Gallatin County Schools Consent to Participate in School Sport Activities and Waiver of Liability Relating to COVID-19



The novel coronavirus (COVID-19) has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to person contact. Kentucky High School Athletic Association (KHSAA) and Gallatin County Schools (District) have put in place preventative measures to reduce and minimize the potential exposure of athletes to COVID-19 while participating in sports training and contests. The District cannot guarantee that a student athlete will not be exposed to COVID-19.

By signing this agreement, I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that my child (or I, if 18 or older) may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by participating in student athletic activities and that such exposure or infection may result in illness, personal injury, permanent disability, and/or death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by reason of my child or my participation in school athletic activities may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of me, my child, other student participants, school staff, volunteers or others at or around me or my child during the athletic activities. Athletic activities include, but are not limited to, team training (physical, as well as meetings), contests, dressing, and showers. I voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury to my child or me (including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, and/or death), illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense, of any kind, that I may experience or incur in connection with my or my child's participation in school athletic activities.

I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless the Gallatin County School, its Board members, and its employees, staff, agents, and representatives, of and from all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto. I understand and agree that this release includes any claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of the Walton-Verona School District, its Board members, its employees, staff, agents and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after my child's or my participation in school athletic activities.