

L.A. Baptist Middle School/ High School Athletics
Warning to Parents & Students

Before any student-athlete is allowed to compete for L.A. Baptist, he or she, along with a parent, must read and acknowledge the following warnings.

1. **Risk of injury:** Competitive athletics may put students in situations where serious, catastrophic and perhaps even fatal accidents may occur during practice or competition. Many forms of athletic competition can result in violent physical contact among players. The use of equipment can result in accidents, and / or other exposures to risk of injury. Students will be instructed in proper techniques to be used in competition as well as proper usage & safety precautions when using equipment. Students must adhere to that instruction and must refrain from improper usage and technique.
2. **Transportation:** L.A. Baptist makes every effort to secure transportation via buses or school vans to away games. Van drivers have completed a safety certification test. Students are occasionally transported to events by private vehicles. Drivers of private vehicles must supply driver's license & insurance information to the school before being allowed to transport students.
3. **Performance enhancing substances / supplements:** Increasingly athletes, especially those at the high school level, are attempting to gain a performance edge by using both legal and illegal substances. Many of these substances cause long-term physical harm and are occasionally fatal. L.A. Baptist and it's coaches strongly discourage the use of these substances, and encourages parents to discuss this issue with their students.
4. **Athlete behavior before, during and after contests:** By CIF rules, if a student is ejected from a contest, he or she must sit out the next regularly scheduled contest. If a student assaults a game or event official, they shall be banned from interscholastic athletics for the remainder of their eligibility. The coaches of each sport establish rules related to team behavior and discipline expectations.

SIGN AND RETURN ONE COPY. **KEEP ONE COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS.**

Athlete's Name _____ **Date of Birth** _____

List ALL sports you intend to participate in: _____

I understand that no amount of instruction, precaution or supervision will eliminate all risk of accident or injury as it relates to athletic competition. Therefore I acknowledge my assumption of risk and I willingly choose to compete, or to allow my child to compete, for L.A. Baptist Middle / Sr High School in CIF approved sports, and to travel with the coach, or other school representatives on any trips. It is understood that neither the CIF nor LAB assumes any responsibility in case an accident occurs.

We also agree to be responsible for the return of all school issued uniforms and equipment at the conclusion of the season.

Parent Signature _____ **Athlete Signature** _____

Printed Parent Name _____ **Date** _____