

AMATEURISM AFFIRMATION FORM

Roster Compliance Package | Athlete & Parent Must Sign — Required Annually

NFMSS is an education-based athletic governing body. Maintaining amateur status protects the athlete's eligibility and preserves the integrity of middle school sport.

WHAT IS AMATEURISM & WHY DOES IT MATTER?

An amateur athlete is one who participates in sport for the educational, physical, mental, and social benefits of athletic competition — not for financial gain or professional compensation. NFMSS, aligned with NFHS principles, requires that all athletes participating in member school programs maintain amateur status in each sport in which they compete. Accepting payment, compensation, or improper benefits can render an athlete ineligible for interscholastic competition. This form confirms the athlete's current amateur standing and discloses any activities that may affect eligibility.

SECTION 1 — ATHLETE INFORMATION

Last Name:	_____	First Name:	_____	Grade	_____
Date of Birth:	_____				
Sport(s):	_____				

SECTION 2 — PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES THAT AFFECT ELIGIBILITY

The following activities are prohibited under NFMSS amateurism standards. Check YES or NO for each. If YES, provide full details in Section 3.

Compensation for Sport	Has the athlete received any payment, salary, or compensation for participating in, coaching, or officiating any sport?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Prize Money	Has the athlete accepted prize money or cash awards based on athletic performance in any sport?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Professional Contract	Has the athlete signed or been offered a contract with any professional sports organization, agent, or scout?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Athletic Endorsement	Has the athlete agreed to endorse or advertise any product or service based on their athletic ability or fame?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Capitalizing on Athletic Fame	Has the athlete accepted money, gifts, or benefits of more than nominal value in exchange for appearances, autographs, or media participation related to athletic ability?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
NIL / Name, Image & Likeness	Has the athlete entered into any NIL (Name, Image & Likeness) agreement, monetized social media account, or commercial partnership related to sport?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

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Improper Benefits	Has the athlete or their family received gifts, loans, transportation, lodging, meals, or other benefits from a coach, booster, or school representative beyond what is permissible?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Playing Under an Assumed Name	Has the athlete participated in any athletic contest under an assumed name or falsified identity?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

SECTION 3 — PERMISSIBLE ACTIVITIES (Do NOT affect eligibility)

- ✓ Participating in a non-school club or travel team during the off-season (see Club Status Affirmation form).
- ✓ Receiving a legitimate academic scholarship or award not based on athletic participation.
- ✓ Working a part-time job unrelated to athletic ability.
- ✓ Accepting awards of nominal value (trophies, plaques, medals) from an NFMSS-sanctioned event.
- ✓ Receiving coaching, instruction, or training that is available to the general public at normal rates.

SECTION 4 — DISCLOSURE OF YES RESPONSES

If you answered YES to any item in Section 2, provide full details below. NFMSS compliance staff will review and make an eligibility determination. Failure to disclose is a violation of NFMSS policy and may result in suspension.

SECTION 5 — AFFIRMATION & SIGNATURES

We, the undersigned athlete and parent/guardian, affirm under penalty of ineligibility that: (1) all information provided on this form is true, complete, and accurate; (2) the athlete currently holds amateur status in all sports listed above; (3) we understand that misrepresentation of amateur status is a violation of NFMSS policy and may result in immediate suspension of the athlete and potential forfeiture of contests in which an ineligible athlete participated; and (4) we agree to immediately notify the Athletic Director if the athlete's amateur status changes at any time during the school year.

Athlete Signature:	_____	Date:	_____
Parent/Guardian Signature:	_____	Date:	_____
Printed Name of Parent:	_____	Relationship:	_____

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Athletic Director _____
Signature: _____

Date _____
Received: _____

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: ■ No YES responses — Immediately eligible ■ YES responses disclosed — Pending review ■ Ineligible — See compliance file