



# CHILLICOTHE

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## ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION RELEASE FORM – NON - PARENT/GUARDIAN THIRD PARTY PERSON POV

I, \_\_\_\_\_, parent/guardian/custodian of \_\_\_\_\_, request and give permission to have my son/daughter take alternative transportation by privately owned vehicle operated by (Name of Third-Party providing transportation) \_\_\_\_\_ to the (Name of Sport) \_\_\_\_\_ game against \_\_\_\_\_ High School at \_\_\_\_\_, Ohio due to (Describe reason student-athlete cannot ride school-provided transportation)

\_\_\_\_\_ which prevents my child from traveling on the team bus to the game. I agree, on behalf of myself and my child, to assume all risks including any damages resulting from physical injuries, death, loss of services or consortium, loss of damage to property, or any other loss which I or my child may sustain as a result of such alternative transportation by privately owned vehicle to participate in such contest. I further agree to provide a copy of the above-named operator's valid driver's license and proof of insurance to the CHS Athletic Department prior to providing alternative transportation by privately owned vehicle.

In consideration of allowing my child to be transported by privately owned vehicle operated by \_\_\_\_\_ to/from the (Name of Sport) \_\_\_\_\_ game against \_\_\_\_\_ High School at \_\_\_\_\_, Ohio, I hereby for myself, my child, and for all heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, do hereby forever release, waive, relinquish, absolve, indemnify and hold harmless the Chillicothe School District and all of its officers, employees or agents from any and all claims and responsibility related to this travel.

Dated this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 201\_\_.

Parent/Guardian/Custodian Signature\* \_\_\_\_\_

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**\*Both parents must sign unless only one has legal custody.**

## TRAVEL

CHS athletic teams directly represent their community, school, and coaches when competing, including on trips to and from away contests. It is expected that all concerned be well-dressed according to the description of the Athletic Department and conduct themselves in an acceptable manner. The head coach and athletic director will describe appropriate dress for travel.

Travel arrangements for athletic teams will be coordinated by the transportation supervisor and the athletic director or the athletic administrative assistant. A sports master schedule will be provided to every head coach asking for departure times to away schools, and the Athletic Department will provide all coaches with information and a transportation schedule. In addition, the transportation schedule for athletic contests is available on the GoFMX computer system on the District website. Coaches should review the transportation schedule with the athletic director and the athletic administrative assistant and communicate any requested modifications as soon as possible. Coaches should not contact the transportation director or transportation department directly, but should request modifications through the athletic director or the athletic administrative assistant.

All members of a team will travel together to away contests, unless otherwise determined by the coach and the athletic director. Private vehicles shall not be used for interscholastic athletic activities unless advance approval is given by the athletic director and building principal. In no case will students be approved as drivers for transporting athletic teams. No person should ride the provided means of transportation other than the following: a member of the team, a cheerleader, a coach or advisor, a school official, or official team support personnel. Any exception to this rule must be granted in advance by the building principal.

### OHSAA General Sports Regulation 21 provides:

It is the responsibility of the Board of Education or other governing board of a member school to provide for the safe transportation of student-athletes and other contest participants to and from athletic events. Travel must be supervised by staff members or designated representatives of the member school.

Therefore, it is recommended that schools require student-athletes and other participants in interscholastic athletic events to travel with their school squads in school-authorized carriers. It is not recommended that students be released to travel with parents or other persons; however, permission to make alternative travel arrangements remains the purview of the Board of Education/governing board of the member school. In the event that such alternative arrangements are approved, it is strongly recommended that the Board of Education secure proof of insurance from those who will be providing the transportation.

Accordingly, whenever the team has an away contest, the general rule is that all student-athletes are expected to ride the school-provided team transportation to and from the contest. In addition, the general rule is that when there are away contests involving multiple CHS teams or athletes in the same sport, all athletes and CHS teams should stay and watch their teammates and teams compete until the last contest has been completed. Exceptions can be made, but the athletic director and the building principal must approve these in advance. If the exception is not approved,

transportation supervisor, at least thirty days in advance of a requested trip, except in the event of post-season travel and contests where the usual required 30 day notice is impractical or impossible. In such instances, applications for chartered buses or other non-school-provided transportation should be submitted as soon as possible.

