

PORT HURON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

***ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION, RISK OF INJURY, INSURANCE COVERAGE, TRAVEL
PERMIT, SPORTSMANSHIP***

PARENTAL CONSENT FORM

Directions: This form must be completed, signed by a parent or legal guardian and returned to the school before a student will be allowed to participate in interscholastic athletics. Please read the information carefully and contact your school's athletic director if you have any questions.

Risk of Injury: I am aware that playing or practicing in interscholastic sports can be a dangerous activity involving many risks of injury. These injuries could include the following injuries to my child as a result of his/her participation: bruises and cuts, muscle tears, sprains and strains, broken bones, closed head injuries, partial or full paralysis, death, other impairments to the body or mind. I acknowledge that the risk of injury will vary by type of activity and sport.

Insurance Coverage: I acknowledge that the school ***does not*** provide insurance coverage for athletes. I understand that it is my child's responsibility to report accidents that occur in school sponsored and supervised interscholastic sports to his/her coach immediately. I understand that it remains my responsibility to seek appropriate medical treatment and to pay for all medical expenses resulting from injuries incurred while my child participates in athletics.

Travel: I grant permission for my child to travel to and from authorized school athletic events or practices for the season by means of school bus, private car or walking (Note: private car is meant to be one driven by the coach or other authorized person).

Sportsmanship: The Port Huron Area School District Board of Education has adopted the following code of good sportsmanship for our athletes, coaches and spectators involved in interscholastic athletics.

Mission

The Port Huron Area School District will make every reasonable effort to ensure that all individuals associated with our athletic programs and contests conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner.

Guidelines

The following actions on the part of players, coaches, parents and/or spectators will not be tolerated:

- Physically or verbally abusing any official, coach, player or spectator.
- Inciting participants or spectators to violent behavior.
- Using profanity, vulgarity, making derogatory or demeaning comments, or making obscene gestures (verbal or written).
- Mistreatment of the facilities or equipment.
- Throwing of objects onto the playing surface or at participants or spectators.

- Unauthorized entering of the field of play.
- Other acts of conduct deemed by the school personnel supervising the event as inappropriate.

Penalties

Penalties for unsportsmanlike conduct may result in, but are not limited to the following:

- Verbal warning.
- Removal from the facilities.
- Barring an individual from attending future athletic events.
- Issuance of a no-trespassing order prohibiting an individual from entering school property or attending school functions.
- Contact law enforcement and possible criminal prosecution.

Additional penalties for unsportsmanlike behavior on the part of players, students, coaches and school personnel will be administered in accordance with established District policies.

I understand and agree to abide by the sportsmanship guidelines established by the school district. I realize that I (and my guests) will be subject to the penalties described if I (or my guests) engage in conduct that is deemed unsportsmanlike at any Port Huron Area School District athletic function.

Participation Agreement: I understand the potential risks of injury and agree the Port Huron Area School District and anyone associated with it will not be held responsible for any loss, injury or death related to my child’s participation in the school athletic program except for injuries or damages caused by an authorized Port Huron Area School District agent resulting from the agent’s gross negligence or intentional act as determined by a court of law.

I also recognize that it is my responsibility to support and obey the rules of the school, facility, team, and the coaching staff, and to conduct myself in a sportsmanlike manner at all school activities.

My signature at the bottom of this form means that I have read, understand and agree to these terms of my child participating in athletic activities.

Student’s Name (please print)

School

Parent/Guardian Name (please print)

Sport

Parent/Guardian’s Signature

Date