#### **Section VI - Rules Governing Athletic Contests**

#### A. General Rules

#### 1. Sports Sanctioned By MAIS

The MAIS will sanction twenty-one (21) different sports during the school year. The sports sanctioned for boys are archery, football, basketball, track, golf, soccer, cross-country, tennis and swimming. The sports sanctioned for girls are archery, fast-pitch softball, basketball, cross-country, track, soccer, tennis, golf, cheer/dance, and swimming.

#### National Federation Rules

National Federation Rules will used where applicable. There are a few exceptions. These exceptions and/or clarifications are so noted in the sections below describing the rules that govern each individual sport. The Director of Activities may also notify members of additional modifications through postings on the Post Office page.

#### 3. Required Number Of Officials To Play A Contest

To start the game there should be at least four (4) uniformed certified officials to officiate a varsity football game, two (2) officiating a basketball game, two (2) officiating a soccer match, and two (2) umpires to call a baseball or softball game. All officials must be registered with the Midsouth Association of Independent Schools Athletic Officials Association unless otherwise permitted by the AAC or the Director of Activities. After a game has started, should the number of officials fall below the aforementioned numbers, both schools must agree to finish the contest with the reduced number of officials or the game will be postponed.

#### 4. Playing Non-MAIS Schools

No athletic contest shall be held with any school not belonging to the MAIS unless permission has been granted from the Director of Activities. School must request permission to participate against a non-member school by sending an email to the Director at <a href="mailto:triplett@msais.org">triplett@msais.org</a>, or the Associate Director at <a href="mailto:ddrake@msais.org">ddrake@msais.org</a>.

#### 5. Penalty For Removing A Team From Play

Any school that removes a team from the playing floor, or field, in protest of an official's decision, or for any other reason, shall be subject to automatic probation, and any other penalty deemed necessary by the AAC. The removal of a team in protest is considered to be a gross act of unsportsmanlike conduct. If an emergency arises which makes it advisable to discontinue a contest, it should be done by mutual consent of the teams involved through the referee.

#### 6. Ejection Procedure

Removal of individuals from the premises (game site) as a result of behavior:

- a. Coach: The referee shall suspend the contest until the coach has left the premises and coaching duties are assumed by another school representative. Failure of the coach to leave the premises and be replaced by another school representative in a reasonable period of time shall cause that team to forfeit the game.
- b. Player: The referee shall suspend the contest until the player has left the playing field/court. An ejected player should remain on the bench after ejection unless further unsportsmanlike conduct warrants removal. Should the referee feel that the player is interfering with proper game administration, the referee shall suspend the game and instruct the coach that the player must leave the premises under the supervision of a coach or other school representative. Failure of a player to leave the premises under supervision in a reasonable period of time shall cause that team to forfeit the game. It is noted that this section does not refer to the player ejections that result from receiving two technical fouls in basketball, receiving a red card in soccer, etc. It refers to those times when bench personnel act in a way that disrupts the game.
- c. Spectator: The referee shall suspend the contest until the home game administrator removes the spectator from the premises. The failure of a spectator to leave in a reasonable period of time shall cause that team to forfeit the game. Game administrators and officials should be cognizant of the problem in games that are held at neutral sites and situations where the offending spectator may not be associated with the crowd in which he/she is sitting.

The National Federation recommends these procedures by combining a little law with a little common sense, as well as experience in rules writing, for use by State Associations in dealing with the removal of individuals from the game site. Should fans become abusive at an athletic contest, the following procedure should be followed:

- a. The official should notify the host school administrator to warn the fan, that if the abusive behavior continues, he/she will be ejected from the contest. It is strongly recommended that if the fan is from the visiting team, the host administrator communicate this through the visiting headmaster (or his/her representative). It is noted that a warning to any fan by an official serves as a warning in general to all fans.
- b. Following the warning, if the abuse continues, the official should notify the host school administrator to eject the fan. The host school administrator is responsible for removing the fan, not the official.

If an unsportsmanlike incident occurs at a sporting event, and the game administrator is directed by an official to inform a fan(s) that their behavior must cease, verbal abuse from the offending party may occur. In such a case, should the incident be reported to the Affairs Committee, the fan(s) will be subject to a minimum \$250 fine, and the school will be placed on probation for a period of one year. This will be the case regardless of whether or not the fan is ejected.

Also, it is noted that there are some types of behavior (using profanity, throwing objects, making threats or extreme cases of disrespect towards the officials and/or game administration) that will not be tolerated, and will result in immediate removal.

MAIS officials should NEVER become engaged in any type of confrontation with fans.

#### 7. Coaching Ejections

The ejection of a coach from a game for unsportsmanlike conduct will automatically result in the following minimum disciplinary action:

- a. Coach will be placed on probation for at least one (1) year.
- b. Coach will be fined a minimum of \$250.00; maximum of \$1000.00.
- c. Coach will be suspended for the next game; he/she will not be allowed to attend. For further clarification, the Affairs Committee has interpreted this to mean the next regularly scheduled game at the time of the ejection. For example, if an additional game is scheduled, said game cannot be used to satisfy the 'sit out' portion of this sanction. In addition, a suspended coach is not to have ANY kind of input (cell phone, text message, etc.) in the game.
- d. Case will be reviewed by the AAC, with possibility of coach being excluded from coaching all-star game.
- e. School will be placed on probation for at least one (1) year.
- f. School will be fined a minimum fine of \$300.00.

#### 8. Fan Ejections

Any fan ejection from a game for unsportsmanlike conduct will automatically result in the following minimum disciplinary action:

a. Fan will be fined a minimum of \$250.00 and will not be allowed to attend any further MAIS athletic events for the next seven days beginning with the day after the ejection occurred. It is noted that after the sit-out period is over, and upon payment of the fine and receipt of a letter of apology to the appropriate party, the attendance ban could be lifted. This would be dependent on the severity of the fan's actions. Example: A fan is ejected on Monday, October 1. The sit-out period would be Tuesday, October 2 through Monday, October 8. The first possible contest that the fan could attend would be on Tuesday, October 9.

- b. School will be placed on probation for at least one (1) year.
- c. School will be fined a minimum fine of \$300.00.
- d. It is noted that once the Affairs Committee has made a judgement that a fan ejection is valid, and sanctions have been levied, the only appeal that a school can make to the full body of the AAC concerning it's fine is about the validity of the ejection. Schools cannot appeal to have their portion of the sanctions for a valid ejection removed or reduced. An appeal can, however, be made to reduce the sanctions on a fan.

#### 9. Player Ejections

#### Rule As It Pertains To Players

- a. First Ejection Schools will be responsible for disciplining an athlete after his/her first ejection.
- b. Second Ejection Any player that is ejected from an athletic contest for the second time in a school year will not be allowed to participate in athletics for two (2) weeks. It is noted, for example, that this is interpreted to mean that an athlete receiving his/her second ejection on a Monday, would be eligible to play on the Tuesday two weeks later.
- c. Third Ejection Any player ejected from an athletic contest for the third time in a school year will be banned from participating in athletics for the remainder of the school year.

Should the Affairs Committee determine that a player has committed an act of gross misconduct, suspension for an indefinite period of time could result.

#### Rule As It Pertains To Schools

a. Fines - The fine for schools receiving their first, second, third, fourth and fifth ejections during a school year will be as follows: \$0, \$100, \$300, \$500 and \$1000 respectively. It is noted that fines of \$100 and \$300 carry a sanction of 'warning' and 'probation' respectively.

No school shall be fined more than \$1000 for any one incident involving multiple player ejections.

- b. Third Player Ejection Schools that have a third player ejected could be required to appear before the Affairs Committee. The right to participate in post-season play and/or the right to host home games could be taken away should three or more player ejections occur.
- c. Fourth Player Ejection (or more) Schools that have four or more player ejections in a school year could be required to appear before the Affairs Committee.

#### 10. Local Officials' Association

It is mandatory that each member school be serviced by the football, basketball, soccer, softball and baseball officials' associations formed in their area.

- a. An assessment fee shall be paid to the Secretary of the local Officials' Association for assigning varsity games.
- b. Attendance at MAIS rules clinics is mandatory for the varsity and jr. high head coach during years in which they are held. In years when the information is disseminated online, participation is also required for the varsity and jr. high head coach. This participation could include but is not limited to watching appropriate videos, taking rules test, etc. Failure to appropriately comply in either case shall result in a \$100.00 penalty assessment against the school.

#### 11. Proper And Improper Cheers

No cheers or yells shall include profanity. Any member school guilty of this violation shall automatically be placed on probation for one (1) year. In addition, administrators shall remind their cheerleaders and pep squads that they should cheer for their teams, and not against the other teams. Derogatory remarks and unsportsmanlike language should be discouraged, and in no way condoned.

#### 12. Participation Rule For Girls & Boys

Girls shall be permitted to participate in any sport unless a comparable sport is offered to girls during that particular school year. When a school has a boys' and girls' team in a particular sport, or a COMPARABLE sport (ex. - baseball and softball), participation by girls is limited to the girls' team only.

At no time will boys (see definition) be allowed to participate in the following sports: girls' cross country, girls' swimming, girls' fast-pitch softball, girls' slow-pitch softball, girls' soccer, girls' volleyball, girls' basketball, girls' tennis, girls' golf, girls' track & field.

#### 13. Employment Status Of A Coach

During a regular season game or any playoff series, coaches in all sports must be on the faculty or be an employee of the member school that they serve. Exception: It is permissible for a coach to have a letter of understanding regarding employment with said member school.

#### 14. Protests

The MAIS does not recognize protests in any sport. Once an athletic contest has officially ended, the results are final.

#### 15. Improper Filming Of A Contest

No individual and/or member school shall be allowed to film or tape games in which they are not directly participating. The Affairs Committee will investigate any violation of this rule.

#### Sub-Standard Facilities

Any school reported to have sub-standard facilities will be investigated by at least two (2) AAC members who will recommend whatever actions necessary. Schools found to have sub-standard facilities may not be allowed to host playoffs.

#### 17. Participation Status

A student-athlete is considered to have participated in a sport any time he/she has played in a jamboree, a preseason game or tournament, or a regular season game or tournament for the school. This status will be used when determining if an athlete has played the same sport in the same school year at two different schools.

#### 18. Early Dismissal Policy

Students are allowed only one (1) early dismissal from an academic class per week per sport.

#### 19. No Play Dates

The AAC has removed all no-play dates from the calendar. Schools are, however, asked to be sensitive to the academic events that are posted on the MAIS calendar.

#### 20. Pre-Game Meeting With Officials

The game administrator for any sport requiring officials is required to meet with the officials and coaches at a pregame meeting. This will give the officials an opportunity to meet the game administrator, and find out where he/she will be located for the upcoming game(s). In any instance where there are multiple sets of officials used, multiple meetings would be required (Ex: 2 officials calling 7th-8th grade basketball games; 2 different officials calling ir. high basketball games; 2 different officials calling varsity basketball games).

I understand the Northeast Baptist School Standards and agree to keep them. I understand that I am not allowed to participate in any athletic activities until this sheet is signed and returned to the office.

I also understand and agree to keep all the rules and standards in the Athletic Handbook. In addition to the NBS athletic handbook, I have been informed of the standards and guidelines required by the league. I understand that if my parent or I am ejected from a league game, I will be responsible to pay the fines issued to the school as well as myself.

I commit to keep my GPA eligible per NBS guidelines. I will do my best to be a person of character and a positive role model for others to follow. My parent or guardian also agrees to hold me accountable to these standards and will support NBS with their time as much as possible.

Athlete's Signature:		
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NBS athletic handbook and agree	to all the rules along with the expectations of the lea	ague.
I	agree to support NBS with my time, talents, and	abilities to help my
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I,	, understand that every sport I play will have rule	es that will be enforced
by each coach and their staff.		
Date:		
Parent Name:		
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MIDSOUTH ASSOCIATION OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS

# **Concussion Form**

To be Sent Home With Each Student-Athlete – Signed & Returned (Required by MAIS Annually)



A concussion is a brain injury and all brain injuries are serious. They are caused by a bump, blow or jolt to the head, or by a blow to another part of the body with the force transmitted to the head. They can range from mild to severe and can disrupt the way the brain normally works. Even though most concussions are mild, all concussions are potentially serious and may result in complications including prolonged brain damage and death if not recognized and managed properly. In other words, even a "ding" or a bump on the head can be serious. You cannot see a concussion and most sports concussions occur without loss of consciousness. Signs and symptoms of concussion may show up right after the injury or can take hours or days to fully appear. If your child reports any symptoms of concussion, or if you notice the symptoms or signs of concussion yourself, seek medical attention right away.

- Symptoms (Listed on back of this page)
- Signs Observed by Teammates, Parents & Coaches (Listed on back of this page)

What can happen if my child keeps on playing with a concussion or returns too soon? Athletes with the signs and symptoms of concussion should be removed from play immediately. Continuing to play with the signs and symptoms of a concussion leaves the athlete especially vulnerable to greater injury. There is an increased risk of significant damage from a concussion for a period of time after that concussion occurs, particularly if the athlete suffers another concussion before completely recovering from the first one. This can lead to prolonged recovery, or even to severe brain swelling (second impact syndrome) with devastating and even fatal consequences. It is well known that adolescent or teenage athletes will often fail to report symptoms of injuries. Concussions are no different. As a result, education of administrators, coaches, parents and students is key to a student-athlete's safety.

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## Concussions - Signs & Symptoms to Observe







### **Concussion Symptons**

- 1 Headaches
- 2 "Pressure" in Head
- 3 Nausea or vomiting
- 4 Neck pain
- 5 Balance problems or dizziness
- 6 Blurred, double or fuzzy vision
- 7 Sensitivity to light or noise
- 8 Feeling sluggish/slowed down
- 9 Feeling foggy or groggy
- 10 Drowsiness
- 11 Change in sleep patterns

- 12 Amnesia
- 13 "Don't feel right"
- 14 Fatigue or low energy
- 15 Sadness
- 16 Nervousness or anxiety
- 17 Irritability
- 18 More emotional
- 19 Confusion
- 20 Concentration or memory problems
- 21 Forgetting game plays
- 22 Repeating the same question/comment

## Signs Observed by Teammates, Parents & Coaches

- 1 Appears dazed
- 2 Vacant facial expression
- 3 Confused about assignment
- 4 Forgets plays
- 5 Unsure of game situations
- 6 Moves clumsily uncoordinated
- 7 Answers questions slowly

- 8 Slurred speech
- 9 Shows behavior or personality changes
- 10 Can't recall events prior to hit
- 11 Can't recall events after hit
- 12 Seizures or convulsions
- 13 Change in typical behavior/personality
- 14 Loses consciousness

The student-athlete and one parent must sign the "Verfication Form" that accompanies this memo. The form should then be turned in to the Athletic Director. Thanks.

## **MAIS Concussion Policy & Verification:**

- An athlete who reports or displays any symptoms or signs of a concussion in a practice or game setting should be removed immediately from the practice or game. The athlete should not be allowed to return to the practice or game for the remainder of the day regardless of whether the athlete appears or states that he/she is normal.
- The athlete should be evaluated by a licensed, qualified medical professional working within their scope of practice as soon as can be practically arranged.
- If an athlete has sustained a concussion, the athlete should be referred to a licensed physician preferably one with experience in managing sports concussion injuries.
- The athlete who has been diagnosed with a concussion should be returned to play only after full recovery and clearance by a physician. Recovery from a concussion, regardless of loss on consciousness, usually takes 7-14 days after resolution of all symptoms.
- Return to play after a concussion should be gradual and follow a progressive return to competition. An
  athlete should not return to a competitive game before demonstrating that he/she has no symptoms in a
  fully supervised practice.
- Athletes should not continue to practice or return to play while still having symptoms of a concussion.
   Sustaining an impact to the head while recovering from a concussion may cause Second Impact Syndrome, a catastrophic neurological brain injury.

Remember, it is better to miss one game than to miss the whole season!!!

I have reviewed this information on concussions and am aware that a release by a medical doctor is required before a student may return to play under this policy.

Student-Athlete Name Printed	Student-Athlete Signature	Month	Day Year
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Parent Name Printed	Parent Signature	Month	Day Year

## Car Rider Permission Form

I,, am	the parent/legal guardian
of	
I hereby give my child permission to head coach, assistant coach, or some coach.	
I have discussed these arrangements driver in question beforehand.	with my child and the
I agree to not hold the coaches responsible my child is away.	onsible for anything that
I understand that my child leaving car from completing homework before p finishing homework late at night or r	oractice which could lead to
Parent Signature:	·
Date:	

# Northeast Baptist School Permission Form Medical Information and Waiver/Release

To be completed by parent or guardian for all sporting events when parent/guardian is not present.

My child,	has my pe	rmission to	participate in
(Student's Name)	_ during the 20	20	school year.
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(Printed Name)			
Emergency Contact Name & Pl	none #		
2nd Emergency Contact Name	& Phone #		



#### LHSAA MEDICAL HISTORY EVALUATION

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IMPORTANT: This form must be completed *annually*, kept on file with the school, and is subject to inspection by the Rules Compliance Team.

Please Print

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## LHSAA MEDICAL HISTORY EVALUATION Page 2 of 2

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Revised 5/23 This physical expires 13 months from the date it was signed and dated by the MD, DO, APRN or PA.