

# PORTALES CITY LEAGUE SPORTS

## -Youth Flag Football-

Player's Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Gender \_\_\_\_\_

Current Age \_\_\_\_\_

Current Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth (month/day/year) \_\_\_\_\_

Current School Attending \_\_\_\_\_

**RETURNER / NEW PLAYER**

If Returning: Previous Team Name \_\_\_\_\_

Having been informed of the organization of Portales City Sports Youth Flag Football to provide supervised flag football games, I/We the parents of the above named candidate, do hereby give my/our approval to participate in any and all of the activities during the current season. I/We do hereby state that the candidate is physically able to participate in flag football. I/We do assume all the risks and hazards incidental to the conduct of the activities and transportation to and from the activities, and I/We do further hereby release, absolve, indemnify and hold harmless Portales City Sports and the City of Portales, the organizers, the supervisors, and coaches—any or all of them. In case of injury to the candidate, I/We hereby waive all claims against the organizers, the sponsors, or any of the supervisors and coaches appointed by them. I/We are in a position to furnish upon request by league officials a certified copy of the birth certificate of the above named candidate.

Children are eligible to participate in the league if he/she is in kindergarten through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade in Roosevelt county and have paid the registration fee of \$50 must be paid in full at the time of registration. Uniforms are ordered based on the size marked below. If you order the wrong size, it is the responsibility of the participant and/or guardian/parent to purchase the correct size once the uniform order has been placed and/or received.

I/WE KNOW THERE IS NO INSURANCE COVERAGE PROVIDED FOR THE PLAYERS IN THIS ACTIVITY; THEREFORE I/WE REALIZE THAT I/WE ARE ENCOURAGED TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR INSURANCE COVERAGE.

Unless this box is checked, this registration form gives consent for any pictures of participant to be taken and published.

Parent /Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Work \_\_\_\_\_

Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

\*

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Interested in coaching?**  YES  NO

*Check one of the following:*

School Grade Group:  (KINDERGARTEN)  (1<sup>st</sup>)  (2<sup>nd</sup>)

Jersey Size:  YS (25-27)  YM (28-30)  YL (31-30)  YXL (34-35)

Jersey Size:  AS  AM  AL  AXL  AXXL

### FOR PCS USE ONLY

DATE PAID \_\_\_\_\_

AMT PAID \_\_\_\_\_

RECEIPT # \_\_\_\_\_

CASH  CHECK# \_\_\_\_\_

RECEIVED BY \_\_\_\_\_

**Checks Payable To: PCS**

**Portales City League Sports**

If the wrong size is marked for the participant, the parent is responsible for the payment of a new uniform.

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## Parent Code of Conduct

1. Have respect for all volunteer coaches, team members, opponents, officials and other representatives involved in Portales City Sports.
2. Agree to support our team in a positive manner and showcase good sportsmanship toward all players, coaches, parents, and game officials (USA FOOTBALL p24).
3. Ensure that my child takes proper care of all equipment that is issued and/or placed at a gym or field.
4. Immediately notify a coach if equipment becomes damaged (particular attention must be given to the care of helmets and shoulder pads).
5. Immediately notify a coach if my child will be absent from practice.
6. Make sure my child is picked up on time after practices or games, or contact the coach as soon as possible if I cannot.
7. Ensure that my child knows and understands that Sportsmanship and Teamwork are mandatory; **no vulgar language, tantrums, displays of anger or fighting will be tolerated.**
8. Respect the coaches' commitment to coach my child and will not interfere with on-field instruction during practices or games (USA FOOTBALL p24).
9. Ensure that my child represents him/herself and teammates on and off the field and/or gym.
10. Teach my child to play by the rules and respect teammates, opponents, game officials, and coaches (USA FOOTBALL p24).
11. Make sure whether in victory or defeat my child conducts him/herself with pride and poise.
12. Ensure that my child knows and understands that he/she is a player for Portales City Sports and that the game is measured by the development of skills, not by winning or losing.
13. I will cheer for our team in a positive manner no matter the outcome of the game (USA FOOTBALL p24).
14. Talk to the League Coordinator, or Contact the League Director, if there is a concern.

## Athlete Code of Conduct

1. Have respect for all **volunteer coaches**, team members, opponents, officials and other representatives involved in Portales City Sports; when I score a touchdown I will simply hand the ball to the official before celebrating with my teammates (USA FOOTBALL p23).
2. Take proper care of all equipment that is issued and/or placed at a gym or field.
3. I will honor the sport by playing within the rules during games and practices (USA FOOTBALL p23).
4. Immediately notify my coach if equipment becomes damaged (particular attention must be given to the care of helmets and shoulder pads. **Never sit on my helmet or any of the sports balls.**
5. Immediately notify my coach if I will be absent from practice.
6. I will remember that Sportsmanship and Teamwork are mandatory. **No vulgar language, tantrums, displays of anger, or fighting will be tolerated.**
7. I am accountable for the results of my behavior toward my teammates, coaches and game officials (USA FOOTBALL p23).
8. Represent myself and teammates on and off the field and/or gym.
9. Conduct myself with pride and poise, whether in victory or defeat.
10. When I make a great play, I will not embarrass my opponent (USA FOOTBALL p23).
11. Remember that I am a player for Portales City Sports and that the game is measured by the development of skills, not by winning or losing.
12. Agree to put my team first and put forth my best effort on the field in support of team goals.
13. Talk to the League Coordinator, or Contact the League Director, if there is a concern.

\_\_\_\_\_  
PARENT SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
PARTICIPANT SIGNATURE

\*\*If either "Code of Conduct" is violated, a system of disciplinary actions/steps will be followed:

1. The "Parent Code of Conduct", is your warning.
2. The first violation will result in a suspension from one game.
3. The second violation will result in and indefinite suspension and a mandatory appearance in front of the **Portales Sports Committee and Portales Recreation Advisory Board.**

**\*\*Participants must give their coaches respect and courtesy or they may forfeit eligibility**

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## HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

IMPORTANT: This agreement contains a waiver of rights by the people signing it. Please READ IT CAREFULLY. If you have any questions or reservations about it whatsoever, please do not sign it.

This AGREEMENT entered into this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_ by and between THE CITY OF PORTALES ("The CITY") and \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Participant"), or \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Parent(s) of the Participant" if he or she is under the age of 18 years.)

WITNESSETH: In consideration of the Participant being allowed by the Commission to participate in all CITY OF PORTALES Recreation programs and in consideration of the covenants and representations herein made, the Participant or the Parent(s) of the Participant do hereby agree as follows:

1. The Participant or the Parent(s) of the Participant as the case may be, do hereby release and discharge and agree to hold harmless the City of Portales, it's agents, and assigns, (hereinafter the "City"), individually and collectively of and from any and all liability, action, cause of action claim, demand and responsibility whatsoever in law and in equity, arising out of or in consequence of the Participant participating in the Program, or being a passenger in a vehicle provided by the City, in conjunction with the Program - including specifically but without limitation injury and/or death -unless the same is caused by the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the City, if such claims are permitted under the New Mexico Tort Claims Act
2. The Participant or the Parent(s) of the Participant specifically acknowledge the potential of risk and injury involved in participation in the Program and do hereby assume said risk and authorize the City or its representative to obtain emergency medical treatment for the Participant should the same be necessary during the course of the Program and should the Commission or its representative be unable to make immediate contact with the Parent(s) of the Participant. The Participant or the Parent(s) shall be responsible for the costs of said emergency treatment.
3. It is understood and agreed that the City of Portales, shall not be required to maintain medical or hospitalization insurance coverage with the respect to the program and those who participate in it.

Participant \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
Portales Rec. Dept \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



# NMAA

New Mexico Activities Association

## CONCUSSION IN SPORTS

# A Fact Sheet for Athletes and Parents

## WHAT IS A CONCUSSION?

A concussion is an injury that changes how the cells in the brain normally work. A concussion is caused by a blow to the head or body that causes the brain to move rapidly inside the skull. Even a "ding," "getting your bell rung," or what seems to be a mild bump or blow to the head can be serious. Concussions can also result from a fall or from players colliding with each other or with obstacles, such as a goalpost.

## WHAT ARE THE SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF A CONCUSSION?

### Observed by the Athlete

Headache or "pressure" in head  
Nausea or vomiting  
Balance problems or dizziness  
Double or blurry vision  
Bothered by light  
Bothered by noise  
Feeling sluggish, hazy, foggy, or groggy  
Difficulty paying attention  
Memory problems  
Confusion  
Does not "feel right"

### Observed by the Parent / Guardian

- Is confused about assignment or position
- Forgets an instruction
- Is unsure of game, score, or opponent
- Moves clumsily
- Answers questions slowly
- Loses consciousness (even briefly)
- Shows behavior or personality changes
- Can't recall events after hit or fall
- Appears dazed or stunned

## WHAT TO DO IF SIGNS/SYMPTOMS OF A CONCUSSION ARE PRESENT

### Athlete

- TELL YOUR COACH IMMEDIATELY!
  - Inform Parents
  - Seek Medical Attention
- Give Yourself Time to Recover

### Parent / Guardian

- Seek Medical Attention
- Keep Your Child Out of Play
- Discuss Plan to Return with the Coach

It's **better** to miss one game **than the** whole season.

Give yourself time to get better. If you have had a concussion, your brain needs time to heal. While your brain is still healing, you are much more likely to have a second concussion. Second or later concussions can cause damage to your brain. It is important to rest until you get approval from a doctor or health care professional to return to play.

## RETURN TO PLAY GUIDELINES UNDER SB137

1. Remove immediately from activity when signs/symptoms are present.
2. Must not return to full activity prior to a minimum of 240 hours (10 days).
3. Release from medical professional required for return.
4. Follow school district's return to play guidelines.
5. Coaches continue to monitor for signs/symptoms once athletes return to activity.

Students need cognitive rest from the classroom, texting, cell phones, etc.

## REFERENCES ON SENATE BILL 137 AND BRAIN INJURIES

Senate Bill 137:

<http://www.nmlegis.gov/Sessions/16%20Regular/final/SB0137.pdf>

For more information on brain injuries check the following websites:

<http://www.nfhs.org/resources/sports-medicine>

<http://www.cdc.gov/concussion/HeadsUp/youth.html>

<http://www.stopsportsinjuries.org/concussion.aspx>

<http://www.ncaa.org/health-and-safety/medical-conditions/concussions>



## SIGNATURES

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have received and reviewed the attached NMAA's *Concussion in Sports Fact Sheet for Athletes and Parents*. I also acknowledge and I understand I the risks of brain injuries associated with participation in school athletic activity, and I am aware of the State of the New Mexico's Senate Bill 137; Concussion Law.

Athlete's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



## RETURN TO PLAY GUIDELINES UNDER NEW MEXICO SENATE BILL 137 (2016)

1. Remove athlete immediately from activity when signs/symptoms of a concussion are present.
  - Coaches must be educated in signs/ symptoms of a concussion.
2. Athletes must not return to full activity prior to a minimum of 240 hours (10 days).
3. Athletes must be released to participation by an appropriate medical professional before returning.
  - MD, DO, PA, CNP, Licensed Psychologist, Licensed Athletic Trainer (as per Senate Bill 137)
4. School districts are required to develop head injury protocols (guidelines).
5. Coaches must follow school district's head injury protocol when allowing athletes to return to play.
6. Coaches must continue to monitor for signs/symptoms once athletes return to activity.
7. School districts are required to inform parents/athletes of the potential risks of head injuries in sports.

