

**SMWS Athletics**  
**Warning to Students and Parents**

SERIOUS, CATASTROPHIC, AND PERHAPS FATAL INJURY MAY RESULT FROM  
ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION.

By its very nature, competitive athletics may put students in situations in which SERIOUS, CATASTROPHIC, and perhaps, FATAL ACCIDENTS may occur.

Many forms of athletic competition result in violent physical contact among players, the use of equipment which may result in accidents, strenuous physical exertion, and numerous other exposures to risk of injury.

Students and parents must assess the risks involved in such participation and make their choice to participate in spite of those risks. No amount of instruction, precaution, or supervision will totally eliminate all risk of injury. Just as driving an automobile involves choice of risk, athletic participation by students also may be inherently dangerous. The obligation of parents and students in making this choice to participate cannot be over-stated. There have been accidents resulting in death, paraplegia, quadriplegia, and other very serious permanent physical impairment as a result of athletic competition.

By granting permission for your student to participate in athletic competition, you, the parent or guardian, acknowledge that such risk exists.

By choosing to participate, you, the student, acknowledge that such risk exists.

Students will be instructed in proper techniques to be used in athletic competition and in the proper use of all equipment worn or used in practice and competition. Students must adhere to that instruction and must refrain from improper uses and techniques.

As previously stated, no amount of instruction, precaution, and supervision will totally eliminate all risk of serious, catastrophic, or even fatal injury.

If any of the foregoing is not completely understood, please contact the Athletic Director for further information.

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Sport(s) \_\_\_\_\_

My signature acknowledges that I have read and understand the material contained above, and accept all risks and responsibilities. \_\_\_\_\_  
Furthermore, I hereby release Shining Mountain Waldorf School from all liability for any injuries sustained as a member of a Shining Mountain team. \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Legal Guardian

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Student