



TOOGOOLAWAH STATE HIGH SCHOOL

18 March 2027

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: 2027 Sport and Physical Education at Toogoolawah SHS

As part of Sporting activities and the Health and Physical Education program in 2026, your child may participate in activities that have possible risks associated with them. We wish to inform you of the possible risks associated with this subject and seek your consent for your child to participate in these programs.

Activity details:

In all of our Health and Physical Education Programs, students are involved in the practical performance of various sports. The majority of activities involved in the Health and Physical Education Programs (such as Volleyball, Tennis, Touch, Orienteering, Street Hockey, AFL, minor games etc) would be considered **low or medium risk** and students are provided with appropriate training and coaching in order to perform more complex tasks. **Low risk activities** are considered by the Department of Education and Training to mean there is little chance of incident or injury. **Medium risk activities** are deemed to have some chance of an incident and/or injury requiring first aid.

Your child may also have the opportunity to participate in activities which are considered a **high risk activity**, meaning there is a possible chance of a serious incident and injury requiring medical treatment. Examples of these types of activities include Javelin, Discus, Golf and weightlifting and swimming. All high risk activities have very strict adherence to safety rules to minimise risk, and other appropriate measures will be taken. Students are also provided with training and coaching to ensure the chance of such injuries occurring are minimised.

As part of curriculum requirements students need to participate in all practical activities. If students present with physical injury or lack of confidence in certain practical activities accommodations will be made with consultation between teachers and parents to engage the students in the set activities. Similarly, students who do not demonstrate appropriate maturity may be restricted in activities and their use of various equipment.

Students who breach safety procedures or behave in such a way that they may endanger themselves or others could be excluded from all practical performance activities in the Health and Physical Education Department. Students must wear a hat and suitable footwear for all practical activities.

As part of the theory curriculum in Health and Physical Education (HPE), students will be studying Sexuality & Relationships Education. This unit's focus is on investigating concepts and issues surrounding the health of individuals and the community. It deals not only with the physical aspects of human pubescent development and reproduction, but also the social and emotional rights and responsibilities that need to be accepted within relationships.

Concepts covered include:

Year 7 – Approaching Adolescence

Year 8 – Adolescent Relationships

Year 9 – Respectful Relationships

If you wish for your child to participate in these activities, please complete the consent form attached to this letter and return to the School Office. Should you require any further information, please contact the School on 5423 4444.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Hargreaves
Head of Sport

Phil Reid
A/Principal

Consent Form 2027 Health and Physical Education Department Activities

Please read the information below carefully and then sign below to indicate your agreement/consent:

- I have read all of the information contained in this letter in relation to the activities (including any attached material) and I am aware that the Department of Education, Training and Employment does not have personal accident insurance cover for students.
- I agree to pay to the school the costs associated with my child's participation in the activity.
- In the event of an accident or illness, I authorise school staff to obtain or administer any medical assistance or treatment my child may reasonably require, including contacting my child's doctor.
- I have provided the school all relevant details relating to my child's medical or physical needs on enrolment and where relevant have updated this information.
- I accept liability for all costs incurred in obtaining such medical assistance or treatment (including any transportation costs) and undertake to reimburse the State of Queensland (via the Department of Education, Training and Employment) the full amount of any costs incurred on my child's behalf.
- I give consent for my child, _____ (print child's name) in year _____, to participate in the activity detailed above.

Parent/CarerName: _____ Please Print)

Parent/Carer's Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____

Medical information

Medical information (medical, physical or management) which may affect your child's full participation in the activity described in the letter.

You may also wish to provide the following information*:

Name of child's medical practitioner: _____ Telephone No.: _____

Medicare No.: _____ Private Health Insurance Company (if provided): _____

Membership No.: _____

I would like this additional information about my child's medical and physical details to be recorded in OneSchool records.

Privacy Notice

The Department of Education, Training and Employment is collecting the personal information requested in this form in order to:

- obtain lawful consent for your child to participate in the activity;
- help coordinate the activity;
- respond to any injury or medical condition that may arise during, or as a result of the activity; and
- update school records where necessary.

The information will only be accessed by authorised school staff and will be dealt with in accordance with the confidentiality requirements of s.426 of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006 (Qld) and the Information Privacy Act 2009 (Qld). The information will not be disclosed to any other person or agency unless it is for a purpose stated above, the disclosure is authorised or required by law, or you have given DET permission for the information to be disclosed.

Activity Risks and Insurance

The activity outlined above carries an inherent risk of physical injury occurring. Please note that the Department of Education, Training and Employment does not have personal accident insurance cover for students. If your child is injured as a result of an accident or incident, all costs associated with the injury, including medical costs are the responsibility of the parent/carer. Some incidental medical costs may be covered by Medicare. If you have private health insurance, some costs may be also be covered by your provider. Any other costs must be covered by parents/carers. It is up to all parents/carers to decide what types and what level of private insurance they wish to arrange to cover their child. Please take this into consideration in deciding whether or not to allow your child to participate in this activity.