

NANUET PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Parent / Guardian:

Your child has indicated a desire to participate in our athletic program at Nanuet. Please take a few minutes to read and review the twelve areas listed below before you sign the athletic consent form.

1. Athletes are expected to work up to their capacity in the classroom at all times. Your youngster is first and foremost a student, and then an athlete. The Nanuet Public Schools take great pride in their academic and athletic programs with the idea of producing good scholar-athletes. Our students must work very hard in the classroom to enhance their reputation as student-athletes. Should your child experience difficulty in any of his or her subject areas, please contact the athletic office immediately to discuss this important matter.
2. Every student must have the following forms on file with the nurse:
 - Physical
 - Update
 - Consent Form
 - Emergency Card

In addition to the pre-season physical given by the school physician, any student whose safe participation is in question as a result of the health history questionnaire, injury, or absences due to illness or injury, must be requalified by the school physician prior to participation. All of the above information is vital in case of an emergency. These forms may be picked up at the athletic office or from the nurse. All forms must be returned to the nurse.

****Injuries or accidents must be reported to the nurse by the student and the coach within 48 hours. Failure to report accidents may result in loss of coverage by the insurance carrier.***

3. Training and conditioning are beneficial aspects of our athletic program. Athletes should strive to maintain their body and athletic skills throughout the season.
4. There may be some practices and/or games on Saturdays, holidays, and other school vacations. The student-athlete must attend all practice sessions and athletic contests. Athletes who miss a practice or game must have prior approval from the coach. Unauthorized absence from practice or a game may result in sitting a game or suspension from the team.
5. The student is expected to demonstrate good conduct at all times in or out of school. Conduct "unbecoming an athlete" (acts of stealing, willfully damaging facilities or properties of the school or community, etc.) will result in appropriate disciplinary action by the coach, Director of Athletics, Assistant Principal, or Principal (parents will be notified of such behavior). Any in-school or out-of-school suspensions will result in suspension from all school-related activities

including practices and contests. Our student-athletes are expected to demonstrate good conduct during all athletic contests. Individual players who commit willful or serious violations of their responsibilities as participants shall, after due process, be subject to the following penalties:

1. Removal from a contest: Game officials and coaches will enforce all rules as they pertain to player conduct. Players committing acts serious enough for ejection from a contest must be ejected. A two-game suspension may result from a game ejection.
2. Removal from a subsequent contest: Players ejected from any contest for instigating a fight or other violent conduct, or for physically or verbally assaulting an official, may not participate in the next two contests. A second violation of this type may result in a much greater penalty.

6. The following violation of training rules will result in disciplinary action:

- Use or possession of alcohol, tobacco products, or illegal drugs, including steroids.

Any athlete, who after proper investigation is found to have been in possession of, used, or consumed tobacco products, alcohol, or illegal drugs, including steroids, in the public sector (school and community) will have violated our training rules and the result will be:

1. First offense - suspension from the next two (2) athletic contests. The athlete must continue to attend all practice sessions and contests.
2. Second offense - suspension from the team for the remainder of that sports season. If this violation occurs in the final three (3) weeks of the season, the athlete will be suspended for the first three (3) weeks of their next sports season. Parents will be notified of such violations.

7. Your child is asking to participate for the complete sports season. It must be understood that not every athlete is a starter. All teams need a full team for practices, contests, and the development of future starters. Make sure your child completes the entire season.
8. Transportation to away contests: All athletes must travel to and from school in buses provided by the Nanuet School District. In special cases, a parent may request (in advance) to provide transportation for their child only. In such cases, the request must be made in writing (in advance) to the Director of Athletics.
9. Athletic equipment becomes more costly each year. Our athletes are equipped with the best we can obtain within our budget. No one should have any equipment at home after the season has ended. Your child is financially responsible for all equipment issued to him or her. All athletes must sign for the equipment and uniforms given to them and sign again upon returning the equipment and uniforms to their coach. Should he or she fail to return any item issued, it must be paid for, and by your signature, you are guaranteeing that the equipment will be returned or the Nanuet School District will be reimbursed by you for its replacement value. Failure to comply will result in your child not being allowed to begin his or her next sports season.
10. It must be realized that participation in all sports, contact and non-contact, involves a certain amount of risk of injury or even death. Please talk these risks over with your child.
11. Please make sure that all information is correct and that you sign both the form and an emergency card in the appropriate places.
12. Students at the middle school are required to leave all valuable objects at home. All students have been instructed not to bring them to school. This includes all audio and video

equipment, expensive cameras, expensive jewelry, CD's, audio and videotapes, video games, large amounts of money, etc. This is especially important for athletes since the rules that govern interscholastic games prohibit athletes from wearing jewelry. In addition, athletes must often leave valuables in other locations when attending practices or games. Middle school coaches will not be responsible for holding valuables either on their person, in first aid kits, or in other containers. Parents and students should be aware that even in situations where the student could be considered to be not at fault in the loss of a valuable, there are still no school monies set aside for the replacement of such objects nor does the district carry insurance for this purpose. It should also be understood that the school administration will not spend inordinate amounts of time looking for lost or stolen valuables. Students who insist on bringing valuable objects to school do so at their own risk with no obligation on the part of the coaches or administration.

Read and complete the attached form and return the form and an emergency card to the nurse immediately. Please keep this correspondence for future reference.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Frank Mazzuca".

Frank Mazzuca
Director of Athletics

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

TEAMWORK

It is the nature of our society to work as a team, which requires discipline, respect for authority, hard work and sacrifice, and to place the team and its objectives higher than personal accomplishment.

IMPROVEMENT

It is important to establish a realistic goal and continually strive to reach it, at which time it should be set even higher.

SPORTSMANSHIP

It is important that we treat others as we would have them treat us.

ENJOYMENT

We should always strive to do better ourselves, yet we should enjoy the opportunity to just be involved.

CONDUCT OF AN ATHLETE

As an athlete in Nanuet, you are looked upon in somewhat of a different light than the average student, so it is important that your behavior is above reproach in all of the following areas:

ON THE FIELD

A class athlete does not use profanity or unfair or illegal tactics, understands that losing is as much a part of the game as winning, and that the athlete is able to handle both with a degree of dignity.

IN THE CLASSROOM

A good athlete is also a good student. This does not necessarily mean top of the class, but rather that attendance is good, participation is acceptable, and work is always up-to-date. If a student is lazy or inattentive about his or her school work, there is a tendency for that student to perform the same in athletics.

ON AND OFF SCHOOL GROUNDS

The way you act in the public eye is very important. Remember when wearing the Nanuet uniform, you represent the Nanuet School District and the Nanuet community. Athletes should be leaders, and fellow students will respect and follow them.

GROOMING AND DRESS

A member of an athletic team is expected to be neatly dressed and well groomed. Appearance, expression, and actions always influence peoples' opinions of athletes, the team, and the school. Once you have chosen to be a member of a team, you have also made a choice to uphold certain standards expected of athletes in the community.



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ATHLETIC CONSENT FORM

STUDENT'S NAME: _____

SPORT: _____ GRADE: _____

I have received and read the preceding correspondence that is considered part of the Athletic Consent Form for the Nanuet Public Schools.

I understand that my child is responsible for all equipment and uniforms issued, and if any of the issued equipment or uniform is not returned, I will reimburse the Nanuet School District at its replacement value. I also understand that my child will not be issued another uniform until he or she meets this responsibility.

I agree to the terms of this form and will support the Athletic Department in assuring that my son or daughter adheres to the training rules.

Both this form and the completed medical update form, along with the medical emergency card, must be returned to the nurse's office before my child may begin participation in the sport of his or her choice.

SIGNATURE OF PARENT: _____

DATE: _____

SIGNATURE OF STUDENT-ATHLETE: _____

DATE: _____

STUDENT'S NAME: _____ SPORT: _____

SCHOOL: _____ GRADE: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____

ADDRESS: _____ TOWN: _____ ZIP: _____

HOME PHONE #: _____ CELL PHONE #: _____

WORK PHONE #: _____

My participation in interscholastic athletics in the above sport is entirely voluntary on my part and is made with the understanding that I have not violated any of the eligibility rules or regulations of the New York State Public High School Athletic Association.

SIGNATURE OF ATHLETE: _____ DATE: _____

To provide every possible safeguard for the health and safety of our students, we must have a health update at the start of each sport season (within 30 days). The following information is to be completed by the parent or guardian.

Is the above student under a physician's care? Yes No

Does he/she take any medication? Yes No

Has he/she had an injury requiring medical attention within the past year? Yes No

Since his/her last sports' physical, has he/she had any illness or injury requiring hospitalization or medical treatment? Yes No

Please explain any "Yes" answers _____

Furthermore, I understand that there is a potential for accident or injury (maybe permanent) that is involved in the interscholastic athletic sport listed above in which my child has my permission to participate.

I know of no health problems that should prohibit my child, _____, from participating in and maintaining himself or herself in sports.

If for any reason he or she should not participate, I shall notify the school office and/or the Director of Athletics immediately.

I hereby give my consent for the above student to have the privilege of participating in NYSPHSAA approved athletic activities as a representative of the Nanuet Public Schools, and I also give my consent for the above student to accompany the team on its out-of-town trips.

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN DATE: _____

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EMERGENCY INFORMATION

SPORT _____

PLEASE PRINT

FILL OUT BOTH COPIES TO RETURN TO THE NURSE

NAME _____ BIRTHDATE _____ AGE _____

PARENT'S (GUARDIAN) NAME _____ GRADE _____

ADDRESS _____

HOME PHONE: FATHER _____ MOTHER _____

CELL PHONE: FATHER _____ MOTHER _____

IN AN EMERGENCY, IF PARENTS CANNOT BE CONTACTED:

NOTIFY _____ AT (PHONE #) _____

FAMILY DOCTOR _____ DOCTOR'S PHONE _____

PREFERRED HOSPITAL _____ KNOWN ALLERGIES _____

EXISTING MEDICAL CONDITIONS _____

EYEGASSES _____ CONTACT LENSES _____ MEDICATIONS _____

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Parent Signature _____

Date _____

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