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TO: Chief School Administrators/Charter School Lead Persons

FROM: Susan Martz, Director  
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SUBJECT: Athletic Pre-Participation Physical Examination Form

The Office of Educational Support Services (OESS) has completed revisions to the Athletic Pre-Participation Physical Examination Form (APPE). The APPE Form was updated in collaboration with a variety of constituent groups to address current practice in the medical field related to the health of student athletes in areas such as heart health and concussions.

As you know, this form is required of all athletes participating on a school-sponsored interscholastic or intramural athletic team or squad in grades six to 12 and must be completed prior to a student's participation on the team or squad as per N.J.A.C. 6A:16 *Programs to Support Student Development*. The revised Athletic Pre-Participation Physical Examination Form (Parts A and B) should be used for the sole purpose of reporting the physical examination results for students who will participate on a school athletic team or squad and replaces all existing forms originally created for that purpose. Completion of this form is not required for students who have already received an athletic pre-participation examination. The use of the form goes into effect for physical examinations performed after January 1, 2008.

Please remind your school physician and certified school nurse that the Athletic Pre-Participation Physical Examination Form should be retained with the A-45 Form and other medical documentation in the student's health record and should be treated with the same level of confidentiality.

Additional questions regarding the Athletic Pre-Participation Physical Examination Form, should be directed to LaCoyya Weathington, coordinator, School Health and Social Services, Office of Program Support Services at [doenurse@doe.state.nj.us](mailto:doenurse@doe.state.nj.us) or at (609) 292-5935.

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# New Jersey Department of Education ANNUAL ATHLETIC PRE-PARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EXAMINATION FORM

**Part A: HEALTH HISTORY QUESTIONNAIRE**-Completed by the parent and student and reviewed by examining provider  
**Part B: PHYSICAL EVALUATION FORM**-Completed by examining licensed provider with MD, DO, APN or PA

## Part A: HEALTH HISTORY QUESTIONNAIRE

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Last Sports Physical: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: M F (circle one) Age: \_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_  
 Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sport(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Provider Name (Medical Home): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

### EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Name of parent/guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to student: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone (work): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (home): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (cell): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Additional emergency contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to student: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone (work): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (home): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (cell): \_\_\_\_\_

**Directions:** Please answer the following questions about the student's medical history by **CIRCLING** the correct response. Explain all "yes" responses on the lines below the questions. Please respond to all questions.

**1. Have you ever had, or do you currently have:**

- a. Restriction from sports for a health related problem? Y / N / Don't Know
- b. An injury or illness since your last exam? Y / N / Don't Know
- c. A chronic or ongoing illness (such as diabetes or asthma)? Y / N / Don't Know
  - (1.) An inhaler or other prescription medicine to control asthma? Y / N / Don't Know
- d. Any prescribed or over the counter medications that you take on a regular basis? Y / N / Don't Know
- e. Surgery, hospitalization or any emergency room visit(s)? Y / N / Don't Know
- f. Any **allergies** to medications? **Y / N / Don't Know**
- g. Any allergies to bee stings, pollen, latex or foods? Y / N / Don't Know
  - (1.) If yes, check type of reaction:
    - Rash  Hives  Breathing or other anaphylactic reaction
    - (2.) Take any medication/Epipen taken for allergy symptoms? (List below.) Y / N / Don't Know
- h. Any anemias, blood disorders, sickle cell disease/trait, bleeding tendencies or clotting disorders? Y / N / Don't Know
- i. A blood relative who died before age 50? Y / N / Don't Know

Explain all "yes" answers here (include relevant dates):

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**List all medications here:**

Medication Name	Dosage	Frequency

2. **Have you ever had, or do you currently have, any of the following *head-related* conditions:**

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| a. Concussion or head injury (including "bell rung" or a "ding")? | Y / N / Don't Know |
| b. Memory loss?   | Y / N / Don't Know |
| c. Knocked out?   | Y / N / Don't Know |
| c. A seizure?   | Y / N / Don't Know |
| d. Frequent or severe headaches (With or without exercise)?       | Y / N / Don't Know |
| e. Fuzzy or blurry vision   | Y / N / Don't Know |
| f. Sensitivity to light/noise                                     | Y / N / Don't Know |

Explain all "yes" answers here (include relevant dates):

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3. **Have you ever had, or do you currently have, any of the following *heart-related* conditions:**

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| a. Restriction from sports for heart problems?   | Y / N / Don't Know |
| b. Chest pain or discomfort?   | Y / N / Don't Know |
| c. Heart murmur?   | Y / N / Don't Know |
| d. High blood pressure?  | Y / N / Don't Know |
| e. Elevated cholesterol level?   | Y / N / Don't Know |
| f. Heart infection?  | Y / N / Don't Know |
| g. Dizziness or passing out during or after exercise without known cause?                        | Y / N / Don't Know |
| h. Has a provider ever ordered a heart test ( EKG, echocardiogram, stress test, Holter monitor)? | Y / N / Don't Know |
| i. Racing or skipped heartbeats?   | Y / N / Don't Know |
| j. Unexplained difficulty breathing or fatigue during exercise?                                  | Y / N / Don't Know |
| k. Any family member (blood relative):   |                    |
| (1.) Under age 50 with a heart condition?  | Y / N / Don't Know |
| (2.) With Marfan Syndrome?   | Y / N / Don't Know |
| (3.) Died of a heart problem before age 50? If yes, at what age? _____                           | Y / N / Don't Know |
| (4.) Died with no known reason?  | Y / N / Don't Know |
| (5.) Died while exercising? If yes, was it during or after? (Circle one.)                        | Y / N / Don't Know |

Explain all "yes" answers here (include relevant dates):

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4. **Have you ever had, or do you currently have, any of the following *eye, ear, nose, mouth or throat* conditions:**

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| a. Vision problems?   | Y / N / Don't Know |
| (1.) Wear contacts, eyeglasses or protective eye wear? (Circle which type.) | Y / N / Don't Know |
| b. Hearing loss or problems?  | Y / N / Don't Know |
| (1.) Wear hearing aides or implants?  | Y / N / Don't Know |
| c. Nasal fractures or frequent nose bleeds?                                 | Y / N / Don't Know |
| d. Wear braces, retainer or protective mouth gear?                          | Y / N / Don't Know |
| e. Frequent strep or any other conditions of the throat (e.g. tonsillitis)? | Y / N / Don't Know |

Explain all "yes" answers here (include relevant dates):

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5. **Have you ever had, or do you currently have, any of the following *neuromuscular/orthopedic* conditions:**

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| a. Numbness, a "burner", "stinger" or pinched nerve?      | Y / N / Don't Know |
| b. A sprain?  | Y / N / Don't Know |
| c. A strain?  | Y / N / Don't Know |
| d. Swelling or pain in muscles, tendons, bones or joints? | Y / N / Don't Know |
| e. Dislocated joint(s)?                                   | Y / N / Don't Know |
| f. Upper or lower back pain?                              | Y / N / Don't Know |
| g. Fracture(s), stress fracture(s), or broken bone(s)?    | Y / N / Don't Know |
| h. Do you wear any protective braces or equipment?        | Y / N / Don't Know |

Explain all (yes) answers here (include relevant dates):

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6. Have you ever had or do you currently have any of the following *general or exercise related conditions*:

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| a. Difficulty breathing?  |                    |
| (1.) During exercise?   | Y / N / Don't Know |
| (2.) After running one mile?  | Y / N / Don't Know |
| (3.) Coughing, wheezing or shortness of breath in weather changes?              | Y / N / Don't Know |
| (4.) Exercise-induced asthma?   | Y / N / Don't Know |
| i. Controlled with medication? (specify _____)                                  | Y / N / Don't Know |
| ii. Experience dizziness, passing out or fainting?                              | Y / N / Don't Know |
| b. Viral infections (e.g. mono, hepatitis, coxsackie virus)?                    | Y / N / Don't Know |
| c. Become tired more quickly than others?                                       | Y / N / Don't Know |
| d. Any of the following skin conditions:  |                    |
| (1.) Cold sores/herpes, impetigo, MRSA, ringworm, warts?                        | Y / N / Don't Know |
| (2.) Sun sensitivity?   | Y / N / Don't Know |
| e. Weight gain/loss (of 10 pounds or more)?                                     | Y / N / Don't Know |
| (1.) Do you want to weigh more or less than you do now?                         | Y / N / Don't Know |
| f. Ever had feelings of depression?   | Y / N / Don't Know |
| g. Heat-related problems (dehydration, dizziness, fatigue, headache)?           | Y / N / Don't Know |
| (1.) Heat exhaustion (cool, clammy, damp skin)?                                 | Y / N / Don't Know |
| (2.) Heat stroke (hot, red, dry skin)?  | Y / N / Don't Know |
| (3.) Muscle cramps?   | Y / N / Don't Know |
| h. Absence or loss of an organ (e.g. kidney, eyeball, spleen, testicle, ovary)? | Y / N / Don't Know |

Explain all "yes" answers here (include relevant dates):

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7. **Females only:**

Age of onset of menstruation: \_\_\_\_\_ How many menstrual periods in the last twelve (12) months? \_\_\_\_\_

How many periods missed in the last twelve (12) months? \_\_\_\_\_

8. **Males only:**

Have you had any swelling or pain in your testicles or groin? Y / N / Don't Know

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

I certify that the information provided herein is accurate to the best of my knowledge as of the date of my signature.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature, Parent/Guardian or Student Age 18

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Signature:

**THIS COMPLETED AND SIGNED HEALTH HISTORY MUST BE REVIEWED BY THE EXAMINING PROVIDER AT THE TIME OF THE MEDICAL EXAM.**

# ANNUAL ATHLETIC PRE-PARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION FORM

## Part B: Physical Evaluation Form

(Completed by the examining licensed provider MD, DO, APN or PA)

### -STUDENT INFORMATION-

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Sport(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sex: M F (circle one) Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 School: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent/Guardian's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### - EXAMINING PHYSICIAN/PROVIDER CONTACT INFORMATION-

If conducted by school physician check here

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

### - FINDINGS OF PHYSICAL EVALUATION -

Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Blood Pressure: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Pulse: \_\_\_\_\_ bpm.  
 Vision: R 20/\_\_\_\_ L 20/\_\_\_\_ Corrected: Y / N Contacts: Y / N Glasses: Y / N

INDICATORS	NORMAL?	ABNORMAL FINDINGS/COMMENTS
General Appearance	YES	
Head/Neck	YES	
Eyes/Sclera/Pupils	YES	
Ears	YES	
Gross Hearing	YES	
Nose/Mouth/Throat	YES	
Lymph Glands	YES	
Cardiovascular	YES	
Heart Rate	YES	
Rhythm	YES	
Murmur	ABSENT	
If murmur present		Standing makes it: Louder Softer No Change
		Squatting makes it: Louder Softer No Change
		Valsalva makes it: Louder Softer No Change
Femoral Pulses	YES	
Lungs: Auscultation/Percussion	YES	
Chest Contour	YES	
Skin	YES	
Abdomen (liver, spleen, masses)	YES	
Assessment of physical maturation or Tanner Scale	YES	
Testicular Exam (Males Only)	YES	
Neck/Back/Spine:	YES	
Range of Motion	YES	
Scoliosis	ABSENT	
Upper Extremities: (ROM, Strength, Stability)	YES	
Lower Extremities: (ROM, Strength, Stability)	YES	
Neurological: Balance & Coordination	YES	
Hernia	ABSENT	
Evidence of Marfan Syndrome	ABSENT	

Most recent immunizations and dates administered:

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Medications currently prescribed, with dose and frequency:

Medication Name	Dosage	Frequency

Additional observations:

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General Diagnosis:

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General Recommendations:

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**THE HISTORY PREPARED BY THE PARENT/STUDENT MUST BE REVIEWED BY THE EXAMINING PROVIDER AT THE TIME OF THE PHYSICAL EXAMINATION.**



## NOTES TO THE EXAMINING PROVIDER

Conditions requiring clearance before sports participation include, but are not limited to the following:

Anaphylaxis; Atlantoaxial instability; Bleeding disorder; Hypertension; Congenital heart disease; Dysrhythmia; Mitral valve prolapse; Heart murmur; Cerebral palsy; Diabetes mellitus; Eating disorders; Heat illness history; One-kidney athletes; Hepatomegaly, Splenomegaly; Malignancy; Seizure Disorder; Marfan Syndrome; History of repeated concussion; Organ transplant recipient; Cystic fibrosis; Sickle cell disease; and/or One-eyed athletes or athletes with vision greater than 20/40 in one eye.

SAMPLES OF CLASSIFICATION OF SPORTS BY CONTACT			
Contact/Collision	Limited Contact	Non-Contact	
		Strenuous	Non-strenuous
Basketball	Baseball	Discus	Bowling
Diving	Cheerleading	Javelin	Golf
Field Hockey	Fencing	Shot put	
Football	High Jump	Rowing	
Ice Hockey	Pole vault	Running/Cross Country	
Lacrosse	Gymnastics	Strength Training	
Soccer	Skiing	Swimming	
Wrestling	Softball	Tennis	
	Volleyball	Track	

N.J.A.C. 6A:16-2.2 requires the school physician to provide written notification to the parent/legal guardian stating approval or disapproval of the student's participation in athletics based on this physical evaluation. This evaluation and the notification letter become part of the student's school health record.

### Effects of physiologic maneuvers on heart sounds:

Standing	Increases murmur of HCM Decreases murmur of AS, MR MVP click occurs earlier in systole
Squatting	Increases murmur of AS, MR, AI Decreases murmur of MCH MVP click delayed
Valsalva	Increases murmur of HCM Decreases murmur of AS, MR MVP click occurs earlier in systole

### Physical Stigmata of Marfan's Syndrome

Kyphosis  
High arched palate  
Pectus excavatum  
Arachnodactyly  
Arm span > height 1.05:1 or greater  
Mitral Valve Prolapse  
Aortic Insufficiency  
Myopia  
Lenticular dislocation

HCM = Hypertrophic Cardio Myopathy

AS = Aortic Stenosis

AI = Aortic Insufficiency

MR = Mitral Regurgitation

MVP = Mitral Valve Prolapse

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**COACH'S AUTHORIZATION**

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

*Authorization from parent/guardian to the coach:*

I/We, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ (print names of parent(s)) authorize the coach of the \_\_\_\_\_ team to act on my behalf in seeing proper medical attention is given to my daughter/son in the event any injury is sustained during the school sponsored activity. I hereby direct the physician or hospital in charge to recognize the signature affixed as the bona fide authorization of the family.

Mother's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Family Physician \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance Carrier \_\_\_\_\_

Received by Coach

Print name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*Parents, Please complete the emergency card (the yellow card), keeping in mind the times of practices and games. These MUST be in the possession of the coach prior to practice or try-outs if necessary. Thank you!*

**EMERGENCY CARD**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **SPORT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**AGE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **GRADE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**FIRST CONTACT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SECOND CONTACT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**LIST ALEGERIES:** \_\_\_\_\_

**IS AN INHALER REQUIRED: YES** \_\_\_\_\_ **NO** \_\_\_\_\_

**COMMENTS** \_\_\_\_\_