



## **CONSENT AND PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT**

The Vancouver Board of Education SD#39 is pleased to be reopening youth and children's sports programs for the fall of 2020. This Consent and Participation Agreement provides information about student participation in these Sports Programs, the measures we have put in place to mitigate risks to students, and our expectations of students and parents. Once you have reviewed this form, please ensure that both you, as the parent/guardian, and your student sign and return it to the School.

### **YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES**

It is the responsibility of students and their parents and guardians to...

1. ensure students are physically and medically fit and able to participate in the Sports Program(s) (and to seek medical advice where appropriate);
  2. identify to school authorities activities in which students are unable to safely participate;
  3. refrain from any activities or conduct that may place other participants at risk;
  4. comply with Sports Program rules and the directions of teachers and coaches.
- In the event of any noncompliance with these conditions, students may not be permitted to participate until the non-compliance issues are resolved.

### **COVID-19 AND SCHOOL SPORTS**

COVID-19 is an infectious disease and managing community transmission of this disease is important. The risk of infection increases when individuals gather together or are in close contact. Infection with COVID-19 may cause serious illness and potentially fatal health consequences.

The School District cannot guarantee that a person (of any age) will not contract COVID 19 while participating in the Sports Program(s), but we have taken steps to develop and implement COVID-19 safety protocols which are intended to reduce risk. Those protocols are available for your review at <https://www.vsb.bc.ca/News/Documents/SafetyPlanProtocols.pdf>.

While the School District has implemented preventive measures, the risk remains that a COVID-19 exposure could occur. It is important that all students and their parents/guardians understand and agree to the following conditions of participation.

- Parents/guardians and students must read and comply with the Safety Policies;
- It is vital that no person who feels sick in any way participates in the Sports Program or enters School facilities, including where they:
  - a) have experienced cold or flu-like symptoms within the last 14 days;
  - b) been in close contact with anyone else who has had these symptoms in the last 14 days; or
  - c) been in close contact with anyone who has travelled outside of Canada in the last 14 days.
- While hygiene will be emphasized, physical distancing amongst the students who participate in the Sports Program(s) may not be possible to achieve or effectively enforce.



- If you or your Child becomes ill within 14 days of attending a Sports Program event you must notify us immediately and we may share your personal information for the purposes of contact tracing if the need arises.
- Students displaying symptoms of respiratory distress or illness will be asked not to participate in the Sports Program.

**NATURE OF THE RISKS**

By signing this Participation Agreement parents and students acknowledge and agree that: (1) they consent to the student’s participation in such Sports Program(s) and all related activities, and understand and acknowledge that this may expose the student to risk, including through their attendance and participation in such Sports Program(s), which may include the use of the facilities and lands owned, occupied or used by the School District, (2) the student’s participation is and you understand and agree to assume any and all risks associated with his/her participation in such Sports Program, whether or not the School District has disclosed those risks to you, including the possibility of illness (including COVID 19 infection), injury, psychological injury or stress, pain, suffering, permanent or temporary disability, property or economic loss, even death and other unforeseen risks (collectively the “Losses” & each a “Loss”).

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE**

In the event of a medical emergency involving the student, the School may arrange to provide care to the student and/or to transport the student to a medical facility. The School District will make efforts to contact parents/guardians in such circumstances, but may, if necessary, make arrangements for the delivery of first aid or medical care to the student before parents are contacted.

**GENERAL**

By completing the document, you acknowledge and agree that:

1. You have read and understand and agree to this this Participation Agreement.
2. You have read the Safety Policies and ensure that you and your student comply with them;
3. You have the legal authority to enter into this Participation Agreement on behalf of your student;
4. You on your own and on behalf of your student voluntarily assume all risks of the Losses described above, including the risk of COVID-19 infection;
5. You consent to the collection, use and disclosure of your personal information and your child’s personal information as described above.

I am the parent/guardian of the Participant, and I accept this Agreement on my own behalf and on behalf of my child.

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Signature of Parent/Guardian

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Print Name

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Signature of Student

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Print Name