All students in grade 9 are required (Education Code 51225) to take physical education (PE), and students must complete a second year of PE in either grade 10, 11 or 12. Students in grades 10, 11, or 12 may complete an Exemption Request Form, and if approved, may exempt a student from a semester of the second year PE requirement. In order to be eligible for a Physical Education Exemption, all criteria below must be met. No retroactive requests for exemption will be approved. Sports played in grade 9 do not count towards a physical education exemption.

To be eligible to receive an exemption in grades 10, 11 or 12, students must complete one year of Physical Education and satisfactorily pass at least five out of six fitness areas of the grade nine California Physical Fitness Test administered in grade 9 (Education Code 51241). Ninth grade students are not eligible for the Physical Education Exemption. The semester of PE Exemption will be the semester the sport is played (Winter sports may be posted in either the Fall or Spring semester). If a student is requesting exemption from the entire second year of Physical Education, two seasons of a sport (any sport) must be played and the Physical Education Exemption Request Form must be completed and turned in on time. The same sport may be played two consecutive years to count towards the second year exemption.

**PHYSICAL EDUCATION EXEMPTION REQUEST FORM**

Student Name: ___________________________________ Expected Year of Graduation: ________________

I have participated in the following regular school-sponsored interscholastic athletic program (Education Code 51242) and would like to be exempted from one semester of physical education. (Note: a separate form must be completed for each season of sport played).

Sport: __________________ Year of Participation: __________________

Coach/Athletic Director Verification: The above mentioned student attended practice, participated in training exercises as required, and completed the entire season of the sport listed above.

Coach Signature: ____________________________________ Date: __________________

Athletic Director Signature: _____________________________ Date: __________________

(Note: In the event the Coach is not available to sign above, the Athletic Director may sign for the Coach)

I approve of my child’s request for a physical education exemption.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____________________________ Date: __________________

The Physical Education Exemption Request Form must be turned in no later than June 1st of the school year during which the sport was played. Forms turned in after the deadline will not be considered.

High School Registrar:

Verification of 9th Grade Physical Fitness Exam: _____ Passed _____ Failed ________ Initials ________ Date

Principal approval of Physical Education Exemption: I recommend that the above named student be granted a physical education exemption for participation in the above sport.

Principal's Signature: _____________________________ Date: __________________

Notification of Approval or Denial of Physical Fitness Exemption-Student: Date: __________ By: ______________

Notification of Approval or Denial of Physical Fitness Exemption-Counselor: Date: __________ By: ______________

Records of exemptions will be included in the individual student's cumulative student record file.

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