



Katrina Thomas Academy
Participation Waiver for Communicable Diseases Including COVID-19

The COVID-19 Pandemic has created many challenges for athletics across the world due to its highly contagious nature. While some severe outcomes in children have been reported, even children with mild symptoms or an asymptomatic case may spread the infection to others around them who are more vulnerable.

While it is not possible to eliminate all risks associated with the spread of COVID-19, Katrina Thomas Academy will take the necessary precautions and comply with the guidelines from the federal, state and local government agencies including the CDC, PA Department of Health and Governor Tom Wolf to reduce the risks to children, staff and their families. As the information regarding COVID-19 is constantly changing, KTA reserves the right to adjust and implement its policies as necessary to decrease the risk of exposure while participating in private lessons or group classes in our facility. Some precautionary methods may include, but are not limited to:

1. Temperature screenings when entering the facility
2. Promote healthy hygiene such as frequent hand washing and/or use of hand sanitizer, coughing in elbow, avoid touching eyes, nose, face and mouth, no spitting, no chewing gum. No handshakes/Celebrations (high fives, fist/elbow bumps, chest bumps, hugging).
3. Encourage social distancing to the extent possible.
4. Requiring all staff to wear a mask while teaching.
5. Reduce the number of parents in the facility to follow recommended guidelines.
6. Requiring all parents who enter facility to wear a mask or protective face covering.
7. Anyone who is sick MUST stay home.

By signing this form, the undersigned voluntarily agree to the following Waiver and Release of liability. The undersigned agrees to release and discharge any claims for ourselves, our heirs, and as a parent or legal guardian for the Athlete named below, against Katrina Thomas Academy, its staff and volunteers and will hold them harmless for any and all liability or demands for personal injury, psychological injury, sickness, death or claims resulting from personal injury or property damage, of any nature whatsoever which may be incurred by the Athlete or the undersigned relating to or as a result of the Athlete's participation in private lessons, classes or other programs during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

The undersigned acknowledges that participating in training programs, events and activities include a possible risk of exposure to communicable disease including but not limited to MRSA, influenza and COVID-19, and further acknowledges that they are aware of the risks associated with COVID-19, especially for those who may be more vulnerable due to serious underlying health conditions such as but not limited to: high blood pressure, chronic lung disease, diabetes, asthma and those whose immune systems may be compromised. While personal discipline and adherence to particular guidelines may reduce the risks during the COVID-19 pandemic, the risk of serious illness, medical complications and possible death do still exist.

We knowingly and freely assume all such risks, both known and unknown, even if arising from the negligence of others, and assume full responsibility for Athlete's participation in training during the COVID-19 pandemic. We willingly agree to comply with the stated recommendations put forth by KTA to limit the exposure and spread of COVID-19 and other communicable diseases. We certify that the Athlete is in good physical condition or believe that the Athlete is in good physical condition and allow participation in training at our own risk.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Athlete: _____ Date: _____

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