Winship Middle School



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Dear Parents/Guardians of prospective Winship athletes -

Winship Middle School takes appropriate steps to protect your student athlete from injuries. Even so, accidents can and do happen while participating in school sports. Winship Middle School does not provide medical insurance coverage for school related injuries. This means that you are responsible for the medical bills if your student is injured during a sporting event.

Education Code section 32221.5 - Pupil's Insurance for Athletic Teams

"Under state law, school districts are required to insure that all members of school athletic teams have accidental injury insurance that covers medical and hospital expenses. This insurance requirement can be met by the school district offering insurance or other health benefits that cover medical and hospital expenses.

Some pupils may qualify to enroll in no cost or low-cost local, state, or federally sponsored health insurance programs. Information about these programs may be obtained by calling 1-800-880-5305".

As a parent and/or guardian of	,
I understand that the school district does not	provide medical insurance for student injuries.
Health Insurance company	
Policy number	
Parent / Guardian signature	Date

WINSHIP MIDDLE SCHOOL ATHLETIC PARENTAL CONSENT & EMERGENCY CARE CARD

Student Name:	7:	
Home Address:		
Date of Birth:	Grade:	
to be administered to our daughter/son in	e minor student athlete, I (we) permit emergency medical care the event it is required, as deemed necessary by the Winship ring related athletic activities. I (we) will be notified and not should this situation arise.	9
Signature:	Date:	
C	Date:	
Home Phone:	Cell/Work	
Insurance Carrier:		
Policy Number:		

Acknowledgement and Assumption of Potential Risk Voluntary Sports Activity

(Student Name)	has my	permission to participate in the activity
listed below. I fully understand	the following:	
Wrestling, Tennis, Cross Country, C poses some inherent risk of a particip	Golf, Other	ding, Track & Field, Baseball, Soccer, by its very nature, These injuries could include, but are not
		7. Head injuries/Concussion8. Loss of eyesight/hearing9. Deathat the participation is voluntary
and is not required by the sch I understand and acknowledge that in assume liability and responsibility for in such activities.	n order to participate in these a	ctivities, I and my son/daughter agree to ich may be associated with participation
its employees, officers, agents, or vol which is incident to and/or associat	unteers, shall not be liable for ted with preparing for and/or s employees, officers, agents,	School District, any injury suffered by my son/ daughter participating in this activity. I further or volunteers from any liability for loss stolen.
List any medical conditions, allergie	s or other limiting factors:	
* Medical examination release has b Family physician name:		
Health insurance/MEDI-CAL per Ed Plan name and number:	ducation Code 32220-32224:	Yes No (Circle one)
In the event of illness or injury, I do necessary in the best judgement of the read this Voluntary Sports Activities	e attending physicians or denti	nospital treatments that are determined sts. I acknowledge that I have carefully and agree to its terms.
Parent/legal guardian (if under 18)		Date
Student signature		Date

^{*} Medical exams are required for all athletic participants (including cheerleaders) of any school sports team (K-12). Participation includes: tryout (except cheerleading tryouts that only have standing cheers), practice and competitive play. Band members and team managers - i.e., non-playing field participants are exempt.

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Concussion Information Sheet

What can happen if my child keeps on playing with a concussion or returns to soon?

Athletes with the signs and symptoms of concussion should be removed from play immediately. Continuing to play with the signs and symptoms of a concussion leaves the young athlete especially vulnerable to greater injury. There is an increased risk of significant damage from a concussion for a period of time after that concussion occurs, particularly if the athlete suffers another concussion before completely recovering from the first one. This can lead to prolonged recovery, or even to severe brain swelling (second impact syndrome) with devastating and even fatal consequences. It is well known that adolescent or teenage athlete will often under report symptoms of injuries. And concussions are no different. As a result, education of administrators, coaches, parents and students is the key for student-athlete's safety.

If you think your child has suffered a concussion

Any athlete even suspected of suffering a concussion should be removed from the game or practice immediately. No athlete may return to activity after an apparent head injury or concussion, regardless of how mild it seems or how quickly symptoms clear, without medical clearance. Close observation of the athlete should continue for several hours. The new CIF_Bylaw 313 now requires implementation of long and well-established return to play concussion guidelines that have been recommended for several years:

"A student-athlete who is suspected of sustaining a concussion or head injury in a practice or game shall be removed from competition at that time and for the remainder of the day."

and

"A student-athlete who has been removed may not return to play until the athlete is evaluated by a licensed heath care provider trained in the evaluation and management of concussion and received written clearance to return to play from that health care provider".

You should also inform your child's coach if you think that your child may have a concussion Remember its better to miss one game than miss the whole season. And when in doubt, the athlete sits out.

For current and up-to-date information on concussions you can go to: http://www.cdc.gov/ConcussionInYouthSports/

Student-athlete Name Printed	Student-athlete Signature	Date
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Parent or Legal Guardian Printed	Parent or Legal Guardian Signature	Date

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A concussion is a brain injury and all brain injuries are serious. They are caused by a bump, blow, or jolt to the head, or by a blow to another part of the body with the force transmitted to the head. They can range from mild to severe and can disrupt the way the brain normally works. Even though most concussions are mild, all concussions are potentially serious and may result in complications including prolonged brain damage and death if not recognized and managed properly. In other words, even a "ding" or a bump on the head can be serious. You can't see a concussion and most sports concussions occur without loss of consciousness. Signs and symptoms of concussion may show up right after the injury or can take hours or days to fully appear. If your child reports any symptoms of concussion, or if you notice the symptoms or signs of concussion yourself, seek medical attention right away.

Symptoms may include one or more of the following:

- Headaches
- · "Pressure in head"
- Nausea or vomiting
- Neck pain
- Balance problems or dizziness
- Blurred, double, or fuzzy vision
- Sensitivity to light or noise
- Feeling sluggish or slowed down
- Feeling foggy or groggy
- Drowsiness
- Change in sleep patterns

- Amnesia
- · "Don't feel right"
- Fatigue or low energy
- Sadness.
- Nervousness or anxiety
- Irritability
- More emotional
- Confusion
- Concentration or memory problems (forgetting game plays)
- Repeating the same question/comment

Signs observed by teammates, parents and coaches include:

- Appears dazed
- Vacant facial expression
- Confused about assignment
- Forgets plays
- Is unsure of game, score, or opponent
- Moves clumsily or displays incoordination
- Answers questions slowly
- Slurred speech
- Shows behavior or personality changes
- Can't recall events prior to hit
- Can't recall events after hit
- Seizures or convulsions
- Any change in typical behavior or personality
- Loses consciousness

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