

## Previous Athletic Participation Form - Page 1 (Eligibility Questionnaire for New Student Athletes in Grades 9-12)

The questions below will assist the UIL/school administrators in making decisions in reference to the Varsity Athletic Parent Residence Rule, Full-Time Student Rule, Age Rule, Four-Year Rule, Foreign Exchange, Amateur Athletic Status, and Changing Schools for Athletic Purposes.

**Question 1** - determines whether or not the student needs to complete page 2 of the Previous Athletic Participation Form.

**\*\*Question 2** - a 'yes' answer will require further investigation to determine the student's first opportunity to enroll or a subsequent transfer back to the student's home attendance zone school.

### Varsity Athletic Parent Residence Rule

**Question 3** - a check mark in the box for 'guardian' or 'foster parents' means a waiver of the residence rule is more than likely required for varsity athletic participation. Based on the answers above, contact the UIL office to discuss prior to allowing the student to participate at the varsity level in athletics.

**Question 4** - a check mark in the box for 'married - living apart' or 'married and the student is living with one parent' means a waiver of the residence rule is likely required for varsity athletic participation.

**Question 5** - a 'yes' answer means a waiver of the residence rule may be required for varsity athletic participation, if the student has NOT been continuously enrolled at that school for the previous calendar year.

**Questions 6, 7, 8 and 9** - a 'yes' answer to any or all of these questions needs to be investigated by the school to find out the circumstances and how they might or might not impact varsity athletic eligibility.

#### RESIDENCE IN SCHOOL DISTRICT AND ATTENDANCE ZONE

This section applies to the first calendar year of attendance in grades 9-12. Parent(s) in the context of this rule means parents or adoptive parents who adopted the student prior to the student's first entry in the ninth grade.

**PRESUMPTION OF RESIDENCE OF STUDENT, PARENT (S), SPOUSE.** The residence of a single, divorced or widowed student is presumed to be that of the parents of the student. The residence of a married student is presumed to be that of his or her spouse.

**GUARDIAN OF PERSON.** If a student's parents are alive but a guardian of his or her person was appointed by appropriate authority and recorded in the county clerk's office more than one year ago, the residence of the student is presumed to be that of the guardian if the student has continuously resided with the guardian for a calendar year or more. *If no legal guardianship has been taken out, three years' residence with and support of a contestant establishes guardianship within the meaning of this rule.* (Power of Attorney is NOT a recognized document for participation in varsity athletic contest.)

**GUARDIAN.** If a student's parents are dead and a guardian of his or her person has been appointed by appropriate authority, the residence of the student is presumed to be that of the guardian.

**RELATIVE; SUPPORTER.** If a student's parents are dead and a guardianship of his or her person has not been appointed, the residence of the student is presumed to be that of the grandparent, aunt, uncle, adult brother or sister or other person with whom the student is living and by whom the student is supported.

**CUSTODIAL.** The residence of a student assigned by appropriate authority to a foster home or a home licensed by the state as a childcare boarding facility, or placed in a home by the Texas Youth Commission, is presumed to be at the home. If a student's parent(s) move the student to a foster home in another school district, the student is not eligible, but may apply for a waiver.

**DIVORCED PARENTS.** The residence of a student whose parents are divorced is presumed to be that of either parent.

**SEPARATED PARENTS.**

1. If a student's parents separate (**and are not divorced**), and if one parent remains in the attendance zone where the student has been attending school, the student's residence is presumed to be that of the parent who did not move.
2. If a student transfers to a new school with a separated (**but not divorced**) parent, the student is ineligible for one calendar year, but may apply for a waiver.

**Full-Time Student**

**Question 10** – a 'yes' means the student is in violation of the full-time student rule and would be ineligible to participate at any level.

**Age Rule and Four-Year Rule**

**Question 11** – a 'yes' answer means the student is in violation of the Four Year Rule and not eligible for varsity participation. Contact the UIL office to inquire on the process for applying for a waiver of the Four Year Rule.

**Question 12** – a 'yes' answer to this question needs to be investigated. UIL rule prohibit students from repeating grades for athletic purposes.

**Question 13** – a 'yes' answer means the student is in violation of the Age Rule and not eligible for varsity athletic participation. Contact the UIL office to see if the student could qualify for a waiver of the Age Rule.

**Foreign Exchange Waiver**

**Question 14** – Foreign exchange students are not eligible for varsity athletics without a waiver. Contact the UIL office for details.

**Amateur Athletic Status**

**Question 15** – a 'yes' means the student is in violation of the amateur rule and would be ineligible to participate.

**Assist in Determining if Student Moved for Athletic Purposes**

**Questions 16, 17 and 18** – Any 'yes' answers should be thoroughly in question to participate at the varsity level in athletics.

\*The date of withdrawal from previous school and date of enrollment in new school is necessary in determining if the student has been continuously enrolled for one calendar if the answer to question 2 is 'yes'.

\*Signature on the questionnaire certifies all required annual student forms and the information provided by the parent or student is true and correct.

\*\* If the student attended a Magnet, Charter, or Open/Choice enrollment school it will require further investigation to determine the student's first opportunity to enroll or a subsequent transfer back to the student's home attendance zone school.

## Previous Athletic Participation Form – Page 2

If the student is NOT living with parents at the new school it is more than likely a waiver of the parent residence is required for varsity athletic participation. Contact the UIL Office.

### Section I – Eligibility Certification

- If the former address of parent/guardian is the same as the current address, a letter of explanation is REQUIRED to explain the change in schools with no change in address.
- If the status of previous residence is 'vacant' or 'still own', further investigation is needed.
- Parent/Guardian signature is required, and if witnessed by the new school administrator, notarization is not required.

### Section II – New School Certification

- The new school superintendent or designated administrator signature signifies to his/her knowledge the student is not changing schools for athletic purposes.

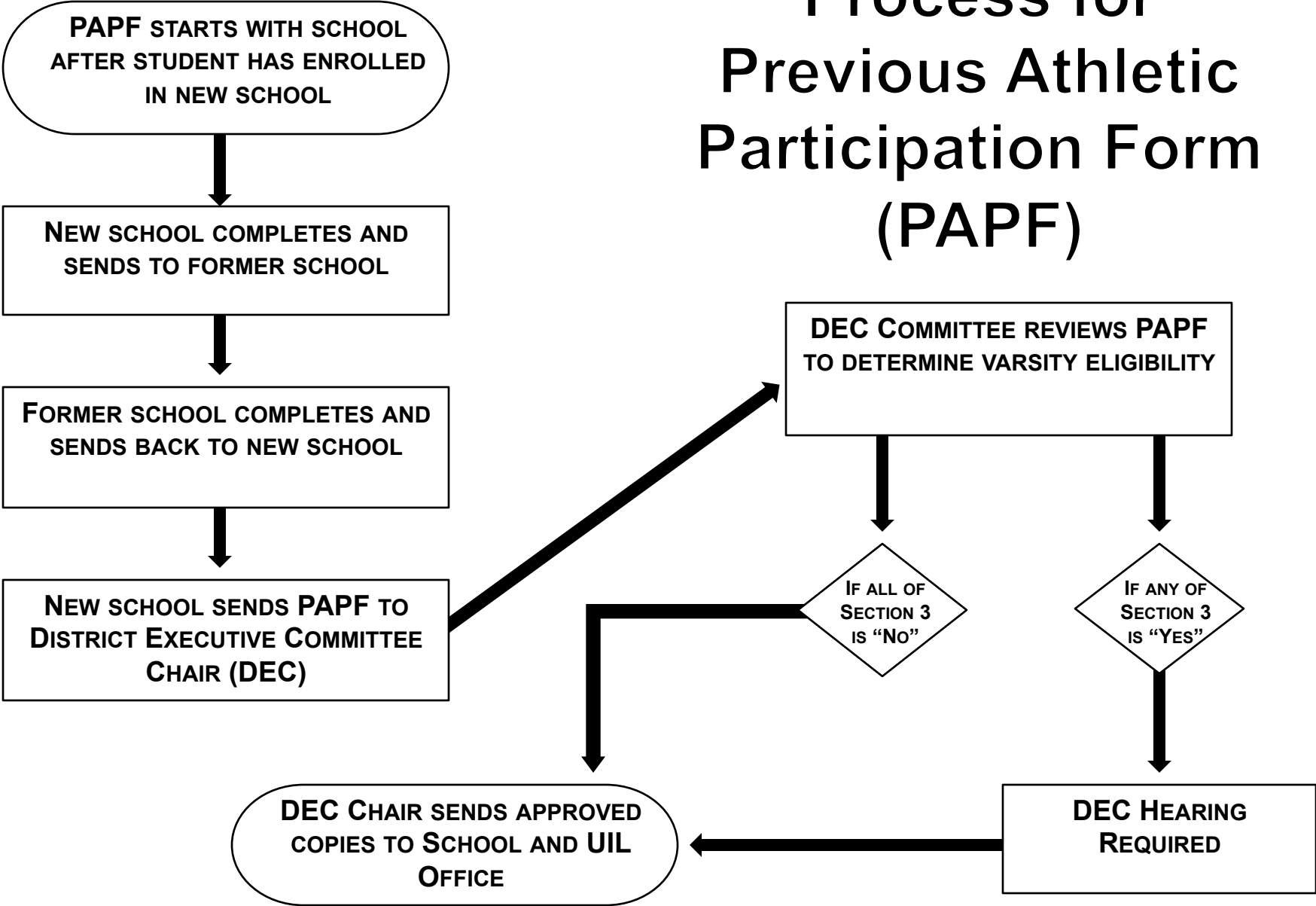
### Section III – Former School Certification and Release

- Questions 1-6 will help determine if the student is changing schools for athletic purposes.
- If any of questions 1-6 is answered 'yes,' a District Executive Committee hearing is required.
- If a hearing is required, testimony from the previous school, the student/parent and new school can be given to assist in determining eligibility. Please document the date of the hearing in this section.
- If questions 3, 4 or 5 are answered 'yes' an attachment of explanation from the previous school is required to the District Executive Committee.
- This section requires two signatures (former superintendent or designated administrator and former principal or coach).
- A student is ineligible for varsity competition until the District Executive Chair has signed the Previous Athletic Participation form.

### Section IV – District Executive Committee Approval

- Check the level of approval for competition. If approved for 'Varsity' level in one sport, the student is approved for 'Varsity' level for all sports.
- Check and sign the level of approval for sub-varsity if the student does not meet varsity eligibility requirements.
- Complete the District Executive Chairman's school, conference and district.
- A signature of the District Executive Committee Chairman is required before the student is eligible for varsity competition, if the level of approval is 'Varsity'.
- The District Executive Committee Chairman sends one copy to the student's current school and the other copy (with supporting documentation) to the University Interscholastic League.

# Process for Previous Athletic Participation Form (PAPF)



# Previous Athletic Participation Form University Interscholastic League

## Eligibility Questionnaire for New Student Athletes in Grades 9-12

**This Form Must be on File with School Before Participation at any Level in Grade 9-12**  
(To be filled out by the student and/or parent and filed with the school.)

For UIL Use Only

Name of Student (print) \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  
 Student's Current Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 New School: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Public Charter Private School  
 Last School of Participation: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Public Charter Private School  
 Date of enrollment in new school: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of withdrawal from previous school: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Has the student been continuously enrolled in the new school for one calendar year? Yes No

Yes No

**1. Has the student ever practiced or participated in extracurricular athletic activities (before school, after school or during an athletic period) at another school in the United States or Mexico in grades 8-12? If yes, the student must complete page 2 in addition to page 1 and both pages must be sent to the District Executive Committee Chairperson. If no, the student must complete page 1 and file with the school and/or athletic department ONLY.**

2. Has the student ever enrolled or participated in a Magnet program, Charter school, Open/Choice Enrollment (within the ISD) or International Baccaluarte (IB) program in grades 9-12?  
**If yes, please provide the name of the school \_\_\_\_\_ and school year \_\_\_\_\_.**

**PARENT RESIDENCE RULE:** \*QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION ARE REFERRING TO BIOLOGICAL PARENTS. REFERENCE C&CR SECTION 440(B) & 442.

→ 3. Does the student live with one parent both parents guardian foster parent(s)?  
 If the student lives with a **GUARDIAN or FOSTER PARENT(S)**, a **UIL Parent Residence waiver may be required. You MUST contact the district Athletic Director/Coordinator then contact the UIL Athletics Department at (512) 471-5883.**

→ 4. Are the parents of the student married never married married- living apart divorced deceased?  
 If the parents are **MARRIED-LIVING APART or MARRIED** and the student is **LIVING WITH ONE PARENT**, a **UIL Parent Residence waiver may be required. You MUST contact the district Athletic Director/Coordinator then contact the UIL Athletics Department at (512) 471-5883.**

5. Does the parent(s) of the student reside outside the attendance zone of the school the student wishes to represent? **If yes, a UIL Parent Residence waiver may be required. You MUST contact the district Athletic Director/Coordinator then contact the UIL Athletics Department at (512) 471-5883.**

6. Is there a change in schools but no change in address? **If yes, please attach an explanation.**

7. Is more than one residence owned, rented or maintained by the parents? **If yes, please attach an explanation.**

8. Are any members of the family still residing at the previous residence? **If yes, it should be investigated prior to participation on the varsity level.**

9. Are there other family members in grades K-12 attending a different school district other than the school district the student is now attending?

**FULL TIME STUDENT RULE:** REFERENCE C&CR SECTION 403.

10. Is the student enrolled in less than an average of four hours per day of instruction for either state or local high school credit?

**FOUR YEAR RULE AND AGE RULE:** REFERENCE C&CR SECTION 400 & 405(FOUR YEAR) & 440(C), 446 (AGE).

11. Did the student first enroll in the 9th grade more than 4 years ago? The first date of enrollment in 9th grade. \_\_\_\_\_

12. Has the student ever repeated a grade since first entering the 7th grade? **If yes, please attach an explanation.**

13. Will (or was) the student 19 years of age on or before September 1 of the current school year?

**FOREIGN EXCHANGE RULE:** REFERENCE C&CR SECTION 468(3).

14. Is the student a foreign exchange student? **If yes, a Foreign Exchange Waiver is required for Varsity athletic participation.**

**AMATEUR ATHLETIC RULE:** REFERENCE C&CR SECTION 441.

15. Has the student done anything to jeopardize their amateur athletic status?

**ASSIST IN DETERMINING IF STUDENT CHANGED SCHOOLS FOR ATHLETIC PURPOSES:** REFERENCE C&CR SECTION 443.

16. Did anyone from the new school contact the student prior to their enrollment in the new school?

17. Was the student ever prohibited from participation at the previous school? **If yes, please attach an explanation.**

18. Did the student play on a non-school team and is transferring to the school where members of the non-school team attend?

### TO BE COMPLETED BY STUDENT, PARENT AND ADMINISTRATOR OF NEW SCHOOL

It shall be the responsibility of each school to have on file the following required annual forms for each student who participates in any practice (before school, after school or during an athletic period), scrimmage or game: Preparticipation Physical Examination (for students in their first and third year of high school participation), Medical History Form, Illegal Steroid Use and Random Steroid Testing, Parent and Student Notification/Agreement Form, Acknowledgement of Rules Form, Concussion Acknowledgement Form and Sudden Cardiac Arrest Awareness Form. Incorrect or untrue information provided by the parent or student could cause ineligibility and could result in the forfeiture of contests in which the student has participated in addition to other penalties. The following signatures certify that to the best of your knowledge, all information presented on this form is true and correct.

Signature of Student \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of New School Coach \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of New School Administrator \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

New School Coach Name \_\_\_\_\_ Coach's Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Sport \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Athletic Participation Form
University Interscholastic League

All new students in grades 9-12 who have ever practiced or participated in baseball, basketball, cross country, football, golf, soccer, softball, swimming and diving, team tennis, tennis, track and field, volleyball or wrestling in grades 8-12 at another school in the United States or Mexico MUST have this form completed by the last school of participation and be approved by the District Executive Committee before they are eligible to participate at the VARSITY LEVEL at the new school.

Name of Student \_\_\_\_\_ New School: \_\_\_\_\_ Last School of Participation: \_\_\_\_\_
Student's current address: \_\_\_\_\_
Street City State Zip Code

I. ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATION: This section should be completed by the individual(s) with whom the student is currently residing at the new school. We, the undersigned, certify that the student is in compliance with the transfer and admission policies of the local school district. This student is not changing schools for athletic purposes and was not recruited. We understand that any false or incorrect information could cause the student to be declared ineligible and could result in the forfeiture of contests in which the student has participated at the new school, in addition to other penalties.
Previous address \_\_\_\_\_ Status of previous residence? sold leased vacant still own
PARENT SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_
WITNESS FOR PARENT SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_
New school administrator or notary public (NOTARY SEAL)
If witness is the new school administrator, notarization is not required.

II. NEW SCHOOL CERTIFICATION: We certify that to our knowledge no one from our community has offered any inducement, directly or indirectly to the student or parents to move into our district. To the best of our knowledge this student is not changing schools for athletic purposes.
Name of New School \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of new school superintendent or designated administrator \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

III. LAST SCHOOL OF PARTICIPATION CERTIFICATION AND RELEASE: Section III must be completed for any new student in grades 9-12 who has ever participated in baseball, basketball, cross country, football, golf, soccer, softball, swimming and diving, team tennis, tennis, track and field, volleyball or wrestling in grades 8-12 at another school in the United States or Mexico before they are eligible to participate at the varsity level at the new school. Please check the appropriate responses below. If any of the questions in this section are marked 'Yes' a full hearing of the District Executive Committee (DEC) is required in the new district.
Yes No
1. Was there any conflict or dissatisfaction between the student, his/her parents, and the athletic/academic supervisors at the school?
2. Was this student recruited to attend another school or was any undue influence exerted upon this student or family to change schools?
3. Did this student quit an athletic activity or program while enrolled in your school? If yes, attach explanation to DEC.
4. Was this student ever suspended or removed from your school athletic program? If yes, attach explanation to DEC.
5. Would the student be prohibited from participation in athletics had they not changed schools? If yes, attach explanation to DEC.
6. Based on your knowledge of the student and their circumstances, is this student changing schools for athletic purposes?
Print Name of Former superintendent or designated administrator \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name of Former principal or coach \_\_\_\_\_
\*Signature of Former superintendent or designated administrator AND \*Signature of Former principal or coach Date Signed
(\* two signatures required)
Last School of Participation: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

IV. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE APPROVAL: We certify the above named student is approved.
Check the appropriate box: Varsity Sub-varsity only ( applying for a Waiver)
Any 'Yes' answer in Section III to questions 1-6 above requires a full hearing of the District Executive Committee (DEC) to determine the eligibility status of the student and required before applying for a Parent Residence Rule waiver. The student would be ineligible for varsity athletic participation until the DEC hears testimony from the previous school, the student/parent and the new school and makes an eligibility determination. DATE OF HEARING \_\_\_\_\_
School \_\_\_\_\_ Conference \_\_\_\_\_ District No. \_\_\_\_\_
(School of District Executive Committee Chairman)
Signature of District Executive Committee Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Email Address \_\_\_\_\_
The District Chairman makes two copies of the completed form. Send one copy to the student's current school and the other copy to the University Interscholastic League, Box 8028, University Station, Austin, Texas, 78713. Retain the original in your file.