



### OHSAA AUTHORIZATION FORM

I hereby authorize the release and disclosure of the personal health information of \_\_\_\_\_ ("Student"), as described below, to \_\_\_\_\_ ("School").

The information described below may be released to the School principal or assistant principal, athletic director, coach, athletic trainer, physical education teacher, school nurse or other member of the School's administrative staff as necessary to evaluate the Student's eligibility to participate in school sponsored activities, including but not limited to interscholastic sports programs, physical education classes or other classroom activities.

Personal health information of the Student which may be released and disclosed includes records of physical examinations performed to determine the Student's eligibility to participate in school sponsored activities, including but not limited to the Pre-participation Evaluation form or other similar document required by the School prior to determining eligibility of the Student to participate in classroom or other School sponsored activities; records of the evaluation, diagnosis and treatment of injuries which the Student incurred while engaging in school sponsored activities, including but not limited to practice sessions, training and competition; and other records as necessary to determine the Student's physical fitness to participate in school sponsored activities.

The personal health information described above may be released or disclosed to the School by the Student's personal physician or physicians; a physician or other health care professional retained by the School to perform physical examinations to determine the Student's eligibility to participate in certain school sponsored activities or to provide treatment to students injured while participating in such activities, whether or not such physicians or other health care professionals are paid for their services or volunteer their time to the School; or any other EMT, hospital, physician or other health care professional who evaluates, diagnoses or treats an injury or other condition incurred by the student while participating in school sponsored activities.

I understand that the School has requested this authorization to release or disclose the personal health information described above to make certain decisions about the Student's health and ability to participate in certain school sponsored and classroom activities, and that the School is a not a health care provider or health plan covered by federal HIPAA privacy regulations, and the information described below may be redisclosed and may not continue to be protected by the federal HIPAA privacy regulations. I also understand that the School is covered under the federal regulations that govern the privacy of educational records, and that the personal health information disclosed under this authorization may be protected by those regulations.

I also understand that health care providers and health plans may not condition the provision of treatment or payment on the signing of this authorization; however, the Student's participation in certain school sponsored activities may be conditioned on the signing of this authorization.

I understand that I may revoke this authorization in writing at any time, except to the extent that action has been taken by a health care provider in reliance on this authorization, by sending a written revocation to the school principal (or designee) whose name and address appears below.

Name of Principal: \_\_\_\_\_  
School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

This authorization will expire when the student is no longer enrolled as a student at the school.

**NOTE: IF THE STUDENT IS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE, THIS AUTHORIZATION MUST BE SIGNED BY A PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN TO BE VALID. IF THE STUDENT IS 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OVER, THE STUDENT MUST SIGN THIS AUTHORIZATION PERSONALLY.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Signature Birth date of Student, including year

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Student's personal representative, if applicable  
I am the Student's (check one):  Parent  Legal Guardian (documentation must be provided)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Student's personal representative, if applicable Date

A copy of this signed form has been provided to the student or his/her personal representative  
**THE STUDENT SHALL NOT BE CLEARED TO PARTICIPATE IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS UNTIL THIS FORM HAS BEEN SIGNED AND RETURNED TO THE SCHOOL**

# 2009-2010 Ohio High School Athletic Association Eligibility and Authorization Statement

This document is to be signed by the participant from an OHSAA member school and by the participant's parent.

I have read, understand and acknowledge receipt of the OHSAA brochure entitled "Your Athletic Eligibility," which contains a summary of the eligibility rules of the Ohio High School Athletic Association. I understand that a copy of the *OHSAA Handbook* is on file with the principal and athletic administrator and that I may review it, in its entirety, if I so choose. All OHSAA bylaws and regulations from the *Handbook* are also posted on the OHSAA web site at [www.ohsaa.org](http://www.ohsaa.org).

I understand that an OHSAA member school must adhere to all rules and regulations that pertain to the interscholastic athletics programs that the school sponsors, but that local rules may be more stringent than OHSAA rules.

I understand that participation in interscholastic athletics is a privilege not a right.

## Student Code of Responsibility

As a student athlete, I understand and accept the following responsibilities:

I will respect the rights and beliefs of others and will treat others with courtesy and consideration

I will be fully responsible for my own actions and the consequences of my actions

I will respect the property of others

I will respect and obey the rules of my school and laws of my community, state and country

I will show respect to those who are responsible for enforcing the rules of my school and the laws of my community, state and country

I understand that a student whose character or conduct violates the school's Athletic Code or School Code of Responsibility is not in good standing and is ineligible for a period of time as determined by the principal

**Informed Consent** – By its nature, participation in interscholastic athletics includes risk of injury and transmission of infectious disease such as HIV and Hepatitis B. Although serious injuries are not common and the risk of HIV transmission is almost nonexistent in supervised school athletic programs, it is impossible to eliminate all risk. Participants have a responsibility to help reduce that risk. Participants must obey all safety rules, report all physical and hygiene problems to their coaches, follow a proper conditioning program, and inspect their own equipment daily. **PARENTS, GUARDIANS OR STUDENTS WHO MAY NOT WISH TO ACCEPT RISK DESCRIBED IN THIS WARNING SHOULD NOT SIGN THIS FORM. STUDENTS MAY NOT PARTICIPATE IN AN OHSAA-SPONSORED SPORT WITHOUT THE STUDENT'S AND PARENT'S/GUARDIAN'S SIGNATURE.**

I understand that in the case of injury or illness requiring transportation to a health care facility, that a reasonable attempt will be made to contact the parent or guardian in the case of the student-athlete being a minor, but that, if necessary, the student-athlete will be transported via ambulance to the nearest hospital.

To enable the OHSAA to determine whether the herein named student is eligible to participate in interscholastic athletics in an OHSAA member school I consent to the release to the OHSAA any and all portions of school record files, beginning with 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, academic work completed, grades received and attendance data.

I consent to the OHSAA's use of the herein named student's name, likeness, and athletic-related information in reports of contests, promotional literature of the Association and other materials and releases related to interscholastic athletics.

By signing this we acknowledge that we have read the above information and that we consent to the herein named student's participation.

### \*Must Be Signed Before Physical Examination

Student's Signature

Birth date

Grade in School

Date

Parent's or Guardian's Signature

Date

