



# Sumter County Schools Athletic Forms



**Schools:**      **Americus Sumter High School**  
**Sumter County Middle School**

***Directions:*** The following forms must be completely filled out with all appropriate signatures in order to participate in any interscholastic sports/activities for the Sumter County School System.

- **Physical Form**
- **Athletic Permission Form**
- **Authorization to Release Medical Info**
- **Insurance Form (attach a copy of the insurance card)**
- **Heat and Humidity Form**
- **Concussion Awareness Form**
- **Sudden Cardiac Arrest Awareness Form**

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Current Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent's Phone Number:** **(H)** \_\_\_\_\_  
**(C)** \_\_\_\_\_  
**(W)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

## ■ PREPARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION

### HISTORY FORM

Note: Complete and sign this form (with your parents if younger than 18) before your appointment.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of examination: \_\_\_\_\_ Sport(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Sex assigned at birth (F, M, or intersex): \_\_\_\_\_ How do you identify your gender? (F, M, or other): \_\_\_\_\_

List past and current medical conditions. \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever had surgery? If yes, list all past surgical procedures. \_\_\_\_\_

Medicines and supplements: List all current prescriptions, over-the-counter medicines, and supplements (herbal and nutritional). \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any allergies? If yes, please list all your allergies (ie, medicines, pollens, food, stinging insects). \_\_\_\_\_

#### Patient Health Questionnaire Version 4 (PHQ-4)

Over the last 2 weeks, how often have you been bothered by any of the following problems? (check box next to appropriate number)

	Not at all	Several days	Over half the days	Nearly every day
Feeling nervous, anxious, or on edge	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
Not being able to stop or control worrying	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
Little interest or pleasure in doing things	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
Feeling down, depressed, or hopeless	<input type="checkbox"/> 0	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3

(A sum of  $\geq 3$  is considered positive on either subscale [questions 1 and 2, or questions 3 and 4] for screening purposes.)

GENERAL QUESTIONS (Explain "Yes" answers at the end of this form. Circle questions if you don't know the answer.)	Yes	No
1. Do you have any concerns that you would like to discuss with your provider?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Has a provider ever denied or restricted your participation in sports for any reason?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Do you have any ongoing medical issues or recent illness?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
HEART HEALTH QUESTIONS ABOUT YOU	Yes	No
4. Have you ever passed out or nearly passed out during or after exercise?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Have you ever had discomfort, pain, tightness, or pressure in your chest during exercise?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Does your heart ever race, flutter in your chest, or skip beats (irregular beats) during exercise?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Has a doctor ever told you that you have any heart problems?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Has a doctor ever requested a test for your heart? For example, electrocardiography (ECG) or echocardiography.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

HEART HEALTH QUESTIONS ABOUT YOU (CONTINUED)	Yes	No
9. Do you get light-headed or feel shorter of breath than your friends during exercise?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Have you ever had a seizure?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
HEART HEALTH QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR FAMILY	Yes	No
11. Has any family member or relative died of heart problems or had an unexpected or unexplained sudden death before age 35 years (including drowning or unexplained car crash)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Does anyone in your family have a genetic heart problem such as hypertrophic cardiomyopathy (HCM), Marfan syndrome, arrhythmogenic right ventricular cardiomyopathy (ARVC), long QT syndrome (LQTS), short QT syndrome (SQTS), Brugada syndrome, or catecholaminergic polymorphic ventricular tachycardia (CPVT)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. Has anyone in your family had a pacemaker or an implanted defibrillator before age 35?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

BONE AND JOINT QUESTIONS	Yes	No
14. Have you ever had a stress fracture or an injury to a bone, muscle, ligament, joint, or tendon that caused you to miss a practice or game?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. Do you have a bone, muscle, ligament, or joint injury that bothers you?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
MEDICAL QUESTIONS	Yes	No
16. Do you cough, wheeze, or have difficulty breathing during or after exercise?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. Are you missing a kidney, an eye, a testicle (males), your spleen, or any other organ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18. Do you have groin or testicle pain or a painful bulge or hernia in the groin area?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. Do you have any recurring skin rashes or rashes that come and go, including herpes or methicillin-resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (MRSA)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20. Have you had a concussion or head injury that caused confusion, a prolonged headache, or memory problems?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
21. Have you ever had numbness, had tingling, had weakness in your arms or legs, or been unable to move your arms or legs after being hit or falling?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
22. Have you ever become ill while exercising in the heat?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
23. Do you or does someone in your family have sickle cell trait or disease?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
24. Have you ever had or do you have any problems with your eyes or vision?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

MEDICAL QUESTIONS (CONTINUED)	Yes	No
25. Do you worry about your weight?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
26. Are you trying to or has anyone recommended that you gain or lose weight?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
27. Are you on a special diet or do you avoid certain types of foods or food groups?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
28. Have you ever had an eating disorder?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
FEMALES ONLY	Yes	No
29. Have you ever had a menstrual period?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
30. How old were you when you had your first menstrual period?		
31. When was your most recent menstrual period?		
32. How many periods have you had in the past 12 months?		

Explain "Yes" answers here.

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**I hereby state that, to the best of my knowledge, my answers to the questions on this form are complete and correct.**

Signature of athlete: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of parent or guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## ■ PREPARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION

### PHYSICAL EXAMINATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

#### PHYSICIAN REMINDERS

- Consider additional questions on more-sensitive issues.
  - Do you feel stressed out or under a lot of pressure?
  - Do you ever feel sad, hopeless, depressed, or anxious?
  - Do you feel safe at your home or residence?
  - Have you ever tried cigarettes, e-cigarettes, chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip?
  - During the past 30 days, did you use chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip?
  - Do you drink alcohol or use any other drugs?
  - Have you ever taken anabolic steroids or used any other performance-enhancing supplement?
  - Have you ever taken any supplements to help you gain or lose weight or improve your performance?
  - Do you wear a seat belt, use a helmet, and use condoms?
- Consider reviewing questions on cardiovascular symptoms (Q4–Q13 of History Form).

EXAMINATION		
Height: _____	Weight: _____	
BP: _____ / _____ ( _____ / _____ )	Pulse: _____	Vision: R 20/ _____ L 20/ _____ Corrected: <input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N
MEDICAL	NORMAL	ABNORMAL FINDINGS
Appearance • Marfan stigmata (kyphoscoliosis, high-arched palate, pectus excavatum, arachnodactyly, hyperlaxity, myopia, mitral valve prolapse [MVP], and aortic insufficiency)	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Eyes, ears, nose, and throat • Pupils equal • Hearing	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Lymph nodes	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Heart <sup>o</sup> • Murmurs (auscultation standing, auscultation supine, and ± Valsalva maneuver)	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Lungs	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Abdomen	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Skin • Herpes simplex virus (HSV), lesions suggestive of methicillin-resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (MRSA), or tinea corporis	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Neurological	<input type="checkbox"/>	
MUSCULOSKELETAL	NORMAL	ABNORMAL FINDINGS
Neck	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Back	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Shoulder and arm	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Elbow and forearm	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Wrist, hand, and fingers	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Hip and thigh	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Knee	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Leg and ankle	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Foot and toes	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Functional • Double-leg squat test, single-leg squat test, and box drop or step drop test	<input type="checkbox"/>	

<sup>o</sup> Consider electrocardiography (ECG), echocardiography, referral to a cardiologist for abnormal cardiac history or examination findings, or a combination of those.

Name of health care professional (print or type): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of health care professional: \_\_\_\_\_, MD, DO, NP, or PA

## ■ PREPARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION

### MEDICAL ELIGIBILITY FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Medically eligible for all sports without restriction

Medically eligible for all sports without restriction with recommendations for further evaluation or treatment of

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Medically eligible for certain sports

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Not medically eligible pending further evaluation

Not medically eligible for any sports

Recommendations: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I have examined the student named on this form and completed the preparticipation physical evaluation. The athlete does not have apparent clinical contraindications to practice and can participate in the sport(s) as outlined on this form. A copy of the physical examination findings are on record in my office and can be made available to the school at the request of the parents. If conditions arise after the athlete has been cleared for participation, the physician may rescind the medical eligibility until the problem is resolved and the potential consequences are completely explained to the athlete (and parents or guardians).

Name of health care professional (print or type): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of health care professional: \_\_\_\_\_, MD, DO, NP, or PA

### SHARED EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Medications: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Other information: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contacts: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

# Sumter County Schools

**Schools:** Americus-Sumter High School  
Sumter County Middle School

## Athletic Permission and Insurance Form

**Athlete's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Work #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Contact:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**I hereby give permission for my Son or Daughter to participate in the Athletic Program at Americus-Sumter High School/Sumter County Middle School. I understand that neither the Sumter County School System nor the Americus-Sumter High School /Sumter County Middle School carries liability or medical insurance which covers participation in the athletic program, nor may school funds be used for medical treatment for personal injuries sustained while practicing for, or playing, or otherwise participating in such programs or events, or while on trips in connection therewith. It is further understood that I will and do assume full responsibility for all medical treatment that the above named student may need or require for, such treatment.**

**I do hereby release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless, the Sumter County School System and Americus-Sumter High School /Sumter County Middle School, its agents, servants, and employees from and for all claims and losses on account of injuries, medical expenses and/or damages sustained by me or the above named student resulting from participation in the athletic program at Americus-Sumter High School /Sumter County Middle School.**

**I further certify that I have insurance, which provides medical coverage for the above named student. I also give permission for employee/ designees of Sumter County Schools to seek medical attention while he/she is participating in athletic activities. In addition, the local Emergency facility has permission to treat him/her for any illness or injury that occurs while participating in an Athletic event.**

**Name of Insurance:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Policy #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Policy Holder Social Security Last 4 #s:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

# Authorization To Release Medical Information

I, \_\_\_\_\_, being the parent/legal guardian of \_\_\_\_\_ and residing at \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby authorize and consent to having \_\_\_\_\_ athletic trainers and/or consulting physician(s) provide any requested medical information to other physicians, other healthcare providers, the high school coaches or school administration, intercollegiate teams, professional teams, their scouts, recruiters, or athletic trainers which directly pertains to such child's or ward's (collectively "child") athletic participation at \_\_\_\_\_. Said Authorization To Release Medical Information will include, but is not necessarily limited to information concerning illnesses, injuries, treatments, hospitalizations, examinations, X-rays, or other forms of diagnostic testing occurring while participating in competitive athletics at said school or athletic organization, or otherwise medically related to such child.

I understand that I may revoke this Authorization by providing written notice to \_\_\_\_\_. I also understand that if information has been released by relying upon this Authorization, that revocation will not be valid. I understand that injury treatment will not be conditioned upon signing this Authorization. I also understand that I am waiving my right to privacy with regard to the medical records and patient identifiable information by authorizing the release of my information.

I understand that the release of the medical information provided for herein is being carried out with my consent the parent or legal guardian of such child, and accordingly, I assume full responsibility for any action taken in reliance upon this Authorization.

**I UNDERSTAND THAT SUCH CHILD'S MEDICAL INFORMATION IS CONFIDENTIAL AND PROTECTED BY A PHYSICIAN-PATIENT PRIVILEGE AND THAT I, AS THE PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN OF SUCH CHILD, AM WAIVING THE PHYSICIAN-PATIENT PRIVILEGE TO THE FULL EXTENT PROVIDED FOR HEREIN AND AS ALLOWED BY LAW.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Print Name of Parent/Legal Guardian**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Student Athlete**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Print Name of Student Athlete**



## **GHSA Heat and Humidity Policy For ALL Sports**

The Georgia High School Association (GHSA) has established a Practice Policy for Heat and Humidity that provides guidelines for practices. This policy takes into account temperature, humidity and other environmental factors. Depending on conditions, practices may be unaffected, shortened or cancelled.

These guidelines are in a table below for your reference. The GHSA has also instituted Football Preseason Practice Regulations that dictate the number, length and dress for football practices. Those guidelines are also below:

**(All Sports)** must follow the statewide policy for conducting practices and voluntary conditioning workouts in all sports during times of extremely high heat and/or humidity that will be signed by each head coach at the beginning of each season and distributed to all players and their parents or guardians. The policy shall follow modified guidelines of the American College of Sports Medicine in regard to:

1. The scheduling of practices at various heat/humidity levels
2. The ratio of workout time to time allotted for rest and hydration at various heat/humidity levels
3. The heat/humidity level that will result in practice being terminated. A scientifically approved instrument that measures Wet Bulb Globe Temperature (WBGT) reading must be utilized at each practice to ensure that the written policy is being followed properly.

### **(Football Only Specifics) Preseason Practice Regulations**

Football may begin five consecutive weekdays prior to August 1st.

1. In the first five days of practice for any student, the practice shall not last longer than 2 hours, and the students shall not wear more than shorts, helmet, mouth piece, and shoes. (Note: the time for a session shall be measured from the time the players resort to the field until they leave the field.)
2. Beginning August 1st, any student may practice in full pads and may practice two times in single calendar day under the following stipulations
  - a. A student must have participated in five conditioning practices wearing shorts and helmet before being allowed to practice in full pads
  - b. If multiple workouts are held in a single day: i. No single session may last longer than 3 hours, ii. The total amount of time in the two practices shall not exceed 5 hours, iii. There must be at least a 3 –hour time of rest between session days must be followed by a single session day or a day off
  - c. These procedures are derived from recommendations created by the Inter - association task force for preseason secondary school athletics participants in the research paper -“Preseason Heat –Acclimatization Guidelines for Secondary School Athletics.”

This letter has been sent home so that parents and other guardians are aware of the steps being taken to protect our student-athletes when practicing in the heat and humidity. Any question should be directed to the head coach, athletic director, or athletic trainer.

**Please sign below to indicate that you have read and understand these policies.**

Players Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_ Parent\Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Updated Date: 01/2017



# Georgia High School Association Student/Parent Concussion Awareness Form

SCHOOL: Americus-Sumter High School

## DANGERS OF CONCUSSION

Concussions at all levels of sports have received a great deal of attention and a state law has been passed to address this issue. Adolescent athletes are particularly vulnerable to the effects of concussion. Once considered little more than a minor “ding” to the head, it is now understood that a concussion has the potential to result in death, or changes in brain function (either short-term or long-term). A concussion is a brain injury that results in a temporary disruption of normal brain function. A concussion occurs when the brain is violently rocked back and forth or twisted inside the skull as a result of a blow to the head or body. Continued participation in any sport following a concussion can lead to worsening concussion symptoms, as well as increased risk for further injury to the brain, and even death.

Player and parental education in this area is crucial – that is the reason for this document. Refer to it regularly. This form must be signed by a parent or guardian of each student who wishes to participate in GHSA athletics. One copy needs to be returned to the school, and one retained at home.

## COMMON SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF CONCUSSION

- Headache, dizziness, poor balance, moves clumsily, reduced energy level/tiredness
- Nausea or vomiting
- Blurred vision, sensitivity to light and sounds
- Fogginess of memory, difficulty concentrating, slowed thought processes, confused about surroundings or game assignments
- Unexplained changes in behavior and personality
- Loss of consciousness (NOTE: This does not occur in all concussion episodes.)

**BY-LAW 2.68: GHSA CONCUSSION POLICY:** In accordance with Georgia law and national playing rules published by the National Federation of State High School Associations, any athlete who exhibits signs, symptoms, or behaviors consistent with a concussion shall be immediately removed from the practice or contest and shall not return to play until an appropriate health care professional has determined that no concussion has occurred. (NOTE: An appropriate health care professional may include licensed physician (MD/DO) or another licensed individual under the supervision of a licensed physician, such as a nurse practitioner, physician assistant, or certified athletic trainer who has received training in concussion evaluation and management.)

a) No athlete is allowed to return to a game or a practice on the same day that a concussion (a) has been diagnosed, OR (b) cannot be ruled out.

b) Any athlete diagnosed with a concussion shall be cleared medically by an appropriate health care professional prior to resuming participation in any future practice or contest. The formulation of a gradual return to play protocol shall be a part of the medical clearance.

By signing this concussion form, I give Americus-Sumter High School permission to transfer this concussion form to the other sports that my child may play. I am aware of the dangers of concussion and this signed concussion form will represent myself and my child during the 2020-2021 school year. This form will be stored with the athletic physical form and other accompanying forms required by the Sumter County School System.

**I HAVE READ THIS FORM AND I UNDERSTAND THE FACTS PRESENTED IN IT.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Name (Printed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Name (Signed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Name (Printed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Name (Signed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# Georgia High School Association Student/Parent Sudden Cardiac Arrest Awareness Form

SCHOOL: Americus-Sumter High School

## 1: Learn the Early Warning Signs

If you or your child has had one or more of these signs, see your primary care physician:

- Fainting suddenly and without warning, especially during exercise or in response to loud sounds like doorbells, alarm clocks or ringing phones
- Unusual chest pain or shortness of breath during exercise
- Family members who had sudden, unexplained and unexpected death before age 50
- Family members who have been diagnosed with a condition that can cause sudden cardiac death, such as hypertrophic cardiomyopathy (HCM) or Long QT syndrome
- A seizure suddenly and without warning, especially during exercise or in response to loud sounds like doorbells, alarm clocks or ringing phones

## 2: Learn to Recognize Sudden Cardiac Arrest

If you see someone collapse, assume he has experienced sudden cardiac arrest and respond quickly. This victim will be unresponsive, gasping or not breathing normally, and may have some jerking (Seizure like activity). Send for help and start CPR. You cannot hurt him.

## 3: Learn Hands-Only CPR

Effective CPR saves lives by circulating blood to the brain and other vital organs until rescue teams arrive. It is one of the most important life skills you can learn – and it's easier than ever.

- Call 911 (or ask bystanders to call 911 and get an AED)
- Push hard and fast in the center of the chest. Kneel at the victim's side, place your hands on the lower half of the breastbone, one on top of the other, elbows straight and locked. Push down 2 inches, then up 2 inches, at a rate of 100 times/minute, to the beat of the song "Stayin' Alive."
- If an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) is available, open it and follow the voice prompts. It will lead you step-by-step through the process, and will never shock a victim that does not need a shock.

By signing this sudden cardiac arrest form, I give Americus-Sumter High School permission to transfer this sudden cardiac arrest form to the other sports that my child may play. I am aware of the dangers of sudden cardiac arrest and this signed sudden cardiac arrest form will represent myself and my child during the 2020-2021 school year. This form will be stored with the athletic physical form and other accompanying forms required by the Sumter County School System.

**I HAVE READ THIS FORM AND I UNDERSTAND THE FACTS PRESENTED IN IT.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Name (Printed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Name (Signed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Name (Printed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Name (Signed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

(Revised: 2/20)