



EASTERN REGION
POP WARNER LITTLE SCHOLARS



CHECKING IN ON LEAGUES



Insurance

- Pop Warner Insurance runs from August 1st through July 31st annually
- Maintaining General Liability insurance protects your organization and its volunteers from incidents that may occur between August 1, 2020 and the start of the next season
- This applies to league and team meetings, registration events, pre-season player evaluations and fundraisers
- Having insurance in place during the off-season also simplifies processes around the reservations of fields and other facilities for the 2021 season.
- Insurance companies are now adding pandemic exclusions, meaning they won't cover infections that can be traced to games or practices.



Jon Butler's Return to Play Update

- Return to Play safety guidelines have been published
- PW Authentic is ready to accept and quickly turn around uniform orders
- Support for leagues is in place to adjust your season, including a later start date or limits in the schedule
- Modifications have been made to Scholastic eligibility guidelines to accommodate for changes in learning and grading processes,
- A replacement location for this year's Pop Warner Super Bowl and National Championship Week is being finalized



Consider Alternatives

Replace Tackle Football

Flag Football (medium risk)

7 on 7 Passing (medium risk)

Exploring Spring Tackle Football (high risk)



Consider Alternatives

Replace Cheer & Dance

Non-Mount Division (medium risk)

Teams can change from Non-Mount to Mount Division prior to their 1st competition (high risk)

If restrictions arise after opening, Associations can register teams from January to March 31, 2021 for the Spring (high risk)



Scholastic Eligibility Guidelines for the 2020 Pop Warner Season

For the 2020 Pop Warner season, proof and acceptance of Scholastics Eligibility will be modified due to the Covid-19 pandemic. School districts across the country adjusted their grading processes to accommodate for the pandemic by ceasing on-site learning and creating on-line tools for learning. Therefore, the following report card types/examples submitted by the participating athletes will be accepted as proof of scholastics eligibility for the 2020 Pop Warner season and included in the participant's approved certification paperwork:



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- 1) Report Cards that have 4 quarter grading systems, that show "passing grades" for the first two quarters and pass/fail (or similar indicators) for the final two quarters
- 2) Report Cards that have 3 trimester grading systems, that show "passing grades" in the first two trimesters and pass/fail (or similar indicators) in the final trimester
- 3) Report Cards that have no grades in the final two quarters or final trimester and have "passing grades" in the "final overall" grade marking column
- 4) Report Cards, either quarterly or trimesters, that have no grades for the pandemic affected time periods and/or no final overall grade, will be accepted as long as the grading periods on the report card indicate "passing grades"
- 5) Narrative report cards that do not provide grading, but the narrative indicates that the child is progressing and/or promoted to the next grade level for the 2020-21 school year
- 6) Any report card type that shows the child has been promoted to the next grade level for the 2020-21 school year
- 7) Those states that have mandated that every child will be promoted to the next grade level for the 2020-21 school year will be approved for participation for certification purposes



- These guidelines are in effect for the 2020 Pop Warner Season only
- If a report card is not submitted for certification, then the traditional Scholastic Eligibility Form (SEF) must be used.
- States that have mandated promotion to the next grade level must have one copy of the directive on file with the respective Region Scholastic Director; A copy for each individual child's certification paperwork is NOT required
- For recording GPAs into the PW software for certification purposes, scholastic eligibility should be recorded at 70%
- The Home School Form (HSF) will be used where Home School report cards are provided for certification (no change from current requirement)
- These guidelines are for Scholastic Eligibility only; determination factors for the All America Scholar Program eligibility will be formalized and distributed at a later date/separately



COVID-19

Pop Warner's 'Return to Play' policy are meant to supplement – not replace – any state, local, territorial, or health and safety laws, rules, and regulations.

We acknowledge that Phases for each state and county may not coincide with this 'Return to Play' policy. **For each phase, state/ local guidelines take precedence** if they are more restrictive than this phased approach. We acknowledge that some Regions, Leagues or Associations will be allowed by their State/Local guidelines to progress to Stage 4 more rapidly than others



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- 1) This Waiver form is to be completed by all youth athletes and all coaches, volunteers and league officials attending Pop Warner events, as the “Participant”.
- 2) Parent signature is required for all youth athletes. Witness signatures are required. Anyone may witness the participant and parent signatures.
- 3) **Form is to be filled out for first camp session, for first practice, and at start of competition.** Retain the originals with the Participant Agreement. Scan and send the completed COVID-19 Waivers to compliance@popwarner.com. **(prefer the whole team as a packet not individuals)**
- 4) If the first question is answered “yes”, the date of confirmation or exposure is filled out next.
- 5) If date of exposure is within 14 days, participant is excluded.
- 6) A participant excluded because of exposure may return after the 14-day period **(from date of exposure)** and must fill out another form.
- 7) If any of the symptoms are checked, participant is excluded.
- 8) A participant excluded from camp may return 14 days after they are symptom free.
- 9) If temperature is not cleared, participant is excluded.
- 10) A participant excluded for temperature may return 14 days after their temperature returns to normal.
- 11) Under “Duty to Inform” – all three boxes must be checked.
- 12) If participant has tested positive for COVID-19, they may not return without medical clearance