

## Important Information for Parents

### DOCTOR VISITS:

Any athlete that is seen by a physician must hand in a note to the Athletic Trainer. This note must include a return to play/clearance date and be signed by the physician. The note must also include an injury diagnosis and therapeutic recommendations if he/she is to rehab in the training room. No student is allowed to return to practice or games until a note is received, NO EXCEPTIONS.

### SKIN INFECTIONS:

Any athlete that is being treated for a skin condition/infection must inform his/her coach, the athletic trainer, and school nurse immediately. Proper protocols must be followed to ensure the safety for all student athletes. Any athlete that is being treated for MRSA or any other skin condition must bring in a clearance note from their physician. Thank you for your understanding. Please read the section on MRSA and other skin conditions.

### PHYSICALS:

Please note the current PIAA physical form is the only form that will be accepted. No other forms will be accepted, NO EXCEPTIONS. This is a new PIAA rule and it will be enforced. There will also be no carry over for physicals from last year. No physicals dated prior to 6/1 of the upcoming school year will be accepted. All portions must be filled out and turned in to the Athletic Trainer before an athlete is allowed to participate. This includes emergency information, athletic history, and medical clearance. No exceptions. Any questions, please contact the Athletic Director at 215-420-5054 or [rcrosby@hatboro-horsham.org](mailto:rcrosby@hatboro-horsham.org).

### IMPACT TESTING NOW MANDATORY:

Concussions are dangerous and life threatening injuries and it is imperative that they are handled appropriately. All concussions and/or head injuries must be referred to the Certified Athletic Trainer or a physician that specializes in concussion management.

All students who participate in the following sports must take the ImpACT neuro-cognitive baseline test before participating:

Football	Boys & Girls Basketball	Baseball
Softball	Soccer	Wrestling
Girls & Boys Lacrosse	Field Hockey	Volleyball
Cheerleading		

#### CONCUSSION MANAGEMENT AND CLEARANCE:

Due to a new Pennsylvania law, any athlete suspected of sustaining a concussion must be removed from play. The athlete may not return until cleared by a licensed health care provider that is trained in the evaluation and management of concussions. See the athletic trainer for recommended physicians.

See the Bill Below.

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