANSFERS – If you transfer, your transfer will be in accordance with MHSAA transfer policies. Under most circumstances transfer or school-of-choice students must be enrolled 1 full semester before becoming eligible for athletic competition. Questions regarding transfers should be directed to the athletic director. Transfer students may carry over any athletic code violations and suspensions from their previous school.

AWARDS – You must not accept any award for athletic competition or performance other than an emblematic award. The value of the emblematic award may not exceed \$25.00.

AMATEUR STATUS – You must not accept any money or other valuable consideration (merchandise, etc.) in excess of \$25.00 for having participated in interscholastic contests, or having signed a professional contract.

LIMITED TEAM MEMBERSHIP – If you participate in an athletic contest as a member of a high school athletic team, and you participate in any athletic competition not sponsored by your school in the same sport, during the same season, you shall become ineligible for a minimum of the next 3 days of competition and a maximum of the remainder of that season, in that school year.

PARTICIPATION FEE

Athletic registration fees for the 2015--2016 school year have been waived.

TRANSFER POLICY FOLLOWING VIOLATIONS OF A SCHOOL'S STUDENT/ATHLETIC CODE

Perry Public Schools reserves the right to enforce upon a transfer student any period of ineligibility to which that student would have been subject as a result of a student or athletic code violation(s) at that student's most recent previously attended school.

A student who transfers to Perry Public Schools after becoming ineligible because of a student or athletic code violation(s) at the previously attended school will have said violation reviewed by Perry High School Athletic Director. This would be the case even if the student's situation would otherwise satisfy one or more of the exceptions to the transfer regulation of Perry Public Schools and the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) (Regulation I, Section 9), and even if the act which caused the student's ineligibility at the previous school would not be a violation or cause the same period of ineligibility at Perry Public Schools.

Student athletes who were subject to the rules and penalties of the previous school, will be reviewed by the Athletic Director.

OUT OF SEASON/SCHOOL VIOLATIONS

Student athletes at Perry Public Schools are subject to all rules listed in this Athletic Code of Conduct during and out of season of their respective sports and are subject to the appropriate disciplinary review and possible disciplinary action.

The Athletic Code shall be enforced as to all students from the first day of practice (including try-outs) for any fall sports team until the conclusion of the academic year or the end of competition. For teams or individual athletes who compete beyond the conclusion of the academic year, the Athletic Code shall extend through the season, post-season and awards night for that team. Enforcement of the Athletic Code shall apply to any violation, which occurs within that time frame. A student who violates the Athletic Code may be subject to disciplinary review by the Athletic Director as outlined in the penalty provisions of the Athletic Code of Conduct.

The Athletic Director and principal shall immediately suspend from athletic participation any student athlete charged with a felony pending an investigation and determination by school officials. If the athletic director and principal determine that the student athlete has violated the Athletic Code, the suspension from athletics shall be in accordance with any or all of the penalties listed in Appendix B. A criminal conviction is not necessary to establish a violation of the Athletic Code of Conduct.

ACADEMICS

Perry Public Schools takes great pride in emphasizing the student athlete. The MHSAA (Michigan High School Athletic Association) academic requirement is a minimum requirement. The academic policy for all of our athletes is stated in the student parent code of conduct. There are regular grade checks conducted, and students should be aware of the policy and procedures listed in the handbook. The student athlete concept is emphasized at Perry Public Schools. The Perry Public Schools Student Athlete Academic Policy is attached as APPENDIX A.

ACTIVITY SELECTION

Numerous studies show that students involved in interscholastic athletics maintain better grades, better attendance and exhibit better behavior. Athletic participation has also proven to be a better predictor of success in life, surpassing grades and/or test scores. Students are free to choose any activity they wish but should use caution in not selecting too many activities that might interfere with study time or result in conflicts of activities. Student athletes are responsible for managing time allocation for studies and their sport(s). Students need to look ahead to avoid any conflicts. Should conflicts arise, students should discuss them early with their coach.

All summer and out-of-season programs are voluntary and athletes are not required to participate as a condition of team membership. We encourage athletes to participate in as many sports and activities as possible. Team sports are based on everyone's playing his/her role to benefit the team. Each member is of value to the team.

DUAL PARTICIPATION

An athlete may participate in two sports in the same season provided, the coaches, the Athletic Director, and the parents are in agreement. In such cases, one sport will be designated the athletes primary sport. This means the athlete must attend all practices and contests of the designated primary sport before being allowed to participate in the secondary sport, unless the coach of the primary sport grants prior approval. This process must be started prior to the beginning of the season and all team members must be made aware of expectations. If it becomes obvious that the student cannot fulfill the obligations of the primary sport, or that by limited participation in the secondary sport a question of ability to safely participate is raised, the student may find himself/herself in a position of having to withdraw from one of the activities.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Students are not permitted to participate in any school-related activity if they are not in attendance at school all day on the day of the event, unless a pre-arranged absence has been approved by the school administration. Students must be in school all day on the last school day of the week to be eligible to participate in a Saturday contest. This includes extracurricular athletics, band, plays, Co-op, work-study and all other school-related or sponsored activities.

PRACTICE ATTENDANCE

Attendance at practice sessions is necessary to prepare both mentally and physically for athletic contests. Prior arrangements should be made for any absence. Unexcused absences may be cause for discipline and/or dismissal. Students may be excused for school sponsored events. Some contests and practices are necessary outside of the school calendar and during school vacations. Students need to look at these requirements prior to making a commitment to the team. Exceptions may be made by the Athletic Director.

TRANSPORTATION

Each athlete of a traveling squad should travel to and from interscholastic competition via school transportation. Exceptions to this regulation may take place only with prior arrangements made between the coach, athletic director, transportation director and the athlete's parent/guardian. On occasions where athletes are transported by means other than school busses, coaches will follow district policies on Student Transportation in Private vehicles..

SUMMER AND OUT-OF-SEASON PROGRAMS

All summer and out-of-season programs are voluntary and athletes are not required to participate as a condition of team membership. We encourage athletes to participate in as many sports and activities as possible.

DRUG FREE ZONE

There is no place for drug use in the student athlete experience. Athletes perform best when they follow intelligent training practices. Sound guidelines increase personal performance and team morale. Disciplinary action may be taken in connection with Perry Public School policy. The Perry Athletic Department penalties for violation of the Athletic Code of Conduct are listed in Appendix B.

SOLVING DIFFERENCES

Solving differences to accomplish positive goals is part of the learning process. With more than 30 teams, at various levels, resolution at the student athlete and coach level is always desirable.

If resolution is not achieved in a meeting between the student athlete and coach, then the situation may be further reviewed in the following order by:

1. The parent(s), student athlete and coach.
2. The parent(s), student athlete, coach and athletic director.
3. A committee of 2 coaches (not involved), 2 students, and 1 building administrator in addition to those designated in step 2.
4. Principal in addition to those designated in step 3.
5. The Superintendent or his/her designee in addition to those designated in step 4.

All appeals should be initiated and responded to in a timely manner. Coaches will be notified of an appeal that reaches the athletic director level. The original decision will stand until the appeal process is complete. The appeal process may result in confirmation or change of the original decision. Appeals presented in steps numbered 3 through 5 must be presented in writing to the athletic director. A 24 hour wait period is mandatory before approaching a coach with an issue other than the safety of the athlete.

Note: Coaches/Athletic Director will not discuss playing time or playing positions. They are at the sole discretion of the coach.

QUITTING A SPORT

Athletes are expected to follow through with the commitment they have made by becoming a member of a team. This commitment is a bond that involves the coaches and other members of the team. One of the values that participation in sports provides is dedication. If it becomes necessary for a student athlete to quit a sport after the season has begun, he/she must meet with the coach and the athletic director, in person, and provide the reasons. Failure to meet with the coach and athletic director may make that student athlete ineligible for participation in other sports for the remainder of the school year. A student athlete who has quit a sport more than once for other than academic reasons or injury is considered to be at high risk of quitting subsequent sports. The coach may consider a history of quitting if the student is trying out for another sport.

3. Students must have earned two varsity letters.

REDUCING POTENTIAL INJURIES/INFORMED CONSENT

By its nature, participation in interscholastic athletics includes risk of injury, which may range in severity. Although serious injuries are not common in supervised school athletic programs, it is impossible to eliminate the risk. Participants have the responsibility to help reduce that chance of injury to themselves as well as to opponents and teammates. Players must obey all safety rules, report all physical problems to their coaches, follow a proper conditioning program and inspect their own equipment on a daily basis. All student athletes will be given a concussion awareness form which must be signed and on file with the athletic Director prior to practicing or playing.

ILLNESS OR INJURY AND RETURNING TO PARTICIPATION

Athletes who miss school following injuries or illness, classified as serious, must secure a written doctor's statement and/or parental approval before participating in practice or contests. In compliance with MHSAA Guidelines, in cases of serious injury, concussions or extended illness students must be reexamined by a physician (MD or DO) before being allowed to compete. A signed note from the physician must be presented to the coach, trainer and Athletic Director.

GOVERNING BODIES

The Michigan High School Athletic Association

The Representative Council is the governing body of the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA). The primary function of the Council is to maintain rules/ regulations that insure fairness in competition for the student athletes and to balance athletic participation with other educational programs and activities. Schools adopt the regulations and interpretations of the Handbook as their own and agree to be primarily responsible for their enforcement.

Greater Lansing Activities Conference

The Greater Lansing Activities Conference Constitution and by-laws were created in April 2014. The conference was established to facilitate interscholastic competition, promote educational values, and enhance the concepts of good sportsmanship among member schools.

Perry Athletic Department

Perry Public Schools is a voluntary member of the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) and the Greater Lansing Activities Conference. As a member, there is an obligation to accept a leadership role in support of rules, regulations and by-laws. The Perry Athletic Department will support a positive athletic environment. Coaches, officials, student athletes, parents and fan support are all important parts of a positive experience.

Appendix A

PERRY PUBLIC SCHOOLS STUDENT ATHLETE ACADEMIC AND CITIZENSHIP ELIGIBILITY STANDARDS

Section A – Current Eligibility

1. Students must be passing 30 hours of approved class time (all classes) each quarter to be considered eligible to compete in athletic contests.

2. If the student becomes ineligible for the second consecutive week, he or she must attend mandatory student sessions as scheduled by the athletic director. While attending the study sessions, the athlete will be ineligible for contests. However, the athlete will be allowed to attend practice sessions a student may become eligible on a week to week basis provided they are passing all classes as documented each Friday by completing an eligibility form which includes a signed academic progress report from each of the student's teachers. If a student is not passing all classes they are ineligible to participate in completion until the next time they are passing all classes on their regular weekly academic progress report.
3. This policy is to be administered by the athletic director. The athletic director will provide all in-season coaches with a copy of the eligibility report. This policy will be included as part of the Perry High School and Middle School Student/Parent Handbooks.
4. Summer school credits and grades may apply for fall eligibility, if the student repeats courses or low-grades or failures.
5. If the course is not offered in the student's regular school or summer school program, any substitutions must be an academic course that meets the approval of the principal.
6. A student or peer tutoring program is available under the direction of the building principal and/or designees to assist student athletes in achieving classroom expectations. This option will be offered to any student who may need additional assistance.

Section B – Athletes Who Have Had a Failing Grade in the Previous Semester

1. A student athlete who fails two or more classes the previous semester shall be ineligible for all athletic competition during the next semester.
2. A student athlete who fails one class the previous semester shall be eligible for athletic competition and subject to all items listed in Section A, with the following exceptions:
 - a) The student athlete may not participate in athletic contests until he/she has proven a passing grade in all current classes. The student athlete shall submit a completed progress report to the athletic director by the end of school each week.
 - b) The first failure received on the weekly eligibility reports will result in suspension from competition and mandatory attendance at study session mentioned in Section A, item 3 of this policy.
 - c) If a student athlete receives a second consecutive failing grade or receives a failing grade in more than one class on the weekly eligibility checks, he/she will be ineligible for all athletic competition for the remainder of the semester.
3. Middle School student athletes will be subject to all items listed in Sections A and B. If a middle school student fails a quarterly class, he/she will be subject to Section B of this policy for the following quarter.

Section C – Citizenship: Citizenship in school will be checked regularly. If a student-athlete has been suspended from school, he/she will be ineligible to practice or participate in competition for the duration of the duration of the suspension.

Appendix B

PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE ATHLETIC TRAINING RULES

It is understood that the context of violation need to be a factor in determining penalties for this “code”. Therefore, any penalties within this code of conduct may be modified at the discretion of the Athletic Director.

Athletic Code of Conduct/Training Rules Violations is defined as:

1. Use, possession, concealment, distribution, sale, or being under the influence of:
 - a. Tobacco or tobacco products in any form.
 - b. Alcohol or such beverages in any form.
 - c. Illegal drugs, including but not limited to those substances pursuant to federal and/or state statute
 - d. Steroids, human growth hormones, or other performance enhancing drugs
 - e. Substances reported to be illegal, abusive, or performance enhancing, look-alike drugs
2. Violation of a federal, state, or local law or ordinance.
3. Theft, vandalism, destruction of property, possession of stolen goods belonging to our school, to an opponent's school, or any applicable entity.
4. Felony or misdemeanor acts other than minor traffic offenses. Conviction of said act is not necessary.

Athletic training rules violations will be verified in the following manner:

1. Student (or parent/guardian) admission.
2. Law enforcement report.
3. Perry staff member, or a representative thereof, reporting a violation observed by the staff member.
4. Responsible adult reporting an observed violation.

Training rules are in effect for the entire calendar year, in-season and out-of-season, 12 months, 24-hours a day for any student including managers who are participating or plan to participate in a school sponsored sport. Any violation(s) of the training rules will be cumulative throughout the student-athlete's career at Perry Public Schools. It is understood that the context of violation need to be a factor in determining penalties for this "code". **Therefore, any penalties within this code of conduct may be modified at the discretion of the Athletic Director.**

1. If it is determined that a player is in violation of the Athletic Code of Conduct for the **FIRST** time, the student athlete **may be suspended** from the team from up to 50% of the season's contest dates of competition. If the penalty cannot be enforced in the current season, the penalty will carry over to the next season of participation

A PLAYER MAY BE SUSPENDED UP TO:

- 5 football games, or
- 10 basketball games, or
- 9 soccer competition games, or
- 8 wrestling weigh-ins, or
- 9 volleyball competition dates, or
- 8 golf competition dates, or
- 9 baseball/softball competition dates, or
- 9 track competition dates, or
- 8 cross country runs, or
- 5 football or 10 basketball cheerleading events.

2. If it is determined that a player is in violation of the Athletic Code of Conduct for the **SECOND** time, during their school career, the student athlete **may** be suspended from the team for up to an entire calendar year.

3. For a **THIRD** violation of the training rules, the student athlete **may** lose privilege to participate in Perry Athletics for the remainder of his/her middle school and/or high school career with the option for an appeal after one calendar year. After serving a calendar year suspension and proof of completion of licensed agency rehabilitation treatment program the student athlete, may appeal to the Athletic Appeal Board for review of the remaining suspension. Any expenses incurred for rehabilitation treatment program will be the responsibility of the athlete, not Perry Public Schools. The Athletic Appeal

Board shall consist of the Superintendent or his/her designee, Principal, Athletic Director, and two Board members of the Board of Education, as designated by the President of the Board of Education. The decision of the Athletic Appeal Board is Final.

NONDISCRIMINATION

The Perry Board of Education complies with all Federal laws and regulations prohibiting discrimination and with all requirements and regulations of the U.S. Department of Education. It is the policy of the Perry Board of Education that no person on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin or ancestry, age, sex, marital status or handicap shall be discriminated against, excluded from participation in any program or activity to which it is responsible or for which it receives financial assistance from the U.S. Department of Education.

Any question on Title VI, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin, section 504 which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicap, or Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex, should be directed to:

Superintendent
Perry Public Schools
2775 W. Britton Road, Box 900
Perry, MI 48872

TITLE IX

All students do have rights as citizens of the United States. All students have the right not to be discriminated against on the basis of sex. Under a special law they are protected against being treated unfairly simply because they are a young woman or young man. This law is called Title IX.

Since 1954, there have been federal and state laws which have prohibited discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, English language proficiency or sex. Title IX deals specifically with sex discrimination in education.

In 1972, to ensure that all educational programs and activities were open to all students and that students were not treated differently on the basis of their sex, Title IX of the Education Amendments Acts of 1972 was passed.

Title IX is a federal law which prohibits schools from discriminating on the basis of sex. It means that a school cannot treat young men and women differently just because of their sex.

Title IX says that... No person shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.

Questions regarding Title IX should be directed to:

Athletic Director
Perry Public Schools
2775 W. Britton Road, Box 900
Perry, MI 48872

Please complete the section below, detach and return to the Athletic Director

By Signing below, I am acknowledging that I have reviewed a copy of the Athletic handbook online, and agree to abide by the terms and conditions as stated in this document. I state that my child has a current physical on file with the school and I give medical consent to treat my child, and we have signed a Concussion Awareness Form for 2015-2016.

Parent Signature _____

Student Signature _____

Second Students Signature _____

Third Students Signature _____

Dated _____