

Attention Parents:

POSITION STATEMENT ON YOUTH SPORT CONCUSSION LAW

On May 14th, 2010, Governor Brad Henry signed into law Oklahoma Statute 25 -155 of Title 70, formerly known as SB 1700. This bill was proposed and passed in response to the increasing numbers of our student athletes, an estimated 1.4 million in the U.S., who sustain concussion and head injuries while participating in athletics.

The law provides that "a youth athlete who is suspected of sustaining a concussion or head injury during a practice or game shall be removed from participation." The law goes on to state that "a youth athlete who has been removed from participation...may not participate until... evaluated by a licensed health care professional trained in the evaluation and management of concussion and receives written clearance to return to participation from that health care provider." With early recognition, diagnosis and proper treatment, these student-athletes can return to play with a lesser chance of suffering a second catastrophic head injury.

Concussion and Head Injury Acknowledgement Maple Public School

In compliance with Oklahoma Statute Section 25-155 of Title 70, this acknowledgement form is to confirm that you have read and understand the CONCUSSION FACT SHEET provided to you by Maple Public Schools related to potential concussions and head injuries occurring during participation in athletic programs and understand the content and warnings.

Signature of Student-Athlete _____

Date _____

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian _____

Date _____