

LHSAA SUBSTANCE ABUSE/MISUSE CONTRACT AND CONSENT FORM

This form must be completed and signed and kept on file with the school and is subject to inspection by the LHSAA Rules Compliance Team.

As an LHSAA athlete, I, _____, agree to avoid the abuse or misuse of legal or illegal substances, including anabolic steroids and other performance enhancing drugs. I hereby grant permission to be tested for substance abuse/misuse as a participant in any LHSAA sports program. I furthermore agree to cooperate by providing a urine or hair specimen for testing upon the request of my principal. I understand that should my specimen indicate the abuse or misuse of legal or illegal substances, I will be subject to action specified in my School Drug Policy for Student Athletes.

I, _____, parent/guardian of the undersigned student athlete, individually, and on behalf of my child, do hereby grant permission for and consent to said child being tested for substance abuse/misuse in accordance with his/her School Drug Policy for Student Athletes and I understand that if any specimen taken from him/her indicates abuse or misuse of legal or illegal substances, including anabolic steroids and other performance enhancing drugs, he/she will be subject to action specified in the School Drug Policy for Student Athletes for his/her school.

Dated: _____

Student Athlete

Dated: _____

Parent/Guardian

Notes: Rule 1.10.2 of the LHSAA By-Laws, states that this contract shall remain in effect for the remainder of the student's eligibility. This means the contract only has to be signed once by both the student and his/her parent or guardian but the terms remain in effect for the student's entire high school career.

According to Rule 6.12.4 of the LHSAA By-Laws, without the signature of the student athlete and his/her parent/guardian, the student is ineligible to participate in interscholastic athletic contests at all levels of play in all LHSAA sports at all LHSAA schools until compliance with Rule 1.10.2 is obtained from both parties.

Any student participating in an interscholastic athletic contest(s) without a properly signed contract shall be classified as an ineligible student and both the student and school shall be penalized according to the LHSAA Penalty Code.

Signature of the LHSAA's contract does not necessarily mean the student athlete will be tested. Federal courts have consistently ruled participation in high school athletics is a privilege, not an educational right.