

TO: All member school principals and athletic administrators

FROM: Deborah B. Moore, Associate Commissioner

The purpose of this message is to remind you that the Preparticipation Physical Evaluation (PPE) form is updated and available for your use at this link <http://www.ohsaa.org/medicine/PPE.pdf>. There have been no changes to the first two pages, which contain the medical examiner's portion of the evaluation. Please remember that in accordance with Ohio law and as stipulated on the signature line, any of the following medical examiners may perform the evaluation: a medical doctor (M.D.), a doctor of osteopathy (D.O), a doctor of chiropractic (D.C), a physician's assistant (P.A.) or an advanced nurse practitioner (A.N.P).

The third page is the required HIPAA consent form that the parent and student must sign one time only during that student's attendance at your school, and the fourth page is the OHSAA's consent to participate form which must be signed annually by both parent and student.

I would like to call your attention to the following statement on page 4 of the consent form: *To enable the OHSAA to determine whether the herein named student is eligible to participate in interscholastic athletics in an OHSAA member school, I consent to the release to the OHSAA any and all portions of school record files, beginning with seventh grade, of the herein named student, specifically including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, birth and age records, name and residence address of parent(s) or guardian(s), residence address of the student, academic work completed, grades received and attendance data.* We would like to remind you that this consent statement requires the school to submit these documents to the OHSAA upon request when it is necessary to make a determination about a student's eligibility. It is not necessary to secure any further consent from the parents or the student, if age 18, as this statement is sufficient.

Please remind parents to carefully read all the items on the consent form, as they are important to insuring a positive experience for the student. Please contact us if you have any questions, and remember that the PPE is valid for one calendar year except for those evaluations that take place from May 1-June 1, which are valid for one year plus through the end of the next school year.