South Dakota High School Activities Association



Pre-Participation Form Packet

2025-26 School Year

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Within this packet, you will find the following forms and information to be distributed to participants in SDHSAA Activities for the 2024-25 School Year in accord with local and SDHSAA Policy:

- SDHSAA Pre-Participation Exam Bylaw information (information only)
- SDHSAA PARENTAL CONSENT & PERMIT FORM to be completed EVERY year, regardless of whether or not the athlete is having a physical exam.
- SDHSAA CONSENT FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT FORM to be completed EVERY year, regardless of whether or not the athlete is having a physical exam.
- SDHSAA CONTENT FOR RELEASE OF MEDICAL INFORMATION (HIPAA)
 FORM to be completed every year, regardless of whether or not the
 athlete is having a physical exam.
- SDHSAA CONCUSSION FACT SHEETS to be completed EVERY year, regardless of whether or not the athlete is having a physical exam. Return to the school.
- SDHSAA INTERIM PRE PARTICIAPTION FORM to be completed only in years when a physical exam is not being given (biennial/triennial).
- SDHSAA HEALTH HISTORY FORM to be completed only in years when an actual physical exam is being given (annual/biennial/triennial).
- SDHSAA PREPARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EXAM FORM to be completed as the record of the physical examination, when prescribed.

2025-26 SDHSAA PARTICIPATION FORM GUIDELINES

By SDHSAA Bylaws, the following applicable responsibilities exist for the respective parties:

School Boards/Districts:

- 1. Each School Board and/or governing body shall determine the frequency of physical examinations. Per the SDHSAA and the American Academy of Pediatrics, et. al. ©, 2019, Physical Examinations of High School athletes should be completed at a minimum of once every three years.
- 2. All student health information must be handled and stored according to HIPAA and FERPA regulations.

Member Schools Athletic/Activities Departments:

- 1. Each member school shall provide copies of blank forms as sufficient so that all students may complete them prior to participation.
- 2. Member schools must keep on file each of the forms as listed on the previous page.
- 3. Member schools may allow physical exams to be completed after April 1 of the previous school year to apply to the ensuing school year.
- 4. All student health information must be handled and stored according to HIPAA and FERPA regulations.

Medical Professionals:

- 1. The certification of forms requiring a medical professional are specific to those individuals who are a Doctor of Medicine, Doctor of Osteopathy, Doctor of Chiropractic, Physician Assistants or Nurse Practitioners (South Dakota Codified Law). Stamping the name of a clinic or association is not acceptable all forms must be signed by authorized medical professionals where applicable.
- 2. The medical history forms must be made present to the person conducting the physical exam at the time of the examination.

SDHSAA CONSENT FOR PARTICIPATION IN ACTIVITIES

Studen	t Name:	Date of Birth:
	Year: 2025-26 School Year of High School:	Place of Birth:
Name	n nigii school.	
The p	arent and student, by signing this form, hereby	:
1.	Understand and agree that participation in SDH student and is considered a privilege.	SAA sponsored activities is voluntary on the part of the
2.	existence of potential dangers associated with at (b) Participation in any athletic activity may involve (c) The severity of such injuries can range from serious injuries such as injuries to the body's borinjuries to the head, neck and spinal cord and corso severe as to result in total disability, paralysis (d) Even with the best coaching, use of the best prinjuries are still a possibility; and; (e) By signing this form, I/we give our consent further than the school year as listed on this form	olve injury of some type; minor cuts, bruises, sprains, and muscle strains to more nes, joints, ligaments, tendons, or muscles. Catastrophic neussions may also occur. On rare occasions, injuries and death; protective equipment, and strict observance of rules, or the listed student to compete in SDHSAA approved in Further, I/we give our permission for our child to alizing that such activity involves the potential for injury
3.		n of the student in SDHSAA activities subject to all participation in SDHSAA sponsored activities, and the for which the student is participating; and
4.	the student as a result of his/her participation information may include, but is not limited to, the and participation in officially recognized activition information disclosed, I/we must notify the about	dentifiable directory information may be disclosed about in SDHSAA sponsored activities. Such directory estudent's photograph, name, grade level, height, weight est and sports. If I/we do not wish to have any or all such overmentioned high school, in writing, of our refusal to rior to the student's participation in sponsored activities
	Signature of Parent	Date
	Signature of Student	Date

SDHSAA CONSENT FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT FORM

Student Name:	Da	ate of Birth:
prior to activities, to ensure that	medical care can be provided to the s both on-file at the school, as well as i	from all students and parent/guardians tudent during any activity away from in the possession of a student's
CONSENT FOR MEDICAL T 2025-26 school year):	TREATMENT (for those children 1	8 and under at any time during the
I,	, am the (circle one)	Parent or Legal Guardian, of
	, who participates in	activities and/or athletics for
	High School. I hereb	by consent to necessary medical services
•		ree to act on behalf of myself in securing on this form do not constitute consent for
Signati	ure of Parent	Date
CONSENT OF PARTICIPAN	T (for all students to complete):	
I,	, have read the abov	e consent for medical treatment form
signed above, or, as an individua	al of majority age, consent to those sa	me medical services and actions as
indicated above on this form.		
Signatu	ure of Student	Date

SDHSAA CONSENT FOR MEDICAL RELEASE FORM (HIPAA)

Student N	Name:	Grade:	Date of Birth:
/We the	e undersigned do hereby:		
1.	Authorize the use or disc Initial and Interim Pre-P ability to participate in S disclosure may be made the purposes of evaluation	articipation History and South Dakota High Scho by any Health Care Pro ng, observing, diagnosing overed by this form, or,	med individual's health information including the d Physical Exam information pertaining to a student collectivities Association sponsored activities. Such evider generating or maintaining such information for and creating treatment plans for injuries that occur, from pre-existing conditions that require care plans and covered by this form.
2.			by or disclosed to the school nurse, athletic trainer, rsonnel involved in the medical care of this student.
3.		s eligibility to participa	g disclosure will be used for the purpose of the in extracurricular activities, any limitations on the student.
4.	this authorization, I mus administration. I unders released in response to t	t do so in writing and part tand that the revocation his authorization. I und	athorization at any time. I understand that if I revoke resent my written revocation to the school will not apply to information that has already been derstand that the revocation will not apply to my insurer with the right to contest a claim under my
5.	This authorization will e	expire on July 1, 2026.	
6.	by the recipient and the Schools, School districts	information may not be and school personnel a	disclosed, there is potential for it to be re-disclosed protected by federal privacy laws or regulations. are to uphold the bounds of FERPA. As such, ol employees must be done in compliance with
7.	_	gibility to participate in	f the information identified above is voluntary. n extracurricular activities depends on such re healthcare treatment.
	Signature	of Parent	Date
Sig	onature of Student (if over 18 o	r turning 18 hefore July 1	. 2026) Date

This form must be completed annually and must be available for inspection at the school

SDHSAA CONCUSSION FACT SHEET FOR STUDENTS-

What is a concussion?

A concussion is a brain injury that:

- Is caused by a bump, blow, or jolt to the head or body
- Can change the way your brain normally works
- Can occur during practices or games in any sport or recreational activity
- Can happen even if you haven't been knocked out
- Can be serious even if you've just been "dinged" or "had your bell rung"

All concussions are serious. A concussion can affect your ability to do schoolwork and other activities (such as playing video games, working on a computer, studying, driving, or exercising). Most people with a concussion get better, but it is important to give your brain time to heal.

What are the symptoms of a concussion?

You can't see a concussion, but you might notice one or more of the symptoms listed below or that you "don't feel right" soon after, a few days after, or even weeks after the injury.

- Headache or "pressure" in head
- Nausea or vomiting
- Balance problems or dizziness
- Double or blurry vision
- Bothered by light or noise
- Feeling sluggish, hazy, foggy, or groggy
- Difficulty paying attention
- Memory problems
- Confusion

What should I do if I think I have a concussion?

- **Tell your coaches and your parents.** Never ignore a bump or blow to the head even if you feel fine. Also, tell your coach right away if you think you have a concussion or if one of your teammates might have a concussion.
- **Get a medical check-up.** A doctor or other health care professional can tell if you have a concussion and when it is OK to return to play.
- **Give yourself time to get better.** If you have a concussion, your brain needs time to heal. While your brain is still healing, you are much more likely to have another concussion. Repeat concussions can increase the time it takes for you to recover and may cause more damage to your brain. It is important to rest and not return to play until you get the OK from your health care professional that you are symptom-free.

How can I prevent a concussion?

Every sport is different, but there are steps you can take to protect yourself.

- Use the proper sports equipment, including personal protective equipment. In order for equipment to protect you, it must be:
 - The right equipment for the game, position, or activity
 - Worn correctly and the correct size and fit
 - Used every time you play or practice
- Follow you coach's rules for safety and the rules of the sport
- Practice good sportsmanship at all times

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Student's Name (Please Print)	Date
Signature of Student	Date
Parent's Signature	 Date

SDHSAA CONCUSSION FACT SHEET FOR PARENTS-

What is a concussion?

A concussion is a traumatic brain injury that interferes with the normal function of the brain.

What are the signs and symptoms?

You can't see a concussion, Signs and symptoms of concussion can show up right after the injury or may not appear or be noticed until days after the injury. If your teen reports, one or more symptoms of concussion listed below, or if you notice the symptoms yourself, keep your teen out of play and seek medical attention.

Signs Observed By Parents or Guardians	Symptoms Reported by Athlete			
 Dazed, vacant, or stunned appearance 	Headache or "pressure" in head			
 Is confused about assignment or position 	Neck pain			
 Forgetfulness 	Nausea			
 Is unsure of game, score, or opponent 	 Balance problems or dizziness 			
 Moves clumsily 	Double or blurry vision			
 Answers questions slowly 	 Sensitivity to light or noise 			
 Shows mood, behavior, or personality 	 Feeling sluggish, hazy, foggy, or groggy 			
changes	 Concentration or memory problems 			
 Can't recall events prior to or after hit or 	 Confusion 			
fall	 Just not "feeling right" or is "feeling down" 			

How can you help your teen prevent a concussion?

Every sport is different, but there are steps your teens can take to protect themselves from concussion and other injuries.

- Make sure they wear the right protective equipment for their activity. It should fit properly, be well maintained, and be worn consistently and correctly.
- Ensure that they follow their coaches' rules for safety and the rules of the sport
- Encourage them to practice good sportsmanship at all times.

What should you do if you think your child has a concussion?

If your child sustains a head injury, it is good to be aware of the signs and symptoms of a concussion. If you suspect an athlete has a concussion, the athlete must be removed from activity. Do not allow the athlete to drive until symptoms have resolved. Continuing to participate in a contact or collision sport while experiencing concussion symptoms can lead to worsening of symptoms, increased risk of further injury, and sometimes death.

Parents and coaches should not make the diagnosis of a concussion. Any athlete suspected of having a concussion should be evaluated by a medical professional trained in the diagnosis and management of concussions.

WHEN IN DOUBT, SIT THEM OUT!

Parent's Name	Date
Signature of Parent	Date
Student's Name	-

SDHSAA <u>INTERIM PRE PARTICIPATION</u> HEALTH HISTORY FORM -- Complete & Sign this form (with parents if younger than 18) in years when no physical is given to the student.

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Name:	_	Date of Birth:						
Date of Exam:		_	Sports: _				_	
List all past and current medical conditions:								
Have you ever had surgery? If Yes, list all procedures:								
List all prescriptions, over-the-counter meds or supplements you currently take:								
Do you have any allergies? If Yes, Please list them here:								
Over the last two weeks, how often have you been both	nered by th	e follo	wing problem	s? (Circle Respo	nse)			
			Not At All	Several Days	Over Half the Days	Nearly Eve	ery Da	у
Feeling nervous, anxious or on edge			0	1	2	3		
Not being able to stop or control worrying			0	1	2	3		
Little interest in pleasure or doing things			0	1	2	3		
Feeling down, depressed or hopeless			0	1	2	3		
A sum of 3 or greater is considered	d positive d	on eith	er subscale (Q:	1+2, or Q3+4) for	r screening purposes	•		
ANSWER EACH OF THE FOLL	OWING	QUE	STIONS SP	ECIFIC TO "II	N THE PAST YEAR	₹"		
& EXPLAIN ANY Y	ES ANSV	VERS	ON THE B	ACK OF THIS	SHEET:			
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GEN	IERAL QUESTIONS	Yes	No	BONE AND JOINT QUESTIONS, CONTINUED:	Yes	No
1.	Do you have any concerns you'd like to discuss with your			15. Do you have a bone, muscle, ligament or joint injury that		1
	provider?			bothers you?		
2.	Has a provider ever denied or restricted your participation in			MEDICAL QUESTIONS	Yes	No
	sports for any reason?			16. Do you cough, wheeze, or have difficulty breathing during or		1
3.	Do you have any ongoing medical issues or recent illnesses?			after exercise?		
HEA	ART HEALTH QUESTIONS ABOUT YOU	Yes	No	17. Are you missing a kidney, an eye, a testicle, your spleen or any		
4.	Have you ever passed out or nearly passed out during or after			other organ?		
	exercise?			18. Do you have groin or testicle pain or a painful bulge or hernia		
5.	Have you ever had discomfort, pain, tightness or pressure in			in the groin area?		
	your chest during exercise?			19. Do you have recurring skin rashes or rashes that come and go,		
6.	Does your heart ever race, flutter in your chest, or skip beats			including herpes or MRSA?		
	(irregular beats) during exercise?			20. Have you had a concussion or head injury that caused		
7.	Has a doctor ever told you that you have any heart problems?			confusion, a prolonged headache or memory problems?		
8.	Has a doctor ever requested a test for your heart? (Example:			21. Have you ever had numbness, tingling or weakness in your		
	electrocardiography or echocardiography)			arms or legs, or been unable to move your arms or legs after		
9.	Do you get light-headed or feel shorter of breath than your			being hit or falling?		
	friends during exercise?			22. Have you ever become ill while exercising in the heat?		
10.	Have you ever had a seizure?			23. Do you or does someone in your family have sickle cell trait or		
HEA	ART HEALTH QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR FAMILY	Yes	No	disease?		
11.	Has any family member or relative died of heart problems or			24. Have you ever had, or do you have any problems with your		
	had an unexpected or unexplained sudden death before 35			eyes or vision?		<u> </u>
	years of age (including drowning or unexplained car crash)			25. Do you worry about your weight?		
12.	Does anyone in your family have a genetic heart problem such			26. Are you trying to, or has anyone recommended that you gain		
	as hypertrophic cardiomyopathy (HCM), Marfan syndrome,			or lose weight?		
	arrhythmogenic right ventricular cardiomyopathy (ARVC), long			27. Are you on a special diet, or do you avoid certain types of		
	QT syndrome (LQTS) short QT syndrome (SQTS), Brugada			foods or food groups?		
	syndrome, or catecholaminergic polymorphic ventricular			28. Have you ever had an eating disorder?		
	tachycardia (CVPT)?			29. Have you ever had COVID-19?		
13.	Has anyone in your family had a pacemaker or implanted			FEMALES ONLY	Yes	No
	defibrillator before age 35?			30. Have you ever had a menstrual period?		
BON	NE AND JOINT QUESTIONS	Yes	No	31. How old were you when you had your first period?		
14.	,			32. When was your most recent period?		
	muscle, ligament, joint or tendon that caused you to miss a			33. How many periods have you had in the past 12 months?		
	practice or a game?					

named student is physically fit to participate in interscholastic athletics for the current school year, including those areas marked 'yes' above:
Signature of Athlete:
Signature of parent/guardian (if under 18):
Date:
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RECERTIFICATION OF HEALTH: I hereby state that, to the best of my knowledge, my answers on this form are complete and correct & the above

SDHSAA HEALTH HISTORY FORM - To be completed (with parent/guardian if student is under 18) in years when a physical exam is given, prior to the exam.

D	ame:ame:ate of Exam:				Date of E Sports:				•	
				_	Sports					_
	List all past and									
	current medical conditions:									
	Have you ever had surgery? If Yes, list all procedures:									
	List all prescriptions, over-the-counter meds									
	or supplements you currently take:									
	Do you have any allergies?									
	If Yes, Please list them here:									
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	Little interest in pleasure or doing				0	1	2	3		
	Feeling down, depressed or hop				0	1	2	3		
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	provider?	-			bothers	•	e, ngament or joint injury			
	Has a provider ever denied or restricted your particip	ation in			MEDICAL QUE	STIONS			Yes	No
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	Do you have any ongoing medical issues or recent illn	esses?			after exe					
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	(irregular beats) during exercise?	•			20. Have you	ı had a concussior	or head injury that cause	ed		
	Has a doctor ever told you that you have any heart pr						adache or memory proble			
	Has a doctor ever requested a test for your heart? (Ex	ample:					ess, tingling or weakness			
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	E AND JOINT QUESTIONS Have you ever had a stress fracture or an injury to a be	one	Yes	No			ou had your first period?			
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SDHSAA PREPARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EXAM FORM Date of Birth: Athlete Name: Annual/Biennial/Triennial: Date of Exam: **Physician Reminders:** 1. Consider additional questions on more sensitive issues: Do you feel stressed out or under a lot of pressure? Do you ever feel sad, hopeless, depressed or anxious? Do you feel safe at your home or residence? Have you ever tried cigarettes, e-cigarettes, vaping, chewing tobacco, snuff or dip? Over the past 30 days, have you used chewing tobacco, snuff or dip? Do you drink alcohol or use any other drugs? Have you ever taken anabolic steroids or used any other performance-enhancing supplement? Have you ever taken any supplements to help you gain or lose weight or improve your performance? Do you wear a seatbelt or helmet? Consider reviewing questions on cardiovascular symptoms (#4-13 on health history form) **EXAMINATION** Height: Weight: BP: Vision: R 20/ L 20/ Corrected?: Pulse: **MEDICAL** Normal **Abnormal Findings** Appearance Head/Mouth Eyes, ears, nose and throat - Pupils equal & Hearing **Lymph Nodes Heart*** -Heart sounds, murmurs, pulse, rhythm, auscultation Lungs **Abdomen -** Liver/Spleen, masses Skin - HSV, Lesions, Staph, MRSA, etc. Neurological MUSCULOSKELETAL **Abnormal Findings** Neck Back Shoulder & Arm **Elbow & Forearm** Wrist, Hand and Fingers Hip & Thigh Knee Leg & Ankle Foot & Toes **Functional** Double-leg squat test, single-leg squat test, box drop or step drop test Consider electrocardiography (ECG), echocardiography, referral to a cardiologist for abnormal cardiac history or exam findings, or a combination Sports Participation Recommended for (Mark One): ☐ Medically eligible for all sports without restriction ☐ Medically eligible for all sports without restriction with recommendation for further evaluation or treatment of: ☐ Medically eligible for certain sports (list here): ☐ Not medically eligible pending further evaluation: ☐ Not medically eligible for any sports:_____ Name of Examiner:

Note: SDCL allows Doctor of Medicine, Doctor of Osteopathy, Doctor of Chiropractic, Licensed Physician Assistant and Licensed Nurse Practitioners as those that can provide this recommendation.

Signature of Examiner:

Date of Exam:

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