

Schuylkill Valley School District  
**PIAA PREPARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION FORM**

# First Sport of the Year

**Student Information (to be completed by parent)**

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Sport: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade During the Sport Season: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Ethnicity: (circle one) American Indian/Alaskan Native Black Hispanic White Multi-Racial Asian Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander (info for PA reporting only)

Parent E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cellular phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Care Physician: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Office Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Insurance Carrier: \_\_\_\_\_ Policy Number \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Health Condition (s) of which an Emergency Physician or Other Medical Personnel Should be Aware: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Prescription Medications and conditions of which they are being prescribed: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Immunizations (e.g. tetanus/diphtheria; measles, mumps, rubella; hepatitis A, B; influenza, Poliomyelitis, Pneumococcal; meningococcal; varicella)

\_\_\_\_ Up to Date

\_\_\_\_ Not Up to Date Specify \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE EXPLAIN ALL YES ANSWERS AT THE BOTTOM OF THIS SECTION (circle **Y** for YES and **N** for NO):

1. Y N Has a doctor ever denied or restricted your participation in sport(s) for any reason?
2. Y N Do you have an ongoing medical condition (like Asthma or diabetes)?
3. Y N Are you currently taking any prescription or nonprescription (over-the-counter) medicines or pills?
4. Y N Do you have allergies to medicines, pollens, foods, or stinging insects?
5. Y N Have you ever passed out or nearly passed out DURING exercise?
6. Y N Have you ever passed out or nearly passed out AFTER exercise?
7. Y N Have you ever had discomfort, pain or pressure in your chest during exercise?
8. Y N Does your heart race or skip beats during exercise?
9. Y N Has your doctor ever told you that you have (check all that apply):  
 \_\_\_\_\_ High Blood Pressure \_\_\_\_\_ High Cholesterol \_\_\_\_\_ Heart Murmur \_\_\_\_\_ Heart Infection
10. Y N Has a doctor ever ordered a test for your heart (EX – ECG, echocardiogram)
11. Y N Has anyone in your family died for no apparent reason?
12. Y N Does anyone in your family have a heart problem?
13. Y N Has any family member or relative died of heart problem or of sudden death before age 50?
14. Y N Does anyone in your family have Marfan syndrome?
15. Y N Have you ever spent a night as a patient in the hospital?
16. Y N Have you ever had a stress fracture?
17. Y N Have you had any broken or fractured bones or dislocated joints? If yes, circle affected area below

18. Y N Have you ever had an injury, like a sprain, muscle or ligament tear, or tendonitis that caused you to miss a practice or contest?  
If yes, circle affected area below
19. Y N Have you had any broken or fractured bones or dislocated joints? If yes, circle affected area below.
20. Y N Have you had a bone or joint injury that required x-rays, MRI, CT, surgery, injections rehabilitation, physical therapy, a brace a cast or crutches? If yes, circle affected area below

Head	Neck	Shoulder	Upper Arm	Elbow	Forearm	Hand	Fingers	Chest
Upper Back	Lower Back	Hip	Thigh	Knee	Calf/Shin	Ankle	Foot	Toes

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- 21. Y N Have you ever been told that you have, or have you had an x-ray for, atlantoaxial (neck) instability?
- 22. Y N Do you regularly use a brace or assistive device?
- 23. Y N Has a doctor ever told you that you have asthma or allergies?
- 24. Y N Do you cough, wheeze or have difficulty breathing DURING or AFTER exercise?
- 25. Y N Is there anyone in your family who has asthma?
- 26. Y N Have you ever used an inhaler or taken asthma medicine?
- 27. Y N Were you born without or are you missing a kidney, an eye, a testicle, or any other organ?
- 28. Y N Have you had infectious mononucleosis (mono) within the last month?
- 29. Y N Do you have any rashes, pressure sores, or other skin problems?
- 30. Y N Have you had a herpes skin infection?
- 31. Y N Have you ever had a concussion (i.e. bell rung, ding, head rush) or traumatic brain injury?
- 32. Y N Have you ever been hit in the head and been confused or lost your memory?
- 33. Y N Do you experience dizziness and/or headaches with exercise?
- 34. Y N Have you ever had a seizure?
- 35. Y N Have you ever had numbness, tingling, or weakness in your arms or legs after being hit or falling?
- 36. Y N Have you ever been unable to move your arms or legs after being hit or falling?
- 37. Y N When exercising in the heat, do you have severe muscle cramps or become ill?
- 38. Y N Has your doctor told you that you or someone in your family has sickle cell trait or sickle cell disease?
- 39. Y N Have you had any problems with your eyes or vision?
- 40. Y N Do you wear glasses or contact lenses?
- 41. Y N Do you wear protective eyewear, such as goggles or a face shield?
- 42. Y N Are you unhappy with your weight?
- 43. Y N Are you trying to gain or lose weight?
- 44. Y N Has anyone recommended you change your weight or eating habits?
- 45. Y N Do you limit or carefully control what you eat?
- 46. Y N Have you ever had surgery?
- 47. Y N Do you have any concerns that you would like to discuss with a doctor?

**FEMALES ONLY**

- 48. Y N Have you ever had a menstrual period?
- 49. If yes, how old were you when you had your first menstrual period? \_\_\_\_\_
- 50. How many periods have you had in the past twelve (12) months? \_\_\_\_\_
- 51. Y N Are you pregnant?

**Please explain any yes answer to questions 1 – 50 in the space below**

No(s).	Please explain "YES" answers here:

**I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge all information contained herein is true and complete.**

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

**I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge all information contained herein is true and complete.**

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## PIAA Preparticipation Physical Evaluation Form – page 3

**Understanding of Eligibility Rules and Schuylkill Valley Athletic Code** – I hereby acknowledge that I am familiar with the requirements of PIAA concerning the eligibility of students at PIAA member schools to participate in Inter-School practices or Scrimmages and Contests involving PIAA member schools. Such requirements, which are posted on the PIAA web site at [www.piaa.org](http://www.piaa.org), include, but are not necessarily limited to age, amateur status, school attendance, health, transfer from one school to another, season and out-of-season rules and regulations, semesters of attendance, seasons of sports participation and academic performance. I further acknowledge that both the student contained herein and the parent/guardian have read and are familiar with the Schuylkill Valley Athletic/Activity Code.

**Disclosure of Records Needed to Determine Eligibility** – To enable PIAA to determine whether the herein named student is eligible to participate in interscholastic athletics involving PIAA member schools and to determine academic awards, I hereby consent to the release to PIAA and school district personnel of any and all portions of school record files, beginning with the seventh grade, of the herein named student specifically including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, birth and age records, name and residence address of parent(s) or guardian(s), residence address of the student, health records, academic work completed, grades received and attendance data.

**Permission to Use Name, Likeness, and Athletic Information** – I consent to PIAA and SVSD's use of the herein named student's name, likeness, and athletically related information in video broadcasts and re-broadcasts, webcasts and reports of Inter-School Practices or Scrimmages and Contests, promotional literature of the Association, and other materials and releases related to interscholastic athletics.

**Permission to Administer Emergency Medical Care** – I consent for an emergency medical care provider to administer any emergency medical care deemed advisable to the welfare of the herein named students while the student is practice for or participating in Inter-School Practices or Scrimmages and Contests. Further, this authorization permits, if reasonable efforts to contact me have been unsuccessful, physicians to hospitalize, secure appropriate consultation, to order injections, anesthesia (local, general, or both) or surgery for the herein named student. I hereby agree to pay for physicians' and/or surgeons' fees, hospital charges, and related expenses for such emergency medical care. I further give permission to the school's athletic administration, coaches and medical staff to consult with the Authorized Medical Professional who executes Section 6 regarding a medical condition or injury to the herein named student.

**Confidentiality** – The information on this Preparticipation Form shall be treated as confidential by school personnel. It may be used by the school's athletic administration, coaches and medical staff to determine athletic eligibility, to identify medical conditions and injuries, and to promote safety and injury prevention. In the event of an emergency, the information contained in this form may be shared with emergency medical personnel. Information about an injury or medical condition will not be shared with the public or media without written consent of the parent(s) or guardian(s).

**I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge that the aforementioned information is true and complete.**

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

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### UNDERSTANDING OF RISK OF CONCUSSION AND TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY

**What is a concussion?** A concussion is a brain injury that is caused by a bump, blow or jolt to the head or body. It can change the way a student's brain normally works. It can occur during practices or contests in any sport and can happen even if a student has not lost consciousness. It is serious even if a student has been "dinged" or "had their bell rung." All concussions are serious. A concussion can affect a student's ability to do schoolwork and other activities (such as playing video games, working on a computer, studying, driving or exercising). Most students with a concussion get better, but it is important to give the concussed student's brain time to heal. Most students with a concussion get better, but it is important to give the concussed student's brain time to heal.

**What are the symptoms of a concussion?** Concussions cannot be seen; however, in a potentially concussed student, **one or more** of the following symptoms listed may become apparent and/or the student "doesn't feel right" soon after, a few days after, or even weeks after the injury.

- |                                  |  |                               |
|----------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| - Headache or "pressure" in head | - Nausea or vomiting                       | - Confusion                   |
| - Balance problems or dizziness  | - Double or blurry vision                  | - Memory problems             |
| - Bothered by light or noise     | - Feeling sluggish, hazy, foggy, or groggy | - Difficulty paying attention |

**What should students do if they believe that they or someone else may have a concussion? Students feeling any of the symptoms set forth above should immediately tell their Coach and their parents.** Also, if they notice any teammate evidencing such symptoms, they should immediately tell their Coach. The student will then be referred to the Schuylkill Valley Athletic Trainer and School Physician. These individuals will then follow the SV Concussion protocol in treating the student.

**Concussed students should give themselves time to get better.** If a student has sustained a concussion, the student's brain needs time to heal. While a concussed student's brain is still healing, that student is much more likely to have another concussion. Repeat concussions can increase the time it takes for an already concussed student to recover and may cause more damage to that student's brain. Such damage can have long term consequences. It is important that a concussed student rest and not return to play until the student receives permission from the Athletic Trainer and Team Physician and is symptom-free.

**How can students prevent a concussion?** Every sport is different, but there are steps students can take to protect themselves. Students should use proper sports equipment, including personal protective equipment. For equipment to properly protect a student, it must be the right equipment for the sport, position, or activity and it must be worn correctly and the correct size and fit. It must be used every time the student practices and/or competes. The student must also follow the coach's rules for safety and the rules of the sport and practice good sportsmanship at all time.

**If a student believes they may have a concussion: Don't hide it. Report it. Take time to recover.**

**I hereby acknowledge that I am familiar with the nature and risk of concussion and traumatic brain injury while participating in interscholastic athletics, including the risks associated with continuing to compete after a concussion or traumatic brain injury.**

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

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### UNDERSTANDING SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST SYMPTOMS AND WARNING SIGNS

**What is sudden cardiac arrest?** Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA) is when the heart stops beating suddenly and unexpectedly. When this happens blood stops flowing to the brain and other vital organs. SCA is not a heart attack, which may cause SCA; however, they are not the same. A heart attack is caused by a blockage that stops the flow of blood to the heart. SCA is a malfunction in the heart's electrical system, causing the heart to suddenly stop beating.

**How common is SCA in the United States and what are the warning signs?** There are about 300,000 cardiac arrests outside hospitals each year. About 2,000 patients under 35 die of SCA each year. Although SCA happens unexpectedly, some people may have signs or symptoms, such as:

- |                        |                       |   |
|------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| - Dizziness            | - Fatigue             | - Lightheadedness                               |
| - Weakness             | - Shortness of breath | - Nausea  |
| - Difficulty breathing | - Vomiting            | - Racing or fluttering heartbeat (palpitations) |
| - Chest pains          | - Syncope (fainting)  |   |

**What are the risks of practicing or playing after experiencing these symptoms?** There are risks associated with continuing to practice or play after experiencing these symptoms. When the heart stops, so does the blood that flows to the brain and other vital organs. Death or permanent brain damage can occur in just a few minutes. Most people who have SCA die from it. Any student-athlete who has signs or symptoms of SCA must be removed from play (including all athletic activity). The symptoms can happen before, during or after activity. Before returning to play, the athlete must be evaluated and clearance to return must be in writing. The evaluation must be performed by a licensed physician, certified registered nurse practitioner or cardiologist. These individuals may consult any other licensed or certified medical professionals.

**I have reviewed and understand the symptoms and warning signs of SCA**

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

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# PIAA EVALUATION and CERTIFICATION of AUTHORIZED MEDICAL EXAMINER

Form must be completed and signed by the Authorized Medical Examiner performing the herein named student's comprehensive initial preparticipation physical evaluation and turned in to the Principal, or the Principal's designee, of the student's school.

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Sport(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Enrolled in: Schuylkill Valley School District

Height \_\_\_\_\_ Weight \_\_\_\_\_ % Body Fat (optional) \_\_\_\_\_ Pulse \_\_\_\_\_ BP \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_)  
Age 10-13 BP>126/82 RP>104 Age 13-15 BP>136/86 RP>100 Age 16-25 BP142/92 RP>96

Vision R20/\_\_\_\_ L20/\_\_\_\_ Corrected YES NO (circle one) Pupils: Equal \_\_\_\_\_ Unequal \_\_\_\_\_

<b>MEDICAL</b>	<b>NORMAL</b>	<b>ABNORMAL FINDINGS</b>
Appearance	_____	_____
Eyes/Ears/Nose/Throat	_____	_____
Hearing	_____	_____
Lymph Nodes	_____	_____
Cardiovascular	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Heart Murmur <input type="checkbox"/> Femoral Pulses to exclude aortic coarctation <input type="checkbox"/> Physical stigmata of Marfan Syndrome _____
Cardiopulmonary	_____	_____
Lungs	_____	_____
Abdomen	_____	_____
Genitourinary (males only)	_____	_____
Neurological	_____	_____
Skin	_____	_____

**MUSCULOSKELETAL**

Neck	_____	_____
Back	_____	_____
Shoulders/Arms	_____	_____
Elbows/Forearms	_____	_____
Wrists/Hands/Fingers	_____	_____
Hips/Thighs	_____	_____
Knees	_____	_____
Legs/Ankles	_____	_____
Feet/Toes	_____	_____

I hereby certify that I have reviewed the HEALTH HISTORY, performed a comprehensive initial preparticipation physical evaluation of the herein named student, and, on the basis of such evaluation and the student's HEALTH HISTORY, certify that, except as specified below, the student is physically fit to participate in Practices, Inter-School Practices, Scrimmages, and/or Contests in the sport(s) consented to by the student's parent/guardian on the PIAA Preparticipation Physical Evaluation Form and further certify that the student does not have any communicable illness or condition which would pose a danger to teammates and/or competitors:

\_\_\_\_\_ CLEARED      \_\_\_\_\_ CLEARED, with recommendation(s) for further evaluation or treatment for: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ NOT CLEARED for the following type of sports (please check all the apply)

\_\_\_\_\_ Collision    \_\_\_\_\_ Contact    \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Contact    \_\_\_\_\_ Strenuous    \_\_\_\_\_ Moderately Strenuous    \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Strenuous

Due to \_\_\_\_\_

Recommendation(s)/Referral(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Medical Examiner's Name (print/type if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_ License # \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Examiner's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ MD/DO/PAC/CRNP/SNP (circle one) Date Auth \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\* MUST BE AUTHORIZED NO EARLIER THAN JUNE 1 FOR EACH NEW SCHOOL YEAR \*\***

**Physical valid until the latter of the next May 31 or the conclusion of the current spring sports season**

## 2020-2021 SUPPLEMENTAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, WAIVER AND RELEASE: COVID-19

The COVID-19 pandemic presents athletes with a myriad of challenges concerning this highly contagious illness. Some severe outcomes have been reported in children, and even a child with a mild or even asymptomatic case of COVID-19 can spread the infection to others who may be far more vulnerable.

While it is not possible to eliminate all risk of being infected with or furthering the spread of COVID-19, PIAA has urged all member schools to take necessary precautions and comply with guidelines from the federal, state, and local governments, the CDC and the PA Departments of Health and Education to reduce the risks to athletes, coaches, and their families. As knowledge regarding COVID-19 is constantly changing, PIAA reserves the right to adjust and implement precautionary methods as necessary to decrease the risk of exposure to athletes, coaches and other involved persons. Additionally, each school has been required to adopt internal protocols to reduce the risk of transmission.

The undersigned acknowledge that they are aware of the highly contagious nature of COVID-19 and the risks that they may be exposed to or contract COVID-19 or other communicable diseases by permitting the undersigned student to participate in interscholastic athletics. We understand and acknowledge that such exposure or infection may result in serious illness, personal injury, permanent disability or death. We acknowledge that this risk may result from or be compounded by the actions, omissions, or negligence of others. The undersigned further acknowledge that certain vulnerable individuals may have greater health risks associated with exposure to COVID-19, including individuals with serious underlying health conditions such as, but not limited to: high blood pressure, chronic lung disease, diabetes, asthma, and those whose immune systems that are compromised by chemotherapy for cancer, and other conditions requiring such therapy. While particular recommendations and personal discipline may reduce the risks associated with participating in athletics during the COVID-19 pandemic, these risks do exist. Additionally, persons with COVID-19 may transmit the disease to others who may be at higher risk of severe complications.

By signing this form, the undersigned acknowledge, after having undertaken to review and understand both symptoms and possible consequences of infection, that we understand that participation in interscholastic athletics during the COVID-19 pandemic is strictly voluntary and that we agree that the undersigned student may participate in such interscholastic athletics. The undersigned also understand that student participants will, in the course of competition, interact with and likely have contact with athletes from their own, as well as other, schools, including schools from other areas of the Commonwealth. Moreover, they understand and acknowledge that our school, PIAA and its member schools cannot guarantee that transmission will not occur for those participating in interscholastic athletics.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH COVID-19, WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE ARE VOLUNTARILY ALLOWING STUDENT TO PARTICIPATE IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS WITH KNOWLEDGE OF THE DANGER INVOLVED. WE HEREBY AGREE TO ACCEPT AND ASSUME ALL RISKS OF PERSONAL INJURY, ILLNESS, DISABILITY AND/OR DEATH RELATED TO COVID-19, ARISING FROM SUCH PARTICIPATION, WHETHER CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF PIAA OR OTHERWISE.

We hereby expressly waive and release any and all claims, now known or hereafter known, against the student's school, PIAA, and its officers, directors, employees, agents, members, successors, and assigns (collectively, "Releasees"), on account of injury, illness, disability, death, or property damage arising out of or attributable to Student's participation in interscholastic athletics and being exposed to or contracting COVID-19, whether arising out of the negligence of PIAA or any Releasees or otherwise. We covenant not to make or bring any such claim against PIAA or any other Releasee, and forever release and discharge PIAA and all other Releasees from liability under such claims.

Additionally, we shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the student's school, PIAA and all other Releasees against any and all losses, damages, liabilities, deficiencies, claims, actions, judgments, settlements, interest, awards, penalties, fines, costs, or expenses of whatever kind, including attorney fees, fees, and the costs of enforcing any right to indemnification and the cost of pursuing any insurance providers, incurred by/awarded against the student's school, PIAA or any other Releasees in a final judgment arising out or resulting from any claim by, or on behalf of, any of us related to COVID-19.

We willingly agree to comply with the stated guidelines put forth by the student's school and PIAA to limit the exposure and spread of COVID-19 and other communicable diseases. We certify that the student is, to the best of our knowledge, in good physical condition and allow participation in this sport at our own risk. By signing this Supplement, we acknowledge that we have received and reviewed the student's school athletic plan.

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

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## ACT 73 – PEYTON'S LAW – ELECTROCARDIOGRAM TESTING FOR STUDENT ATHLETES

The Act is intended to keep student-athletes safe while practicing or playing. Please review the warning signs/symptoms and know that you can request, at your expense, an electrocardiogram (EKG or ECG) to help uncover hidden heart issues that can lead to SCA.

### Why Do Heart Conditions That Put Youth at Risk Go Undetected?

- Up to 90 percent of underlying heart issues are missed when using only the history and physical exam;
- Most heart conditions that can lead to SCA are not detectable by listening to the heart with a stethoscope during a routine physical; and
- Often, youth don't report or recognize symptoms of a potential heart condition.

### What is an Electrocardiogram (EKG or ECG)?

An ECG/EKG is a quick, painless and noninvasive test that measures and records a moment in time of the heart's electrical activity. Small electrode patches are attached to the skin of your chest, arms and legs by a technician. An ECG/EKG provides information about the structure, function, rate and rhythm of the heart.

### Why Add an ECG/EKG to the Physical Examination?

Adding an ECG/EKG to the history and physical exam can suggest further testing or help identify up to two-thirds of heart conditions that can lead to SCA. An ECG/EKG can be ordered by your physician for screening for cardiovascular disease (ICD 10 code: Z13.6) or for a variety of symptoms such as chest pain, palpitations, dizziness, fainting, or family history of heart disease and will generally be paid for by insurance.

- ECG/EKG screenings should be considered every 1-2 years because young hearts grow and change.
- ECG/EKG screenings may increase sensitivity for detection of undiagnosed cardiac disease but may not prevent SCA.
- ECG/EKG screenings with abnormal findings will need to be evaluated by trained physicians.
- If the ECG/EKG screening has abnormal findings, additional testing may need to be done (with associated cost and risk) before a diagnosis can be made, and may prevent the student from participating in sports for a short period of time until the testing is completed and more specific recommendations can be made.
- The ECG/EKG can have false positive findings, suggesting an abnormality that does not really exist after more testing (false positive findings occur less than 3% of the time when ECG/EKGs are read by a medical practitioner proficient in ECG/EKG interpretation of children, adolescents and young athletes.).
- ECGs/EKGs result in fewer false positives than the current history and physical exam (10%).

The American College of Cardiology/American Heart Association guidelines do not recommend an ECG or EKG in asymptomatic patients but do support local programs in which ECG or EKG can be applied with high-quality resources.

### Removal from play/return to play

Any student-athlete who has signs or symptoms of SCA must be removed from play. The symptoms can happen before, during, or after activity. Play includes all athletic activity.

Before returning to play, the athlete must be evaluated. Clearance to return to play must be in writing. The evaluation must be performed by a licensed physician, certified registered nurse practitioner, or cardiologist (heart doctor). The licensed physician or certified registered nurse practitioner may consult any other licensed or certified medical professionals.

I have reviewed this form and understand the symptoms and warning signs of SCA. I have also read the information about the electrocardiogram testing and how it may help to detect hidden heart issues.

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

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_