

Required Annual Forms

As a prerequisite to JUBILEE ACADEMIC CENTER (School) student participation in interscholastic athletic activities, the Superintendent or designee shall develop and submit to the Board for approval a concussion prevention plan addressing concussion prevention, symptoms, treatment, and oversight and that includes guidelines for safely resuming participation in an athletic activity following a concussion. The Board-approved plan shall then be submitted to the University Interscholastic League for its review and approval.

Student participation in interscholastic athletic activity is conditioned upon the School's receipt of an executed form signed by the student and the student's parent or guardian or another person with legal authority to make medical decisions for the student acknowledging receipt and understanding of the School's approved concussion prevention plan.

Selection of Concussion Oversight Team

The Board shall appoint or approve a concussion oversight team, which must include at least one physician and, to the greatest extent practicable, other licensed health care professionals, such as:

1. An athletic trainer;
2. An advanced practice nurse;
3. A neuropsychologist; or
4. A physician assistant.

An athletic trainer employed by the School must be a member of the concussion oversight team.

Each member of the concussion oversight team must have had training in the evaluation, treatment, and oversight of concussions at the time of appointment or approval as a member of the team.

Concussion Oversight Team

Each concussion oversight team shall establish a return-to-play protocol, based on peer-reviewed scientific evidence, for a student's return to interscholastic athletics practice or competition following the force or impact believed to have caused a concussion.

Removal from Play in Practice or Competition

A student shall be removed from an interscholastic athletics practice or competition immediately if one or the following persons believes the student might have sustained a concussion during the practice or competition:

1. A coach;
2. A physician;
3. A licensed health care professional; or
4. The student's parent.

A student removed from a practice or competition may not be permitted to practice or compete again until:

1. The student has been evaluated, using established medical protocols based on peer-reviewed scientific evidence, by a treating physician chosen by the student or the student's parent;
2. The student has successfully completed each of the return-to-play protocol established by the concussion oversight team;
3. The treating physician has provided a written statement indicating that, in the physician's professional judgment, it is safe for the student to return to play; and
4. The student and the student's parent:
 - a. Have acknowledged that the student has completed the requirements of the return-to-play protocol;
 - b. Have provided the treating physician's written statement to the Superintendent or designee; and
 - c. Have signed a consent form indicating that the person signing:
 - i. Has been informed concerning and consents to the student participating in returning to play in accordance with the return-to-play protocol;
 - ii. Understands the risks associated with the student returning to play and will comply with any ongoing requirements in the return-to-play protocol;
 - iii. Consents to the disclosure to appropriate persons, consistent with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, of the treating physician's written statement and, if any, the return-to-play recommendations of the treating physician; and
 - iv. Understands the immunity provisions under Education Code 38.159.

A coach of an interscholastic athletics team may not authorize a student's return to play.

Supervisory Responsibilities

A coach of an interscholastic athletic team may not be designated as a person responsible for assuring compliance with this policy.

Training Courses

The School shall develop procedures to insure that the following persons take an appropriate training course approved by the University Interscholastic League from an authorized training provider at least once every two years:

1. A coach of an interscholastic athletic activity;
2. A licensed health care professional who serves as a member of a concussion oversight team and is an employee, representative, or agent of the School;
and
3. A licensed health care professional who serves on a volunteer basis as a member of a concussion oversight team.

A physician who serves as a member of a concussion oversight team shall, to the greatest extent possible, periodically take an appropriate continuing medical education course in the subject matter of concussions.

Each person identified in this section must submit proof of timely completion of an approved course to the Superintendent or designee. A licensed health care professional who is not in compliance with the requirements of this section may not serve on a concussion oversight team in any capacity.