



# Gosford High School

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## Concussion Information and Acknowledgement

In the event of injury, no personal injury insurance cover is provided by the NSW Department of Education for students in relation to school sporting activities, physical education lessons or any other school activity. The Department's public liability cover is fault-based and limited to breaches by the Department of its duty of care to students that may result in claims for compensation.

Parents/Carers are advised to assess the level and extent of their child's involvement in the sport program offered by the school, school sport zone, region and state school sport Associations when deciding whether additional insurance cover is required prior to their child's involvement in the program. Personal accident insurance cover is available through normal retail outlets. Parents/Carers who have private ambulance cover need to check whether that cover extends to interstate travel and make additional arrangements, as considered appropriate.

The NSW Supplementary Sporting Injury Benefits Scheme, funded by the NSW Government, provides limited cover for serious injury resulting in the permanent loss of a prescribed faculty or the loss of use of certain prescribed parts of the body. The Supplementary Scheme does not cover medical costs or dental costs. Further information can be obtained from <https://www.icare.nsw.gov.au/injured-or-ill-people/sporting-injuries/payments/#gref>. Further information regarding student accident insurance and private health cover is provided at: <https://app.education.nsw.gov.au/sport/file/1449>.

### Concussion clearance

The Australian Medical Association recommends students being symptom free of concussion for 14 days before returning to sport.

- If your child/ward sustains a concussion, or experiences any concussion symptoms, in the 14 day period prior to the event commencing, you must report this to team officials, and a medical clearance is required in order for your child/ward to participate in the event.
- Medical clearances can be attached to this consent form or can be submitted to team officials separately.

### Parent/Carer acknowledgement and Consent •

- I can confirm that I understand that, in the event of injury, no personal injury insurance cover is provided by the NSW Department of Education for students in relation to school sporting activities, physical education lessons or any other school activity. •
- I acknowledge that if my child/ward sustains a concussion, or experiences any concussion symptoms, in the 14-day period prior to the event commencing, I am required to report this to team officials. I further acknowledge that, should this occur, my child/ward will only be permitted to participate in the event, if a medical clearance is provided.
- I affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, my child/ward has no medical condition or injury that places him/her at risk by participating in this sport activity.
- In the event of any accident or illness, I authorise the obtaining, on my behalf, of an ambulance and any such medical assistance that my child/ward may require. I accept full responsibility for expenses incurred.