

RHODE ISLAND INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE

WAIVER REQUEST FORM

SCHOOL: _____ **Date:** _____

Student's Name: _____ **Date of Birth:** ___ / ___ / ___

The Principals' Committee on Athletics of the Rhode Island Interscholastic League (RIIL) requests that you, as the principal of the school, complete this form in its entirety to secure the answers to the following questions and provide evidence explaining the extenuating circumstances in seeking a waiver of Article ____, Section ____, of the Rules and Regulations of the RIIL pursuant to Article 1, Section 20, of said Rules and Regulations.

Waivers are granted in extenuating circumstances which would cause undue hardship. Waivers are exceptional and extraordinary relief from the Rules and Regulations of the RIIL. The petitioner must convince 60% of the Committee members present and voting of the extenuating circumstances and undue hardship involved. The Committee considers extenuating circumstances to be unforeseen events beyond the election, control, or creation of the student-athlete, his/her family, or school. The Committee interprets undue hardship to be a "hardship" peculiar to the situation of the student-athlete which is so severe that normal application of the rule(s) is not in the opinion of 60% of the members voting necessary to carry out the spirit of the rule or the orderly enforcement of the rule. No retroactive waivers may be granted.

Please check the appropriate response:

1. The student is currently in attendance at the above school.

Yes ____ No ____

2. I realize that the student will be ineligible to participate in any RIIL or League sanctioned contests, meets, etc. until an eligibility ruling is rendered by the RIIL.

Yes ____ No ____

3. A written request asking for the waiver and including: (a) the specific rule(s) for which the waiver is being sought; (b) an explanation of the extenuating circumstances which would cause undue hardship in accordance with the above standard; and, (c) documentation or evidence to substantiate the waiver request is attached.

Yes ____ No ____

4. I am requesting a hearing before the Principals' Committee on Athletics.

Yes ____ No ____

If a hearing is sought, it is suggested that at a minimum, the following individuals be in attendance and/or brought to the hearing:

1. The principal or his/her designee,
2. The student-athlete,
3. The parent(s) or guardian(s) of the student; and,
4. Any and all documentation and/or evidence in your possession to substantiate the waiver request including, but not limited to, Official School Transcript; Special Education Report; any applicable IEP; Medical Documentation, if applicable; etc.

I, _____, of the City/Town of _____, County of _____, State of Rhode Island, Principal of _____ High School, make oath and affidavit under penalty of perjury, as set forth in the Rhode Island General Laws, and represent to the Rhode Island Interscholastic League and its individual member schools that if any of the facts sworn to in this affidavit or attached documents are false, then in addition to the penalty of perjury, it will result in a forfeit use of all Rhode Island Interscholastic League games, matches, or events in which said student, _____, participated.

Subscribed and sworn to before this _____ day of _____, A.D., 19_____.

Signature of Principal

Notary Public

Commission Expires

The notarized signature will eliminate the necessity of your appearance before the Committee for the Waiver Request.