

Lorne Park Secondary School is dedicated to fostering academic and personal excellence, pride and spirit in a dynamic and supportive environment.



LORNE PARK SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Your child is interested in playing for the Senior Football Team. They are expected to attend team meetings, practices, and games both at school and at other schools/locations.

As an extension of the co-curricular program, the Senior Football Team is planning a series of excursions as listed within table 1 found attached. This activity is under the supervision of Coach Price and Coach Kelly. This will require your child to leave school property as described in table 1. The ROPSSAA league structure has yet to be finalized but any league play will occur after the start of the school year.

The cost to play this season is \$450 and could be reduced if we have an increase of players on which to base our overall expenses.

Our athletic program demands integrity, discipline, teamwork, and commitment from all our athletes. Please review the following information with your child, sign and return the form(s) to give your child permission to play.

1. Student/Athlete AND Parent code of conduct forms
2. Student Participation in Interschool Activities form

The above information outlines our high expectations as we strive for excellence within this activity and in school. Your continued support is very much appreciated.

The excursion is an extension of the regular school program. Accordingly, expectations regarding student behaviour are the same as those for the regular school day. While we do not anticipate any problems, any serious breach of expected conduct on the part of a student may result in that student being sent home at the expense of the parent/guardian and further disciplinary action may be imposed.

Student information (parent/guardian contact numbers, medical information, emergency contact numbers etc.) contained on your child's school records will be taken along on the excursion and used only in the event of an emergency. Please ensure that all student information regarding address, phone numbers and medical or health concerns is up to date.

We are looking forward to an exciting and educationally meaningful excursion. Please indicate your acceptance of the conditions outlined above by completing the permission form acceptance statement below.

Sincerely,

Mr. Kelly

Multiple Excursion Table 1

Table 1: Destination, Departure, Return and Mode of Transportation Schedule

Visit www.ROPSSAA.org for Schedule updates.

Preseason

September 24 – University of Toronto Jamboree

ROPSSAA – schedule release in August 2023

A school bus will be arranged for away games. Students may only depart for home from away games with their own parent/guardian. Students may not travel with other students and their families.

STUDENT-ATHLETE COMMITMENT FORM

PLEASE PRINT Lorne Park Secondary School

LAST NAME: _____ FIRST NAME: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ HOME ROOM: _____

STUDENT #: _____ AGE ON January 1, 2023 _____

When you are accepted as a member of a school team, you are representing your school. Therefore, you must commit yourself to the school, the team members, and the coach. To do this, you are expected to adhere to the following guidelines.

GUIDELINES FOR ATHLETES

■ Team members are representatives of Lorne Park Secondary School while at school and in the community. Any inappropriate behaviour will carry a consequence and may result in removal from the team.

■ As a member of a school team, the student is expected to fulfil their academic responsibilities.

■ Students are required to follow the team discipline guidelines as set out by their coach with regards to practice, attendance, and communication.

■ When representing our school as an athlete, you are expected to behave in a responsible manner, abiding by the Peel District School Board's, Lorne Park Secondary School's, the ROPSSAA Code of Behaviour Codes of Conduct, and the Concussion Code of Conduct.

■ In order to participate on a school team, each student AND guardian MUST view/review the concussion awareness resources available at www.ontario.ca/page/rowans-law-concussion-safety and sign, acknowledging completion on the student participation form.

■ Once a student has made a commitment to one team, that commitment takes priority over any other team competition in that same season.

■ Students are required to pay all their team fees by the due date set out by their coach. Any student who has not paid their fees may not be able to participate in any competition.

ROPSSAA CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

Because interscholastic athletics is an enriching aspect of the total school program, it is crucial that the positive values of human interaction be encouraged. Cross-sport consistency in all Peel and Dufferin-Peel schools is a priority.

All athletes and coaches are expected to uphold the highest ideals of sportsmanship and fair play. Respect must be shown to teammates, opponents, coaches, officials, and spectators. The following behaviours will not be tolerated in practices, in travel, or at competitions:

1. obscene language/racist or oppressive comments or language
2. gestures viewed as disrespectful, aggressive, or violent
3. trash talking (insulting the opposition)

It is the responsibility of the coach to ensure that the code of behaviour is followed for the enjoyment of all participants and spectators. The coach shall be a positive role model. Any person who has a concern regarding behaviour in an athletic match is asked to notify the Region of Peel Secondary School Athletic Association executive.

STUDENT CONCUSSION CODE OF CONDUCT – INTERSCHOOL SPORT

As a student at Lorne Park Secondary School for the 2022-2023 school year, I am committed to:

Maintaining a safe learning environment

- I will bring any potential issues related to the safety of equipment and facilities to the attention of the coach.
- I will wear the protective equipment for my sport and wear it properly.
- Fair play and respect for all
- I will show respect for my teammates, opponents, officials, spectators, and practice fair play.
- I will not pressure injured teammates to participate in practices or games/competitions.

Teaching/learning the rules of a physical activity, including the strict enforcement of consequences for prohibited play that is considered high-risk for causing concussions.

- I will learn and follow the rules of the sport and follow the coach's instructions prohibiting behaviours that are considered high-risk for causing concussions.
- I will respect and accept that the coach will strictly enforce, during practice and competition, the consequences for dangerous behaviour.
- I will respect and accept the decisions of the officials and the consequences for any behaviours that are considered high-risk for causing concussion.

Implementing the skills and strategies of an activity in a proper progression

- I will follow my coach's instructions about the proper progression of skills and strategies of the sport.
- I will ask questions and seek clarity for any skills and strategies of which I am unsure.
- Providing opportunities to discuss potential issues related to concussions.
- I will talk to my coach or caring adult if I have questions or issues about a suspected or diagnosed concussion or about my safety in general.

Concussion recognition and reporting

- I have read and am familiar with an approved Concussion Awareness Resources provided by my coach. [www.ontario.ca/page/rowans-law-concussion-safety].
- I will remove myself immediately from any sport and will tell the coach or caring adult if I think I might have a concussion.
- I will tell the coach or caring adult immediately when I think a teammate might have a concussion.
- I understand that if I receive a jarring impact to the head, face, neck, or elsewhere on my body that is observed by or reported to the coach, that I will be removed immediately from the sport, and:
- I am aware that when I have signs or symptoms I should go to a medical doctor or nurse practitioner to be diagnosis as soon as reasonably possible that day and will report the results to appropriate school staff.
- I am aware that not all signs and symptoms emerge immediately and there are times when signs and symptoms emerge hours or days after the incident, and I must stop physical activities and be monitored for the next 24 hours.
- If no signs or symptoms appear after 24 hours, I will inform the appropriate school staff and I can then be allowed to participate.
- If signs or symptoms begin, I will be assessed by a medical doctor or nurse practitioner as soon as reasonably possible that day and will report the results to appropriate school staff.

Acknowledging the importance of communication between the student, parent/guardian, school staff, and any sport organization with which the student has registered.

- I will communicate with my coaches, parent/guardian, and school staff and any sport organization with which I am registered about a suspected or diagnosed concussion or general safety issues.

Supporting the implementation of a Return to School Plan for students with a concussion diagnosis

- I understand that I will have to follow the Return to School Plan if diagnosed with a concussion.
- I understand I will not be able to return to full participation, including practice or competition until permitted to do so in accordance with the School Board's Return to School Plan.

■ I understand that I will need a Medical Clearance as required by the Return to School Plan, prior to returning to full participation in “non-contact sports” or returning to a practice that includes full contact in “contact sports”.

■ I will prioritize my return to learning as part of the Return to School Plan

■ I will follow the recovery stages and learning strategies proposed by the collaborative team for my Return to School Plan.

PARENT/GUARDIAN CONCUSSION CODE OF CONDUCT- INTERSCHOOL SPORT

As parent/guardian at Lorne Park Secondary School for the 2021-2022 school year, I am committed to:

Maintaining a safe learning environment.

■ I will encourage my child to bring potential issues related to the safety of equipment and facilities to the attention of the coach.

■ I will ensure the protective equipment that we provide is properly fitted as per the manufacturer’s guidelines, in good working order, and suitable for personal use.

Fair play and respect for all

■ I will follow the school board’s fair play policy and will support it by demonstrating respect for all students, coaches, officials, and spectators.

■ I will encourage my child to demonstrate respect for teammates, opponents, officials, and spectators and to follow the rules of the sport and practice fair play.

■ I will not pressure my child to participate in practices or games/competitions if they are injured.

Teaching/learning the rules of a physical activity, including the strict enforcement of consequences for prohibited play that is considered high-risk for causing concussions.

■ I will encourage my child to learn and follow the rules of the sport and follow the coach’s instructions about prohibited play

■ I will support the coach’s reasonable enforcement of consequences during practices and competition regarding prohibited play.

■ I will respect the decisions of officials and the consequences for my child for any prohibited play.

Implementing the skills and strategies of an activity in a proper progression

■ I will encourage my child to follow their coach’s instructions about the proper progression of skills and strategies of the sport.

■ I will encourage my child to ask questions and seek clarity regarding skills and strategies of which they are unsure.

Providing opportunities to discuss potential issues related to concussions.

■ I will encourage my child to participate in discussions/conversations related to concussions, including signs and symptoms, with the coach or caring adult.

■ I will encourage my child to talk to their coach/caring adult if they have any concerns about a suspected or diagnosed concussion or about their safety in general.

Concussion recognition and reporting

■ I have read and am familiar with an approved Concussion Awareness Resource identified by the school board (www.ontario.ca/page/rowans-law-concussion-safety).

■ I understand that if my child receives a jarring impact to the head, face, neck, or elsewhere on the body that is observed by or reported to the coach my child will be removed immediately from the sport, and:

■ I am aware that if my child has signs or symptoms of a suspected concussion they should be taken to a medical doctor or nurse practitioner for a diagnosis as soon as reasonably possible that day and I will report any results to appropriate school staff.

■ I am aware that not all signs and symptoms emerge immediately and there are times when signs and symptoms emerge hours or days after the incident and in these cases my child must stop all physical activities and be monitored at home and at school for the next 24 hours.

■ If no signs or symptoms emerge after 24 hours, I will inform the appropriate school staff and I understand my child will be permitted to resume participation.

■ If signs or symptoms emerge, I will have my child assessed by a medical doctor or nurse practitioner as soon as reasonably appropriate that day and will report the results to appropriate school staff.

■ I will inform the school principal, coach and/or other relevant school staff when my child experiences signs or symptoms of a concussion, including when the suspected concussion occurs during participation in a sport outside of the school setting.

■ I will inform the school principal, coach and/or other relevant school staff any time my child is diagnosed with a concussion by a medical doctor or nurse practitioner.

■ I will encourage my child to remove themselves from the sport and report to a coach or caring adult if they have signs or symptoms of a suspected concussion.

■ I will encourage my child to inform the coach or caring adult when they suspect a teammate may have sustained a concussion. Acknowledging the importance of communication between the student, parent/guardian, school staff, and any sport organization with which the student has registered

■ I will share with the coach, school staff, and/or staff supervisor of all sport organizations with which my child has registered if/when my child has experienced a suspected or diagnosed concussion or general safety issues.

Supporting the implementation of a Return to School Plan for students with a concussion diagnosis

■ I understand that if my child has a suspected or diagnosed concussion, they will not return to full participation, including practice or competition, until permitted to do so in accordance with the School Board's Return to School Plan.

■ I will ensure my child receives a Medical Clearance as required by the Return to School Plan, prior to returning to full participation in "non-contact sports" or returning to a practice that includes full contact in "contact sports".

Prioritizing a student's return to learning as part of the Return to School Plan

■ I will follow the recovery stages and learning strategies proposed by the collaborative team for my child as part of the Return to School Plan.

Elements of Risk Notice: The risk of injury exists in every athletic activity. However, due to the very nature of some activities, the risk of injury may increase. Injuries may range from minor sprains and strains to more serious injuries (for example, concussion), as well as increased potential exposure to COVID 19. Adherence to all protocols and guidelines will reduce this risk. These injuries result from the nature of the activity and can occur without fault on either the part of the student, the school board or its employees/agents or the facility where the activity is taking place. The safety and well-being of students is a prime concern and attempts are made to manage, as effectively as possible, the foreseeable risks inherent in physical activity. Please call the school to discuss safety concerns related to any physical activity in which your child/ward is participating.

Student Accident Insurance Notice: The Peel District School Board does not provide any accidental death, disability, dismemberment/medical/dental expense insurance for student participation in school sponsored activities (for example, curricular, intramural and interschool). For insurance coverage of injuries, parents/guardians are encouraged to consider a Student Accident Insurance Plan from an insurance company of their choice.

I/We have read and understand the guidelines for athletes and the ROPSSAA and Concussion Codes of Conduct – Interschool sport at Lorne Park Secondary School.

I/We have viewed/reviewed the concussion awareness resources available at www.ontario.ca/page/rowans-law-concussion-safety.

I/We, parent/guardian of _____, acknowledge receipt of the letter dated June 21, 2023 from the school with respect to the upcoming Boys Senior Football season as listed in table 1.

I/We understand that all COVID 19 guidelines/procedures/restrictions will be maintained by my child.

I/We give permission for our child to participate in the school excursion(s) as listed in table 1. Additional practices and play-off games will be added to the team Google Classroom as information becomes available to the coaches.

I/we understand that every excursion has an element of risk, including potential exposure to COVID 19, and that the decision to participate is a personal, family decision. Following all safety guidelines and protocols are required.

I/we understand and acknowledge that the Peel District School Board will not be held responsible for any liability or medical expenses, due to an injury sustained by the student during this field trip/excursion.

I/We grant permission to obtain medical treatment in the event of a medical emergency where attempts to make contact using information provided are not successful.

I/We understand that the Peel District School Board's Code of Conduct as well as Lorne Park Secondary School's Code of Conduct, are in effect and always apply to my/our child during this excursion.

I/We understand that my/our child is allowed to carry a cell phone for use in an emergency. Otherwise, the cell phone may not be used for any communication or for taking any photographs unless permission is granted by a staff supervisor. Posting photographs or images on the Internet (including social network sites) without adult permission violates the school's code of conduct.

I/We understand and acknowledge that neither the Peel District School Board nor Lorne Park Secondary School will accept responsibility for any money not refunded by the excursion service provider should I/we subsequently decide not to permit my/our child to travel on the excursion.

I/We understand and consent that photograph/video/interviews may be used to celebrate, showcase, and document activities and events.

I/We consent to have our child's participation information uploaded to the 3rd party, OFSAA data base for the purpose of organization of activities and events. Information is protected and will not be shared in any way. Please note that your child, if 12 years old or older, must also sign this form to acknowledge their acceptance of the above.

STUDENT NAME STUDENT SIGNATURE (If 12 years or older)

DATE

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

DATE