

**2023-2024**

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# **Neshoba Central Student Athletics and**



## **Activities Handbook**

**Dear Students & Parents:**

**It is my pleasure to welcome you to Rocket Athletics/Activities. Our program represents the very best in competitive sports and activities across the state of Mississippi. Neshoba Central is known for its great traditions in all areas of athletics/activities. We are making strides each day to improve the overall experience for students at Neshoba Central.**

**This Athletic/Activities Handbook has been put together specifically for the parents and students who will be competing on one or more of our Junior High or High School teams. I hope this handbook will help each of you better understand our programs, procedures and expectations for all parties. I believe that with total commitment from all parties involved, Neshoba Central will be the best in the state.**

**I would like to wish each of you good luck on the upcoming new school year. I hope you have a great year being a Rocket.**

**Sincerely,**

**Tommy Holland  
Director of Athletics  
Neshoba County Schools  
601-656-3752**

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## **Neshoba Central Athletic Statement of Philosophy**

**The purpose of the Neshoba Central Athletic program is to provide a constructive and competitive experience that will help students progress towards their educational goals. The Neshoba Central Athletic Department is aware of the individual needs as well as the social implications of being able to work as a member of a team. Student athletes will be given the opportunity through extensive training, up-dated equipment and facilities and the best coaching, to help each of them reach their maximum potential athletically, if they dedicate themselves to our program.**

**The Neshoba Central Athletic Department strives to enhance each student by promoting the following qualities: Physical Strength, Endurance, Courage, High Moral Standards, Loyalty, Good Sportsmanship and a Healthy Self Concept. We believe with all these qualities our student athletes will become some of the best competitive athletes across our state.**

**Our goal is to produce young men and women who have the capacity to be successful citizens in a highly competitive society. We must continue to strive towards this on a daily basis using all resources necessary. We want each student to be able to say, "I'm proud to be a Rocket"**

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS SET BY MHSAA

To participate in athletics a student must:

1. Live with one's parent(s) or legal guardian(s) in the Neshoba County School District or have a parent(s) or legal guardian(s) that is employed by the NCSD as a certified employee.
2. Be enrolled in 6.5 subjects in the high school or the 4 basic subjects of math, science, English and social studies in the junior high.
3. Turn in or have on file (a) copy of a certified birth certificate, (b) current school year physical, (c) NCSD Athletic/Activities Participation Clearance/ Emergency Medical Consent Form signed by a parent or guardian and (d) NCSD Extracurricular Drug and Alcohol Testing Policy Consent Form signed by parent or guardian and student athlete.
4. Complete the MHSAA Star Sportsmanship On-Line Program. 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> grade students must complete **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS** of the Star Program before their sports season ends! 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> grade students must complete the Star Program before post-season play begins!
5. 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Participation:
  - Have not been in high school more than 4 years since first entering the 9th grade.
  - Have not reached 19 years of age before August 1 of the current school year.
  - **ELIGIBILITY IS BY SEMESTERS!!!** To be eligible first semester a student must finish the previous school year with at least a 70 average and be making "satisfactory progress toward graduation". To be eligible for the second semester a student must have at least a 70 average at the end of the first semester! **ALL COURSES** THE STUDENT IS TAKING WILL BE USED IN DETERMINING THE END OF THE YEAR AND SEMESTER AVERAGES!!!
6. 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Participation:
  - **ELIGIBILITY IS BY SEMESTERS!!!** To be eligible first semester a student must pass the eighth grade with at least a 70 average. To be eligible for the second semester a student must have at least a 70 average at the end of the first semester! **ALL COURSES** THE STUDENT IS TAKING WILL BE USED IN DETERMINING THE END OF THE YEAR AND SEMESTER AVERAGES!!!
  - A 9<sup>th</sup> grader must not have reached 16 years of age prior to August 1 of current school year.

7. Junior High Participation:

- **ELIGIBILITY IS BY SEMESTERS!!!** To be eligible first semester a student must pass their previous grade level with at least a **70 average** for any four courses. **If student is not promoted, they are ineligible for the entire year.**
- To be eligible for the second semester a student must have at least a **70 average** in **4 courses** at the end of the first semester!
- Age Limits: A 7<sup>th</sup> grader must not have reached 14 years of age prior to August 1 of current school year and an 8<sup>th</sup> grader must not have reached 15 years of age prior to August 1 of current school year.
- To be eligible to participate on a high school team first semester a junior high student must pass their previous grade level with at least a **70 average** in the 4 core courses (English, math, science, and social studies). To be eligible second semester a student must have a **70 average** in the 4 core courses at the end of the first semester.
- A student cannot be transferred back to a junior high team once he or she plays on the high school varsity or "B" team in that sport.

8. A student, who is not eligible at the beginning of the school year, may become eligible the second semester by using the formulas above. **This may happen only once during the student's athletic career!!!**

## **ATHLETIC POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

Participation in athletics is a privilege, not a right. The student athlete must earn this privilege through dedication, desire, and discipline. Without the pursuit of these, the athlete can in no way do justice to himself or herself or our school. The student athlete must maintain a strong sense of discipline in order to be a good citizen and student, which will allow him/her to achieve athletic excellence. Our coaching staff believes that a tradition of winning is established and maintained upon these principles. To achieve a determined course of action for the pursuit of athletic achievement and the character training of young people, the following policies and procedures must be understood and followed by the student athlete.

1. **School & Athletic/Activity Attendance:** Student athletes are expected to be at school and in class on time each day. Academic grades must come first. Failure to attend class will result in poor grades resulting in ineligibility in athletics. The coaching staff will check grades periodically. **Excessive absenteeism may result in suspension from a contest(s) and/or removal from a team(s).**

Student athletes are required to be at school 63% of the school day before participating in an athletic event. If for some reason this requirement cannot be met, due to medical or unavoidable reasons, the student must have approval from the Principal to participate. Student athletes are expected to be at all practices.

A student athlete, who for some reason cannot make a practice, should notify a coach of that sport in advance. We do not expect our athletes to miss practice due to discipline matters!!

2. **Student Behavior:** Student athletes are expected to maintain proper standards of behavior during school, practice, contests and travel. **Our student athletes will be leaders!!!** Expected behavior includes:

- **Complying with all rules and regulations in the student handbook.**
- Using appropriate language; no cursing or use of obscene gestures
- Girls acting as young ladies and boys acting as young gentlemen; Public Display of Affection (PDA) will not be tolerated.
- Being courteous and showing respect for others. There is nothing wrong with saying, "Thank You," "Yes Sir or Ma'am," "Please," etc.
- Showing a willingness to cooperate with your team members and coaches; being a team-oriented person not an individual; coming to the realization that your team always comes first!!

3. **Personal Health:** The use of alcohol, tobacco (including Skoal) or abusive drugs of any kind will not be tolerated. These have been proven to be detrimental to mental and physical performances. Athletes desiring to smoke and/or drink are not the athletes we want competing for and representing our program.

Student athletes should also avoid an improper diet or improper rest. These two factors will greatly influence your performances.

4. **Personal Appearance:** Since our student athletes are constantly in the eyes of the public, they become a representative of the school and community and are in a position of leadership. Therefore, the student athlete's personal appearance not only reflects his or her attitudes but also the attitude of those whom they represent. Student athletes will be required to abide by the following dress code:

- Student athletes are expected to be well groomed and to dress appropriately at all times during school hours and when attending school-sponsored activities.
- Student athletes allowed to wear hats by their coach shall wear them correctly at all times. Hats are never to be worn backward or tilted at any time!

5. **Practice:** Student athletes are to report directly to their respective assigned areas at the beginning of their athletic period. Loitering in the school buildings will not be tolerated. Student athletes reporting late must have a pass.

Student athletes should not leave money or valuables in unsecure places in the dressing room during practice or at any other time. These are the student athlete's responsibility!!!

6. **Equipment and Fines:** Students are responsible for any equipment and/or uniforms issued to them during a sport's/activity season. The student will be fined for any equipment damaged or lost. All equipment shall be turned in the week following the last contest of a sport's/activity season. Any student not turning in all issued equipment and/or uniforms, or clearing fines for damaged or lost equipment, shall be subject to records or diplomas being held and **will not be allowed to move to or participate in another sport** until the issue has been cleared up.
7. **Travel:** Student athletes will travel to and from athletic contests on the team bus. Any exceptions to this rule will be made one day in advance with the coach of that sport. Student athletes may be released only to their parents/guardians after a contest.

Student athletes will dress and conduct himself or herself in a manner that will reflect favorably upon our teams at all times while traveling to and from contests.

8. **Jobs:** Student athletes will arrange jobs and any other activities so as not to conflict with practice and contests. This includes rescheduled contests. Coaches must be informed of any conflicts.

## **ATHLETIC/ACTIVITIES CONTESTS**

This is where we show what we are made of. People will judge you, our coaches, school and community by the way we play and act during a contest. All the long, hard hours of work can pay off if you are mentally ready to compete. Be mentally tough and ready to accept any challenge that arises during competition. Compete and act as a **champion!**

**Contest Appearance** – Student athletes will wear school issued uniforms and equipment only! Uniforms, wind suits, and warm-ups will be properly fitted and worn appropriately (no sagging, pants legs up or down, etc.). During competition student athletes will wear jerseys tucked in their shorts/pants unless the jersey is designed for being worn outside. Always remember when you are at a contest in a "Rocket" uniform, you are no longer an "individual," but a representative of your team, school and community. Always show Pride and Class.



## **NCS D EXTRACURRICULAR DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING POLICY**

Neshoba County School District

Policy JCDAB

### **DRUG/ALCOHOL TESTING POLICY**

In an effort to protect the health and safety of students involved in extracurricular activities from illegal and/or performance-enhancing drug use and abuse and to curtail the use of such drugs, the Board of the Neshoba County School District adopts the following policy for random drug testing of all students who participate in extracurricular activities. The Student Drug Testing Consent Form is located in the student handbook.

You may view, in detail, the policy at the High School office or view the link at:

<http://neshoba.msbapolicy.org/DistrictPolicies/ViewsAdmin/SelectedDocumentReadOnly/tabid/6517/Default.aspx?docId=72910>

## **INSURANCE**

The NCS D will not provide accident insurance, other than catastrophic through MHSAA, for student athletes.

For more information contact the Director of Athletics at 601-656-3752.

## **QUITTING A SPORT**

Any student athlete wishing to quit a sport must first meet with the director of athletics. The director of athletics or the coach of that sport will then contact the student athlete's parents or guardians. If a student athlete quits a sport at any time during the season, he or she is not eligible to participate in another sport until this process has been completed.

## **ATHLETIC LINES OF COMMUNICATION**

### **Parent/Coach Relationship**

Both parenting and coaching are extremely challenging responsibilities. By establishing and understanding each position, we are able to accept the actions of the others thus enhancing communication. As parents, you have a right to understand what expectations are placed on your child. This begins with clear communication from your coach.

### **Communication You Should Expect from the Coach**

1. Pre-season team meeting for every sport.
2. When and where practices and contests are held.
3. Changing in schedule and/or practice and game locations.
4. Expectations the coach has for your child and the team
5. Procedure if an injury occurs during participation.
6. Team requirement/rules for participation.

### **Communication Coaches Expect From Players**

As students become involved in athletics, they will experience some of the most rewarding moments of their lives. It is important to also understand at times students may experience disappointment and frustration. At these times, student-initiated discussion with the coach is recommended and encouraged.

#### **Parents/Student Should Notify the Coach Concerning**

1. Notification of any schedule conflict well in advance.
2. Any specific health concerns.

#### **Appropriate Concerns to Discuss With Coaches**

1. Any unhealthy mental and physical strain you detect in your child at home.
2. Ways you can contribute to your child's skill improvement and development.
3. Any dramatic changes you detect in your child's behavior.
4. Treatment of your child, mentally and physically.

#### **Issues Not Appropriate To Discuss With Coaches**

1. Playing Time. No discussion will take place about child's playing time, until the student athlete has met with the head coach and/or position coach about this matter.
2. Team strategy or play calling.
3. Other student athletes.

#### **Procedures To Follow If You Have A Concern To Discuss With A Coach**

Make an appointment for the parent, student athlete, and coach to meet to discuss the concern. If either participant feels the athletic director should attend, he shall. If after meeting with the athletic director the issue hasn't been resolved, a meeting may be setup with the Principal.

#### **ATHLETIC TRAINING**

Injuries are an inherent part of athletics! To help minimize the risk and to manage injuries when they occur, Neshoba County Schools are fortunate that **Rush Hospital** provides our district with certified trainers. These professionals are at numerous practices and contests. They assist in injury prevention, the recognition, evaluation, and assessments of injuries and illnesses, and the immediate care, treatment and rehabilitation of injuries. The athletic trainer is also an important link in the health care delivery system by serving as a liaison among athletes, parents, coaches, physicians, allied health professionals and administrators to facilitate healthy participation in interscholastic athletics. **Please note that due to the large scope of our athletic program an athletic trainer may not be present at all practices and contests**

#### **LETTERING POLICY**

The Neshoba Central Athletic Department requirement for an athlete to earn a Varsity Letter is: Any player that has participated for two years starting in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade will be eligible for a Varsity Letter. Letterman jackets must be purchased by the individual student athlete. Neshoba County Schools do not purchase letterman jackets. If an athlete wishes to purchase a Varsity Letterman Jacket and needs ordering information, they should contact the Director of Athletics.

## **Hazing**

The **National Federation of High Schools** defines hazing as “Any humiliating or dangerous activity expected of a student to belong to a group, regardless of their willingness to participate.” Hazing includes acts that carelessly or intentionally endanger the physical or mental health or the safety of another person for the purpose of initiation or as a condition for membership or affiliation with a school organization or promotion to a grade level.

Examples of hazing include, but are not limited to the following:

- Forced consumption of any drink, drug, or controlled substance
- Forced prolonged isolation
- Forced exposure to the elements
- Forced participation in pranks or unlawful acts
- Other forced activity
- Sleep deprivation
- Carrying physically heavy items
- Other activities that cause humiliation, physical, or mental harm

Mississippi has a strong Anti-Hazing Law that provides for punishment in the form of fines and/or imprisonment to person or persons found guilty of hazing. The Neshoba County School District has a zero tolerance policy toward hazing. Student athletes are not to participate in any form of hazing activities. Student athletes should report any acts of hazing to a coach, a principal, or the director of athletics.

## **COLLEGIATE ELIGIBILITY & THE NCAA ELIGIBILITY CENTER**

To participate as a freshman at a National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division I or Division II college or university, a student athlete must fulfill the academic requirements of the NCAA. **The NCAA Eligibility Center must certify these requirements.** Any senior student athlete that intends to participate in Division I or II athletics, as a freshman must register and be certified by the NCAA Eligibility Center. Student athletes should register with the NCAA Eligibility Center before or early in their senior year. Application and registration process are available online at [www.ncaa.org/eligibilitycenter.net](http://www.ncaa.org/eligibilitycenter.net) or may be obtained in the counselor’s office or athletic department.

In order to be certified by the NCAA Eligibility Center and be eligible in a Division I or Division II college for the 2023-24 school year, the student athlete must:

1. Graduate from high school.
2. Earn a grade-point average of at least 2.000 (based on a maximum 4.000 scale) in a core curriculum of at least **16** academic courses that were successfully completed during **grades 9 through 12**. Only courses that satisfy the NCAA definition of a core course can be used to calculate the student-athlete NCAA grade-point average. "Eighth-grade courses may not be used to satisfy core-curriculum requirements! No special values are allowed for "plus"(+) or "minus" (-) grades. Core courses must include a minimum of:

**Division I**   **Division II**

4 Years	3 Years	English Core
3 Years	2 Years	Mathematics Core (Algebra I or Higher)
2 Years	2 Years	Natural or Physical Science Core*
2 Years	2 Years	Social Science Core
1 Year	3 Years	Additional English, Math or Science Core
4 Years	4 Years	Additional Core (English, Math, Science, Social Science, Foreign Language, Philosophy, Non-Doctrinal Religion)

\*Must include at least one full year of a laboratory science.

A list of approved core courses (academic requirements) for Neshoba Central High School is available in the counselor's office.

3. **Division I**: The minimum grade-point average in the **16** core courses and required ACT (sum of scores on the four individual tests) or SAT score vary according to the Initial-Eligibility Index. The sliding scale can be viewed at [www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org).
- Division II**: There is no sliding scale! Must achieve a 68 (sum of scores on the four individual tests) on the ACT or an 820 on the SAT. Note: The highest scores achieved on the verbal and mathematics section of the SAT or the highest scores achieved on the four individualized tests of the ACT may be combined to achieve the highest scores.
4. Any student/athlete planning to attend a Division I or II college or university will be required to follow different eligibility requirements that can be viewed on the following web site ([www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org)).
5. Anyone having questions concerning eligibility requirements may contact the Director of Athletics or High School Counselor's office.

## HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS OFFERED

<u>Sport</u>	<u>Boys</u>	<u>Girls</u>	<u>Season</u>
Cross Country – Varsity / JV	x	x	Fall
Football – Varsity / JV	x		Fall
Volleyball – Varsity / JV		x	Fall
Basketball – Varsity /JV	x	x	Winter
Bowling	x	x	Winter
Power Lifting	x	x	Winter
Soccer – Varsity / JV	x	x	Winter
Archery – Varsity	x	x	Winter/Spring
Baseball – Varsity /JV	x		Spring
Golf	x	x	Spring
Fast Pitch Softball – Varsity / JV		x	Spring
Tennis – Varsity / JV	x	x	Spring
Track & Field – Varsity	x	x	Spring

## JUNIOR HIGH SPORTS OFFERED

<u>Sport</u>	<u>Boys</u>	<u>Girls</u>	<u>Season</u>
Football – 8 <sup>th</sup> / 7 <sup>th</sup>	x		Fall
Volleyball - 8th/7 <sup>th</sup>		x	Fall
Basketball – 8 <sup>th</sup> / 7 <sup>th</sup>	x	x	Winter
Baseball – 8 <sup>th</sup> / 7 <sup>th</sup>	x		Spring
Softball – 8 <sup>th</sup> / 7 <sup>th</sup>		x	Spring

## ACTIVITIES OFFERED

Band	6-12 grades
Cheerleading	7-12 grades
Chorus	7-12 grades
Dance	9-12 grades

## STUDENT PARTICIPATION CLEARANCE FORM

I hereby give consent for my child, \_\_\_\_\_, to participate in the Neshoba County School District's athletic and activities programs during the 2023/2024 school year.

I hereby authorize and give permission for emergency medical treatment to be rendered for and on behalf of my child, \_\_\_\_\_, for any injury received while participating in any supervised school activity. This authorization includes, but is not limited to, any treatment deemed necessary by certified personnel, physicians, hospital emergency room physicians and hospitals.

I hereby release the Neshoba County School District and all school personnel for any and all liability associated with such necessary treatment.

I hereby acknowledge that health and accident insurance is recommended for participation in all organized sports and activities and further certify that my child is covered under the health and accident program listed below.

Personal/School day insurance \_\_\_\_\_  
Policy # \_\_\_\_\_

Other insurance \_\_\_\_\_

Policy # \_\_\_\_\_

Name of agent \_\_\_\_\_

The Neshoba County School District does not pay any expense incurred for any accident involving a student on school property or participating in school activities and does not provide health or accident insurance for participants in school programs.

In addition, I assume any expenses for liability not covered by the above required insurance policy for injury received by the above named student while participating in sports and school activities. I accept full responsibility for medical and hospital expenses and any other related expenses and do hereby hold harmless the Neshoba County School District and the Board of Trustees, their agents or assignees, of responsibility for any such injury or expenses and waive any and all claims which may arise against them. I realize that participation in organized sports and activities involves the potential for injury, sometimes severe enough to result in total disability, paralysis, or death.

I give the Mississippi High School Activities Association and its assigns, licensees and legal representatives the irrevocable right to use any picture or image or sound recording of the student in all forms and media and in all manners, for any lawful purposes. In addition, I consent to the disclosure, by my child's/ward's school, to the MHSAA, upon its request, of all records relevant to his/her eligibility and participation including, but not limited to, his/her records relating to enrollment and attendance, academic standing, age, discipline, residence and physical fitness.

Parent/ Legal Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Cell # \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ (valid 365 days from this date)

MISSISSIPPI HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION, INC.

**Concussion Information Form**

*(Required by MHSAA Annually)*

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 cannot 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                       | Amnesia   |
| • “Pressure in head”              | “Don’t feel right”  |
| • Nausea or vomiting              | Fatigue or low energy                                       |
| • Neck pain                       | Sadness   |
| • Balance problems or dizziness   | Nervousness or anxiety                                      |
| • Blurred, double or fuzzy vision | Irritability  |
| • Sensitivity to light or noise   | More emotional  |
| • Feeling sluggish or slowed down | Confusion   |
| • Feeling foggy or groggy         | Concentration or memory problems<br>(forgetting game plays) |
| • Drowsiness                      | Repeating the same question/comment                         |
| • Change in sleep patterns        |   |

**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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### **What can happen if my child keeps on playing with a concussion or returns too 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 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 athletes will often fail to report symptoms of injuries. Concussions are no different. As a result, education of administrators, coaches, parents and students is key to a student-athlete's safety.

### **MHSAA Concussion Policy:**

- An athlete who reports or displays any symptoms or signs of a concussion in a practice or game setting should be removed immediately from the practice or game. The athlete should not be allowed to return to the practice or game for the remainder of the day regardless of whether the athlete appears or states that he/she is normal.
- The athlete should be evaluated by a licensed, qualified medical professional working within their scope of practice as soon as can be practically arranged.
- If an athlete has sustained a concussion, the athlete should be referred to a licensed physician preferably one with experience in managing sports concussion injuries.
- The athlete who has been diagnosed with a concussion should be returned to play only after full recovery and clearance by a physician. Recovery from a concussion, regardless of loss on consciousness, usually take 7-14 days after resolution of all symptoms.
- Return to play after a concussion should be gradual and follow a progressive return to competition. An athlete should not return to a competitive game before demonstrating that he/she has no symptoms in a full supervised practice.
- Athletes should not continue to practice or return to play while still having symptoms of a concussion. Sustaining an impact to the head while recovering from a concussion may cause Second Impact Syndrome, a catastrophic neurological brain injury.

Remember, it is better to miss one game than to miss the whole season.

**I have reviewed this information on concussions and am aware that a release by a medical doctor is required before a student may return to play under this policy.**

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Student-Athlete Name Printed

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Student-Athlete Signature

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Date

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Parent Name Printed

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Parent Signature

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Date



**ATHLECTIC/ACTIVITY STUDENT CONSENT  
NCSD STUDENT DRUG TESTING PROGRAM EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

As an athletic/activity student, I participate in the activities that are included in this policy. I understand that I will be subject to random selection for drug and alcohol testing. I have received a copy of the Neshoba County School District Student Drug Testing Extracurricular Policy. I have had the opportunity to read and understand the policy, and I agree to comply with the rules and regulations of the program. I hereby consent to random testing throughout the current school year as outlined in the policy. I authorize the confidential release of testing results to the Neshoba County School District Athletic Director, and to my parent or guardian as provided in the policy.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed name of student

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student ID Number/Grade

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of student

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**CONSENT AND ENDORSEMENT OF PARENT/GUARDIAN**

I, the parent/guardian of the above student, join in the above request and consent. I have received, read and understand the Neshoba County School District Student Drug Testing Program Extracurricular Activities Policy and that I consent to the testing of my student as provided in the policy.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed name of parent or legal guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of parent or legal guardian

**Both student and parent must sign and return this consent form to the Athletic Director.**

**REFUSAL TO BE DRUG TESTED**  
**NCSD STUDENT DRUG TESTING PROGRAM EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

After being randomly selected to be tested in the Neshoba County School District Student Drug Testing Program Extracurricular Activities and with parental consent, I **refuse** to be tested. I realize by refusing to be tested I will be **ineligible** to participate in **any** extracurricular activities for the **remainder** of the **current school year**.

Reason for refusal:

\_\_\_\_\_ No longer involved in any extracurricular activities

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed name of student

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of parent or legal guardian

Grade: 7<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup>

+++++  
For Office Use only

Parent Contacted:            Y            N            Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed/Typed Name of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Comment:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**To be removed from the testing pool both the student and parent/guardian must provide written notification to the Athletic Director.**

We the parents or guardian of

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Grade

Did receive a copy of the 2023-2024 Student Athletics/Activities Handbook of Neshoba Central High/Middle School. We agree to familiarize ourselves with the information contained in this handbook which was adopted by the Neshoba County School Board as part of the official school policy for the 2023-2024 school year.

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Parents/Guardian

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Date

**Please detach ALL forms (pages 11-16) and upload to Dragonfly or return to coach by August 15, 2023. Page 15 should not be returned unless refusal is requested.**