



**Petaluma City Schools**  
**Physical Education Exemption Application**  
**Based on Interscholastic Athletic Program Participation**



This application must be completed for each exemption request. **Applications should be turned in to the Athletic Secretary.**

<b>Student Name:</b> _____	<b>Student ID Number:</b> _____
<b>High School:</b> _____	<b>Student Grade:</b> _____
<b>Sport &amp; Season/Year:</b> _____	<b>Graduation Year:</b> _____

Physical education is a requirement for graduation (California State Education Code 51222 and Petaluma City Schools Board Policy 6146.1). Requests to modify this requirement are processed on a case-by-case basis. In addition, a student athlete who qualifies for a physical education exemption must still successfully earn 220 credits to graduate.

**Exemption Requirements**

Student athletes must:

- have taken and passed physical education in grade 9 with a grade of “C-” or better.
- score in the “healthy fitness zone” in at least five of the six fitness areas tested in grade 9, as measured by the FITNESSGRAM.
- maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA (Total GPA), for each grading period during the season of sport being used for this exemption.
- notify his/her counselor (during the annual course registration window or upon new enrollment) of his/her intent to apply for a Physical Education Exemption Based on Interscholastic Athletic Program Participation, so that the student athlete is scheduled appropriately.
- complete this application at the conclusion of each season of sport, which has been signed by the student athlete, and his/her parent/guardian.

**Exemption Conditions**

- For each full season of sport completed in grades 10 and/or 11, student athletes will be exempted from physical education for one semester.
- The exempted physical education course must be replaced with another course, which cannot be an unscheduled (free) period, and student athletes must maintain a full class load, during the period of exemption. *Students may only replace the exempted physical education course with Independent Work Experience (IWE) under special circumstances with administrative approval.*
- Student athletes who do not fulfill the requirements of this exemption by the start of grade 12, and have not satisfied the physical education graduation requirements, will need to earn their remaining physical education credits required for graduation.
- **The Physical Education Exemption will be voided for student athletes who become academically ineligible or quit the team, during the season of sport used for the exemption.**

**Application Deadlines**

This completed, signed application is **due to the Athletic Secretary on or before** the following dates:

	2018-2019 School Year	2019-2020 School Year
<b>Fall Sports</b>	<b>Tuesday, Nov. 13, 2018</b>	<b>Tuesday, Nov. 12, 2019</b>
<b>Winter Sports</b>	<b>Monday, Feb. 11, 2019</b>	<b>Monday, Feb. 10, 2020</b>
<b>Spring Sports</b>	<b>Friday, May 24, 2019</b>	<b>Friday, May 22, 2020</b>

**THIS APPLICATION IS CONTINUED ON THE NEXT PAGE**

<b>FOR OFFICE USE ONLY</b> Date Submitted: _____
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*I have read and understand all of the conditions. I understand that if I fail to fulfill any part of the requirements or conditions, the exemption will be void and I will need to fulfill the Physical Education graduation requirement.*

**PLEASE KEEP A COPY OF THIS COMPLETED APPLICATION FOR YOUR OWN RECORDS**

**Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Name:** *(Please Print)* \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Athletic Director Confirmation**  
*For Athletic Director Use Only*

<b>Sport</b>	<b>Season/Year</b>	<b>Confirmation of Completion</b> (Signed by Athletic Director)