Concussion Protocol for Allen Park High School

Allen Park High School/Henry Ford Health System

Return to Play Protocol

- 1. <u>Online Testing</u>: Athlete must take Impact online post-test with the athletic trainer and pass per physician's recommendations.
- 2. <u>Light Aerobic Exercise (day 1)</u>: After you are symptom-free for 24 hours, try non-impact activities such as stationary bike, elliptical, or swimming for 20-30 minutes. Keep heart rate at 60% of your maximum heart rate. **(220 your age x .60)**
- 3. <u>Exercise (day 2):</u> May include non-impact activity for 45 minutes or a combination of non-impact and impact activities for 45 minutes
- 4. <u>Non-contact training/practice drills (day 3)</u>: Can participate in practice, but nothing that would require contact (scrimmaging, drills that are 1v1, etc)
- 5. Full contact training/practice (day 4): Must have clearance from a physician to return to contact
- 6. Return to competition (day 5): must have final clearance with MHSAA compliant note signed by physician, parent and student
- ** Athlete must check in with athletic trainer at APHS for clearance to proceed to next step.
- ** If symptoms return at any time during exercise, **stop** and let the athletic trainer know. The athlete will repeat that same step once he/she is symptom free for a full 24 hours.
- ** Athletic trainer will communicate directly with coaches regarding athlete's status.

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