

## 2019 - WRITTEN PERMISSION FOR PARTICIPATION IN SCHOOL SPORTS AND ASSOCIATED TRANSPORT

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Throughout the school year, parents/guardians receive many different letters from the school that often require reading, signing and returning to the school to allow their child to participate in aspects of the School Sports Program, that may include transport to and from a number of off-campus venues, used for the conduct of sports activities.

In an effort to reduce the amount of paperwork and processing time, a major revision has come into effect. You (parents/guardians) will be asked to sign a letter of permission to allow for the participation of your son/daughter in the sports activities that will be held throughout the year as a part of the schedule of activities that occur during the course of the normal school day. This will include the majority of activities conducted as part of the Health & Physical Education curriculum; the Homestead Carnivals in Swimming, Cross-Country and Track & Field and the majority of activities conducted as part of the regular weekly afternoon School Sports Program.

For all these activities, you are asked to sign a 'once-off' form that will give permission to allow for the participation of your child in sports activities for the year and transport to same. You will still be informed as to which activities your child is involved in and for many activities there will be parent/guardian discussion before student choice. The purpose of this new approach is to significantly reduce the number of forms that your son/daughter bring home for signing. There will still be full and regular communication with you as to the schedule and nature of activities being conducted.

Activities that involve contact sport (such as a number of the Football codes), plus activities with an assigned 'High Risk' Rating (from Education Queensland) and also any participation by your child in tournaments that involve overnight accommodation and/or significant involvement in out of school time, will still require specific and signed permission forms.

In the majority of circumstances for the School Sports Program, transport is by bus. Venues include other high schools, community and Council sports grounds and stadiums, swimming pools, and athletics tracks. In some cases, maxi-taxis will be required rather than a bus. For venues close to school (for example; Sir Bruce Small Park, the Environmental Park, Benowa Road Netball Courts, Ice Skating, etc.) students will walk (under teacher supervision) to and from the venues.

Please complete the attached form and return it to school ASAP. Every student is required to return this signed form irrespective of their planned involvement in the School Sports Program for 2019.

If you have any questions or concerns in regard to this correspondence please contact me at school on (07) 5582 7385.

Yours sincerely,



Dave Thomson  
Director of Sport



Ian Hutchison  
Head of Department (acting)



Mark Rickard  
Executive Principal

## 2019 - SCHOOL SPORTS PROGRAM PARTICIPATION AND TRANSPORT CONSENT CONFIRMATION

1. I have read the "Written Permission for Participation in School Sport and Associated Transport" letter in regards to the participation of my child in the School Sports Program during the normal school hours of operation and transport of them during this time to off- campus venues.
2. I understand I have an on-going opportunity to ask questions relating to any activity or excursion involving my child.
3. I accept that it is my responsibility to keep the school informed of any changes to my child's circumstances which could impact on his/her well-being, or capacity to participate in any aspects of the School Sports Program.
4. I hereby give permission for the involvement of my son/daughter in the School Sports Program held during the normal school hours of operation. This includes the Health & Physical Education curricula, Homestead Sports Carnivals, and Sport afternoon Inter & Intra School Sports activities.
5. I hereby give permission for the transport of my son/daughter to and from off-campus venues for the conduct of the School Sports Program. I understand the modes of transport may include bus, taxi, maxi-taxi or walking with teacher supervision.
6. I understand that separate Consent Forms and Medical Update Forms will be requested for activities designated as 'High Risk', for contact sports, and for camps and tournaments involving overnight accommodation and/or significant time outside of normal school hours of operation.
7. I understand I will be fully informed as to the schedule and nature of activities involved in the School Sports Program and the choices of activity open to my son/daughter.
8. I acknowledge that the Department of Education, Training and the Arts does not have Personal Accident Insurance Cover for students.

Parent's/Guardian's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please print name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact phone number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Student's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Year / Class: \_\_\_\_\_