

**Appendix I**  
**Official Interpretations of the State Executive Committee**

**16-03-22 Section 1102 (f) – Region Executive Committee:**

The State Executive Committee shall appoint in each region an executive committee composed of seven school administrators. Those administrators eligible for appointment to the region executive committees are superintendents, associate or assistant superintendents, and high school principals. The selection of members shall reflect sensitivity to ethnicity and gender. These members shall serve three-year overlapping terms. Each committee shall elect its own chair who shall serve a one-year term on continue in office until a successor has been appointed. The chair may be re-elected.

**16-01-11 Section 465 (b) (3) (A) and Section 468 (a) (3) (A)– Foreign Exchange Students and J-1 Visa:**

In cases where a foreign exchange student is unable to obtain a J-1 visa because such a visa is not legally available or is not required of the student in order for them to travel to the United States to participate in an education program a waiver could be granted as long as the foreign exchange student is able to provide sufficient evidence to show they do not qualify for a J-1 visa; provide a copy of the passport or other travel documents (visa) the student intends to rely on when traveling to and entering the United States and meets all the other applicable waiver criteria.

**15-08-19 Sections 400, 406 and 407 - Students affiliated with two schools:**

In circumstances where under local district policy a student is permitted to be affiliated, either by enrollment or attendance, with two or more schools within the same school district, for the purposes of participation in UIL contests, one of the school's shall be designated as the student's 'school of participation'. A student's "home school" or any school of choice (as long as choice was made at the first opportunity) that offers UIL activities may be designated as that student's 'school of participation'. (A student's "home school" is a school that the student is required to attend under local district policy, typically based on parents' resident.)

In the circumstances described above, a student may represent a "school of participation" in UIL contests under the following conditions:

- (a) The hours that the student is enrolled in classes offered by the district at two or more schools are in total sufficient for the student to be considered a full time student. Full time is defined as enrolled in at least four hours per day of instruction for either state or local credit. See Section 403 of the *UIL Constitution and Contest Rules*.
- (b) Student must comply with the regular attendance rule at "school of participation". See Section 404, *UIL Constitution and Contest Rules*.
- (c) Student's age must be verified and the student must comply with the 4-year rule and all other UIL eligibility requirements. See Subchapter M, Eligibility, *UIL Constitution and Contest Rules*.
- (d) Student may only represent one school as "school of participation". The school must approve of the student's participation and the student is under the jurisdiction of the school of participation principal for UIL purposes.
- (e) Any changes in the student's "school of participation" are to be processed and reviewed under the *UIL Constitution and Contest Rules* as would any other student who changes schools.
- (f) Student's grades are reported by all schools attended by the student to the student's "school of participation" during that schools scheduled grading periods to ensure compliance with no pass/no play law.

**10-05-26 Section 441 – Athletic Amateur Rule:**

Previous State Executive Committee Interpretations for Section 441 are no longer applicable since the rule has been modified.

**10-03-12 Section 400 (b) 403 and 440**

For the purposes of this interpretation, the divisions of UIL activities are: Academics (includes One-Act-Play), Music and Athletics.

Local school district policies may permit students who are attending a magnet school located on a campus (within their ISD) that does not offer any activities within a particular division of UIL activities (Academics (including One Act Play), Music or Athletics) to participate at their home attendance zone campus, in that division, under the jurisdiction of that principal for UIL purposes with the following provisions:

- (a) The home attendance zone campus approves of the student's participation.
- (b) Student is enrolled in enough classes to be considered a full time student at the magnet school. Full time is defined as enrolled in at least four hours per day of instruction for either state or local high school credit.
- (c) Student's grades are reported from the magnet school officials to the home attendance zone campus at scheduled grading periods to insure compliance with no-pass, no-play.
- (d) Verification that the student complies with the age rule, 4-year rule (for high school students) and other pertinent information requested by the home attendance zone campus principal would also have to be provided.
- (e) High school students who participate in varsity athletics must comply with University Interscholastic League rules, sections 440 and 442 in the home attendance zone campus.
- (f) A student in this situation is prohibited from representing both the magnet school and the home attendance zone campus in the same division of UIL activities.
- (g) If the magnet school offers a division of UIL activities, the student would have to represent the magnet school in that division of UIL activities.
- (h) If the magnet school does not offer a division of UIL activities, the student could petition to represent their home attendance zone campus in that division of UIL activities.
- (i) It would be allowable to have a student represent their magnet school (school of attendance) in one division of UIL activities and their home attendance zone campus (school of parents residence) in a division of UIL activities not offered at the magnet school.
- (j) If the student subsequently changes schools within that ISD (to a school other than the home attendance zone campus), the student would be ineligible for varsity athletics for one calendar year unless the parents made a corresponding move to the new school attendance zone.

**09-03-04 Section 1202 (b) – Employment of Coaches:**

Compensation (not included as part of the coach's salary at the beginning of the school year) for progress past the district level of competition is considered pay for success in the UIL competitive activity and a violation of Section 1202. Advancement beyond the first level of competition is one of the goals of any UIL activity and is a desired expectation of the salary and stipend set by the board of trustees prior to the school year.

**08-09-03 Section 1478 (b) (5) – Eligibility Requirements for Seventh and Eighth Grade Participants:**

Students attending a public K-8 ISD that does not field a team and does not have a designated receiving school district as indicated in Section 1478 (b) (5), may participate on the seventh and eighth grade baseball, basketball, football, soccer, softball and/or volleyball teams at the junior high school with geographical boundaries contiguous to his/her K-8 ISD; or the junior high school located nearest his/her residence.

The student would be considered a full time student for eligibility purposes at the school he/she selects at his/her first opportunity. Should the student subsequently decide to represent another school under these guidelines without enrolling in the new school, he/she would be ineligible to participate at that new school.

**08-09-10 (b) Sections 5 (u), 13 (b) and 400 (b) – Magnet Schools:**

When separate magnet schools are located together, the ISD shall designate one of the following

configurations for UIL varsity participation.

- (a) All components create one participant high school, and one membership fee is due for that school. Students enrolled in any of the magnet schools located at the center may represent that participant high school in UIL activities; or
- (b) Each magnet school within the center is considered a separate participant high school and must pay a separate UIL membership fee. Students enrolled in a magnet school may represent only that magnet school in UIL activities.

**07-04-18 Sections 400 (g) and 405 (a) – Enrollment in Ninth Grade:**

Based on Section 5 (l), a student is considered to be enrolled in the ninth grade the day of that student's registration and attendance in a full class period at the ninth grade level.

**05-09-01 (a) Section 409 (a) – Promotion:**

When parents or guardians are successful in convincing school officials to allow their child to repeat the seventh or eighth grade, academic promotion is effectively withdrawn and the student is ineligible for the first six weeks because he is repeating the grade. If the student passes all courses for the first six weeks, academic eligibility may be regained seven calendar days later.

**05-09-01 (b) Section 1340 (b) (2) – Boys', Girls' Restriction:**

This rule clearly addresses students and does not prohibit a coach from providing instruction to a student of the opposite gender.

**05-08-03 Sections 1033 and 1202 – Employment of Coaches:**

Full time employees must comply with the following standards in order to serve as a high school (grades 9-12) athletic coach or a high school one-act play director.

TRS Minimum Employment Eligibility Standards cited below are used to define full-time (but the employee does not have to actually qualify for TRS):

- (a) A minimum of one-half of the time required of the standard workload (minimum of 15 hours per week for non-certified and 20 hours per week for certified employees); and
- (b) Earning a salary comparable to one-half the salary earned by a full-time employee in a similar position; and
- (c) For UIL: is under contract to the school board for the whole scholastic or calendar year for coaching or directing stipend (or contract could be contingent on district's ability to hire a full time qualified instructor.)

Exception: School boards may hire individuals to coach who are not teachers and whose regular duties do not qualify them for a contract with the school district, provided: their employment conditions satisfy (a) and (b) cited above; their rate of pay for the school year is determined by the board before they begin coaching; they are informed by the person approving them for hire that they are not eligible to receive a bonus or any part of their coaching salary from any source (including booster clubs) other than the school district; they complete and sign a UIL Professional Acknowledgement Form.

UIL rules do not govern cheer or drill sponsors - those decisions are left with the local school district.

**01-09-18 (a) Sections 353 and 440 – Optional Attendance Zone:**

A school board may create an optional attendance zone to facilitate the opening of a new high school by adopting the following language: Students who participate in extracurricular activities who will not have the opportunity to compete for varsity district honors at the new high school have the option to attend the high school they would have attended if the new school had not been created or to attend the new school. The student would be eligible at the school they first select. If the student subsequently changes to another school within that district they are not eligible for varsity athletic competition until they have been enrolled in and regularly attended that school for at least

the previous year.

**01-09-18 (b) Section 409 (a) – Promotion:**

Promotion means that a student has been academically promoted from the previous grade level by officials in an accredited public or private school. Students who enroll in a UIL participant school from home school or an unaccredited private school become academically eligible seven calendar days after the first grading evaluation period in which they have passed all courses.

**00-09-13 Sections 400 (b) and 440 (b) – Student Transfers:**

When a student transfers from their home attendance zone campus district to a public high school in another school district to enroll in a magnet program, the student may not be eligible for varsity athletics at a high school other than the home attendance zone campus. The policy that addresses returning to the home attendance zone campus to participate follows:

When a student transfers out of the district to a public high school that does not participate in athletics:

- (a) The student may petition administration of his home attendance zone campus (school zone where his parents reside) to represent the home attendance zone campus in athletics.
- (b) Student's grades must be reported from magnet high school officials to the home attendance zone campus to ensure compliance with no-pass, no-play.
- (c) Verification that the student complies with the full-time student status, age rule, four-year rule and other UIL eligibility rules and all other pertinent information requested by home attendance zone campus principal would also have to be provided by magnet school principal.
- (d) Student is under the jurisdiction of the home attendance zone campus principal for all UIL purposes. It is important to note that the student would also have to represent home attendance zone campus high school in UIL fine arts and academic competition. A student in this situation is prohibited from representing more than one high school.

Students in this situation would be able to represent the school they attend in any sub-varsity athletic activities.

**00-08-03 Section 403 (a) – Local Eligibility Rules:**

School districts with board policies that lock all four years of eligibility for ninth grade students from a 7-8-9 campus into the high school they first represent causes those students to be eligible only at that high school. In the event the school board changes it policy and the student wishes to return to the high school where the parents reside, loss of varsity athletic eligibility for at least one calendar year would occur. Local school district policies could cause a student under these circumstances to be ineligible for more than one calendar year.

**99-04-20 Section 400 (b) – Charter Schools:**

- (a) Students whose parents live within the boundaries of an independent school district where a charter high school is located and opt to attend the charter high school at their first opportunity to select a high school, are eligible according to this section.
- (b) Students whose parents live within the independent school district where the charter school is located, who do not select the charter high school at their first opportunity, are ineligible for varsity athletic competition unless they have been enrolled in and regularly attending the charter high school for at least the previous calendar year.
- (c) Students whose parents reside outside the boundaries of the independent school district where the charter school is located are ineligible for varsity athletic competition unless they have been enrolled in and regularly attending the charter school for at least the previous calendar year.

**95-11-09 Section 400 (c) – Attendance:**

Section 400 (c) would allow a student to be considered in regular attendance at the participant high school even though the hospitalized student has been transferred to another school's home bound program provided: the student's class work assignments are determined by the home attendance

zone campus; the hospitalized student never attends a class held in a regular classroom of the home bound ISD; the student's physician certifies that he/she may return to the home attendance zone campus and is able to participate; the student's grades are transferred back to the home attendance zone campus with him/her.

**88-11-03 Section 442 – Boarding Facilities:**

Section 442 (b) applies if at least one of a student's parents is alive. Students who are placed by their parent(s) or guardian(s) in a home licensed by the state as a child care boarding facility are eligible for athletic competition after one calendar year, even though they are transferred from one boarding facility campus to another boarding facility campus, provided the home licensed by the state was appointed as their guardian by appropriate authority more than one year ago.

## Appendix II

### Who to Call

Most questions and interpretations concerning extracurricular activities are covered in the *Constitution and Contest Rules* or in the manuals for the individual activities. Questions for which answers are not complete or not found in the above sources should be referred to the local school administrator in charge of the various programs. Questions that cannot be resolved at the local level should be directed to specific officials in the League office, at phone number 512-471-5883 — or for theatre only, 471-9996 or 471-4517.

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Staff to Call</b>		
Contest Rules and Eligibility			
Academics - High School	David Stevens		
	Jeanne Acton (Journalism)	Jana	Riggins
(Speech & Debate)			
Academics - A+ Program	David Trussell		
One-Act Play & Theatre	Luis Muñoz		
Music	Brad Kent		
Athletics - High School & Junior High	Susan Elza	Darryl Beasley	
	Traci Neely	Brian Polk	
<i>Leaguer</i> Content	Jeanne Acton		
Policy	Leo Barnes	Kevin Jones	
Public Information	Kim Carmichael		
Trophies & Medals	Jason Castillo		
Orders/Invoices for Materials	Brenda Cerda		
Business Office General Questions	Brenda Cerda		
Assignment of Officials			
UIL In-service Presentations	Charles Breithaupt	Susan Doherty	
TEA Related Questions	Jamey Harrison		
Waivers	Eddie Wolski		
Rule Compliance/Violations	Mark Cousins		

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UIL Web Address:	<a href="http://www.uiltexas.org">www.uiltexas.org</a>

### **Appendix III**

#### **Interscholastic League Press Conference**

- (a) **PURPOSE.** The purpose of the Interscholastic League Press Conference (ILPC) is to assist advisers and staffs in the production of journalistically sound Texas high school and junior high/middle school media. The program is sponsored by the University Interscholastic League.
- (b) **MEMBERSHIP.** Any high school or junior high school is eligible for membership in ILPC. A general membership mailing is sent to all UIL member schools and others in late August. Deadline for enrollment in ILPC is December 1. All inquiries and requests for enrollment must be made to the Director of Journalism, UIL, Box 8028, Austin, Texas 78713; e-mail to: [jacton@uiltexas.org](mailto:jacton@uiltexas.org).
- (c) **DIRECTION.** ILPC is supervised by the UIL Director of Journalism who consults with the Texas Association of Journalism Educators, The University of Texas at Austin Department of Journalism and the Texas Education Agency.
- (d) **FEES.** Enrollment in ILPC requires a membership fee per publication/program to defray the expense of providing special services. The fee must be paid at the time of enrollment. Payment of ILPC membership dues is separate from the school's UIL membership fees.
- (e) **SPECIAL SERVICES.** ILPC offers its members several services aimed at improving scholastic journalism in Texas. Specially prepared books, pamphlets and other materials providing suggestions, instruction and information on a variety of journalistic topics are available to ILPC members.
- (f) **RATINGS.** ILPC sponsors yearbook, newspaper and broadcast critique/rating competition for its members. All publications are critiqued/rated by qualified scholastic journalists. ILPC champions represent the finest in American scholastic journalism.
  - (1) *Ratings.* Staffs must be ILPC members in order to submit materials for rating. Staffs must submit the publication or broadcast and other necessary paperwork to the ILPC office by individual deadlines.
  - (2) *Rating Categories.* Certificates of rating are issued in four degrees:
    - (A) Award of Distinguished Merit to the outstanding publication/program in each class.
    - (B) Award of Achievement to outstanding publication/program which fall short of the first degree of excellence.
    - (C) Award of Honor to publications/programs of high caliber which have shown continued excellence throughout the year.
    - (D) Award of Merit to publications/programs which have made contributions to the school for which they were published by maintaining a basic level of journalistic quality.Ratings or rating certificates will not be given to members failing to submit their publications for rating.
  - (3) *Star Awards.* Judges are asked to nominate the most outstanding yearbooks or newspapers for either a Gold Star, Silver Star or Bronze Star Award, which represent approximately the top 10% of publications in the state. These awards are presented during the ILPC state convention.
- (g) **INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS (IAA) CONTEST.** A contest is sponsored each spring for individual work published in ILPC member publications.
- (h) **DIVISIONS.** In the newspaper and yearbook competitions, students compete in nine divisions, according to school enrollment and conference. Individual gold (first), silver (second) and bronze (third) medals are awarded in each enrollment division. Division winners in newspaper

- and yearbook then compete for a “Tops in Texas” medal. Contest information will be provided to ILPC members at least six weeks prior to the contest deadline. Entries submitted become the property of ILPC. They will not be returned and may be used for UIL or ILPC publications.
- (i) STATE CONVENTION. The annual ILPC state convention will be held in Austin on the campus of The University of Texas. The convention program is arranged to include workshops, seminars and instructional sessions dealing with all aspects of scholastic journalism and general publications improvement. Convention participation is open to ILPC members, as well as to other school newspaper, broadcast and yearbook staffs and non-ILPC members. All delegates are responsible for their own transportation to Austin, lodging, meals and other expenses. ILPC ratings, IAA contest winners and other special awards are announced during the convention.
  - (j) SUMMER WORKSHOP. The ILPC summer workshops are held each June on the campus of The University of Texas at Austin. The purpose of the workshop is to teach journalistic basics by which the publications will be judged the following year. A general workshop flier will be mailed and/or emailed to all ILPC member schools no less than two months prior to the workshop. Deadline for registration is June 1. For complete workshop information, contact the ILPC Director.
  - (k) ILPC DEADLINES
    - (1) *December 1.* Deadline for ILPC enrollment.
    - (2) *December 1.* Yearbooks for rating must be received by ILPC unless an extension request is filed with the ILPC office.
    - (3) *December 1.* Last day for receipt of ILPC individual achievement award (IAA) entries for yearbooks.
    - (4) *February 1.* Last day for receipt of newspapers for rating.
    - (5) *February 1.* Last day for receipt of ILPC individual achievement award (IAA) entries for newspapers.
    - (6) *March 1.* Last day for receipt of Edith Fox King and Max Haddick adviser award nominations.
    - (7) *April.* ILPC State Convention.
    - (8) *June 1.* Deadline for receipt of publications workshop enrollment without penalty.
    - (9) *June.* ILPC Summer Publications Workshop.



## Appendix IV

### 2016-2017 Rule Changes

All amendments are effective for the 2016-2017 school year, unless otherwise noted.

#### Constitution

- *Section 1-15* – Amended language offering clarity within the rules and incorporated general practice of the UIL.
- *Section 21* – Amended language clarifying the responsibilities of the Superintendent or Chief Administrator of member schools.
- *Section 22* – Amends all references of UIL Director to UIL Executive Director.
- *Section 23* – Removed unnecessary language and made grammatical edits pertaining to binding actions.
- *Section 24 (a)* – Amended language pertaining to UIL officers.
- *Section 25* – Clarified Legislative Councils authority to call emergency meetings, the chairs authority to appoint advisory committees and added provisions concerning the Medical Advisory Committee. (i) Amended the language regarding existing standing committees setting out their composition and responsibilities.
- *Section 26* – Clarified language to better reflect the jurisdiction of the State Executive Committee (SEC).
- *Section 27* – Created general guidelines for student, participant or UIL member schools and school district personnel violations of UIL rules.
- *Section 28* – Created policy governing appeals for inclusion in the District Executive Committee (DEC) Handbook Added clarifying language regarding the DEC hearing process, voting on cases and scope of investigations as well as adding subsection (m) regarding financial reporting
- *Section 29* – Amends penalties the District Executive Committee can impose.
- *Section 30* – Amended the financial reporting requirement made by Regional Executive Committees and Regional Directors to include a financial report.
- *Section 100* – Created language including the Sports Officials Committee as a body that can hear appeals along with clarifying the role of legal counsel in UIL hearings and other procedural points.
- *Section 150* – Amended language explicitly making student eligibility cases appealable to the State Executive Committee and the standard of review to be employed to SEC appeals.
- *Section 303* – Cleaned up language regarding publication of proposed rules and made the online Constitution and Contest Rules the official version of the rules.
- *Section 360-361* – Clarifies the current rule regarding non-discrimination in UIL contests and declares a student's birth certificate is to be used when determining gender.
- *Section 400-440* – Reorganized and edited portions of these sections creating better organization and flow.
- *Section 403* – Amends the start date of the one year consecutive enrollment exception for students entering UIL member open enrollment charter schools who are on a waitlist.

- *Section 406* – Amends the Full Time Day Student rule to identify intra-district participation opportunities for students attending non disciplinary ‘alternative’ (magnet, ISD charter, etc.) schools within the same school district that do not offer UIL participation opportunities.
- *Section 407*– Provides an exception to the fifteen day rule for dependents of active duty military personnel.
- *Section 408* – Amended the rule by adding the language of the official interpretation.
- *Section 410* – Clarifies eligibility burden of proof and burden of proof in allegations of violations.
- *Section 441*– Defines “participating“ and “league sponsored school sports”.
- *Section 446* – Amends the Age Rule language regarding the requirement for a student to prove their age.
- *Section 465*– Amends Foreign Exchange Student’s placement.
- *Section 480 and 482*– Amends contribution to a second major award.
- *Section 867*– Amends language to include recent sources of income
- *Section 868*– Clarifies broadcasting of UIL postseason events.

### **High School Academic Contests**

- *Section 900-906* – Changed Spring Meet Plan to address academic contests only, condensed information for all events and adjusted academic sweepstakes points to include all events in the overall academic state championship.
- *Sections 920-966* – Removed specific contest procedures and operations to be placed in each event handbook, keeping the structure of contests in the C&CR.
- *Section 1000-1007* – Removed specific contest procedures and operations to be placed in each event handbook, keeping the structure of contests in the C&CR.
- *Section 1021-1027* – Removed specific contest procedures and operations to be placed in each event handbook, keeping the structure of contests in the C&CR.
- *Section 1031-1037* – Removed specific contest procedures and operations to be placed in an event handbook, keeping the structure of contests in the C&CR.
- *Section 1208* – Adds Congress as a UIL sanctioned event.
- *Section 1036* – Adds Young Film Makers Festival as a UIL sanctioned event.

### **Music**

- *Section 1110(g)(2)* – Modifies orchestra concert contest music requirements.
- *Section 1102 (b)(1)B)* – Modified the current requirement for a student to be enrolled in a corresponding class to participate in any music organization event.
- *Section 1102 (c)* – Removed the rule stating a music organization may not cancel its participation in a UIL contest to enter a non-UIL contest.
- *Section 1102 (e)* – Clarifies that travel hardship is the only reason a school may be granted a region transfer.
- *Section 1112 (j)(2)* – Allows the existing non-varsity provision for new or under developed music programs to be extended beyond the time that the organization receives a first division rating in concert evaluation.

*Section 1102 (j)(3)* – Allows the existing 5A/6A treble-as-varsity provision for new or under developed music programs to be extended beyond the time that the organization receives a first division rating in concert evaluation.

*Section 1102 (j)(6)(b)* – Extends the middle school/junior high combined group school option to high schools.

*Section 1102 (k)* – Clarifies the Sunday Participation language in the music rules.

*Section 1106(k)* – Removed the rebate language from the music rules, which will now be covered in the financial section of the constitution.

*Section 1108 (i)(3)* – Removed the current provision that allows a student who earns a Division I at TSSEC to then perform a solo from a PML list different from the student's instrument.

### **High School Athletic Contests**

- *Section 441* – Clarifies the current rules regarding athletic amateur status pertaining to receiving reasonable fees for coaching, teaching and officiating.
- *Section 443* – Allows intra-district transfer students immediate eligibility for one sport, not offered at their previous school, when transferring for athletic purposes.
- *Section 1200-1478* – pertains to edits to the high school and junior high athletic plans.
- *Section 1204* – provided an increase in fees for sports officials.
- *Section 1204* – Clarifies an official in good standing with the UIL must be registered in the sport in which they are officiating.
- *Section 1206 (b)(3)* – Addresses regional cross country contest dates.
- *Section 1208 (t)* – Clarifies rebates for specific team sport and individual
- *Section 1208* – Allows 3A to play soccer in Conference 4A.
- *Section 1280 (h)(3) and (4)* – Increased the number of qualifiers from 16 to 24 total participants from each event in the regional swimming meet to the state meet.
- *Section 1320 (f)* – Dropped the track restriction of only two events for a contestant in a 400 meter race and beyond.
- *Section 1330(7)(A)* – Clarifies volleyball start date.
- *Amend Coaches Manual* - Advance two teams per district in 1A softball and baseball playoffs when two complete conferences are combined during the regular season.
- *Pilot Program* - Add 1A baseball and softball, creating a separate 1A state championship bracket.
- *Pilot Program* - In collaboration with the UIL Medical Advisory Committee, develop an injury data collection program.

### **Jr. High School Athletic Contests**

- *Sections 1410-1478* – Removed specific contest procedures and operations to be placed in each event handbook.

## Appendix V

### Applicable Portion of Texas Education Code, as required by Senate Bill 82

#### 80th Legislative Session

Sec. 33.203. COMPLETION OF UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE FORMS. (a) Each student participating in an extracurricular athletic activity must complete the University Interscholastic League forms entitled "Preparticipation Physical Evaluation--Medical History" and "Acknowledgment of Rules." Each form must be signed by both the student and the student's parent or guardian.

(b) Each form specified by Subsection (a) must clearly state that failure to accurately and truthfully answer all questions on a form required by statute or by the University Interscholastic League as a condition for participation in an extracurricular athletic activity subjects a signer of the form to penalties determined by the University Interscholastic League.

Sec. 33.204. CERTAIN UNSAFE ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES PROHIBITED. A coach, trainer, or sponsor for an extracurricular athletic activity may not encourage or permit a student participating in the activity to engage in any unreasonably dangerous athletic technique that unnecessarily endangers the health of a student, including using a helmet or any other sports equipment as a weapon.

Sec. 33.205. CERTAIN SAFETY PRECAUTIONS REQUIRED. (a) A coach, trainer, or sponsor for an extracurricular athletic activity shall at each athletic practice or competition ensure that:

- (1) each student participating in the activity is adequately hydrated;
  - (2) any prescribed asthma medication for a student participating in the activity is readily available to the student;
  - (3) emergency lanes providing access to the practice or competition area are open and clear;
- and
- (4) heatstroke prevention materials are readily available.

(b) If a student participating in an extracurricular athletic activity, including a practice or competition, becomes unconscious during the activity, the student may not:

- (1) return to the practice or competition during which the student became unconscious; or
- (2) participate in any extracurricular athletic activity until the student receives written authorization for such participation from a physician.

Sec. 33.206. COMPLIANCE; ENFORCEMENT. (a) In accordance with Chapter 552, Government Code, a school shall make available to the public proof of compliance for each person enrolled in, employed by, or volunteering for the school who is required to receive safety training described by Section 33.202.

(b) The superintendent of a school district or the director of a school subject to this subchapter shall maintain complete and accurate records of the district's or school's compliance with Section 33.202.

(c) A school campus that is determined by the school's superintendent or director to be out of compliance with Section 33.202, 33.204, or 33.205 with regard to University Interscholastic League activities shall be subject to the range of penalties determined by the University Interscholastic League.

Sec. 33.207. CONTACT INFORMATION. (a) The commissioner shall maintain an existing telephone number and an electronic mail address to allow a person to report a violation of this subchapter.

(b) Each school that offers an extracurricular athletic activity shall prominently display at the

administrative offices of the school the telephone number and electronic mail address maintained under Subsection (a).

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