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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Collegium Charter School is currently implementing an innovative program for our interscholastic student-athletes. This program will assist our team physician/athletic trainers in evaluating and treating head injuries (e.g., concussion). In order to better manage concussions sustained by our student-athletes, we have acquired a software tool called ImPACT (Immediate Post Concussion Assessment and Cognitive Testing). ImPACT is a computerized exam utilized in many professional, collegiate, and high school sports programs across the country to successfully diagnose and manage concussions. If an athlete is believed to have suffered a head injury during competition, ImPACT is used to help determine the severity of head injury and when the injury has fully healed.

The computerized exam is given to athletes before beginning contact sport practice or competition. This non-invasive test is set up in “video-game” type format and takes about 15-20 minutes to complete. It is simple, and actually many athletes enjoy the challenge of taking the test. Essentially, the ImPACT test is a preseason physical of the brain. It tracks information such as memory, reaction time, speed, and concentration. It, however, is not an IQ test. Your child will only need to take the pre-injury baseline test once per school year in the event that they are a multi-sport athlete.

If a concussion is suspected, the athlete will be required to re-take the test. Both the preseason and post-injury test data is given to the child’s physician or specialist. The information gathered can also be shared with your family doctor. The test data will enable these health professionals to determine when return-to-play is appropriate and safe for the injured athlete. If an injury of this nature occurs to your child, you will be promptly contacted with all the details.

I wish to stress that the ImPACT testing procedures are non-invasive, and they pose no risks to your student-athlete. The CCS administration, coaching, and athletic training staffs are striving to keep your child’s health and safety at the forefront of the student athletic experience. NovaCare Rehabilitation is providing access to the ImPACT testing system and requires a small \$2 charge for each baseline test and any post-injury tests in the future. Please return the attached consent form and \$2 to your child’s coach or myself. If you have any further questions regarding this program please feel free to contact me at 610-903-1300 ext. 6615 or [opannabecker@ccs.us](mailto:opannabecker@ccs.us).

Sincerely,

Olivia Pannabecker, LAT, ATC  
Head Athletic Trainer



## Consent Form

For use of the Immediate Post-Concussion Assessment and Cognitive Testing (ImPACT)  
Please check one.

I have read the attached information. I understand its contents. I have been given an opportunity to ask questions and all questions have been answered to my satisfaction. I agree to participate in the ImPACT Concussion Management Program.

I do not do not agree to participate in the ImPACT Concussion Management Program.

**Printed Name of Athlete** \_\_\_\_\_

**Sport(s)** \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Athlete

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Date

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Signature of Parent/Guardian

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Date

<b>SPORT</b>	<b>TEST DATE</b>
<b>CHEERLEADING</b>	Mon. 11/7/16
<b>MS GIRLS BBALL</b>	Mon. 11/21/16
<b>MS BOYS BBALL</b>	Mon. 11/21/16
<b>HS GIRLS BBALL</b>	Tues. 11/22/16
<b>HS BOYS BBALL</b>	Mon. 11/28/16
<b>MAKEUP DATE</b>	Thur. 9/1

This form **MUST** be turned in with \$2 on your test day. The Athletic Trainer will designate a make-up test day after 11/28/16.