

ATTENTION PLAYERS, PARENTS, COACHES AND UMPIRES

LINDSAY'S LAW

Passed in 2017, "Lindsay's Law" applies to all athletes 19 years or younger who compete in athletic activities organized by a school or youth sports organization. The goal is to reduce the incidence of Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA – the sudden & unexpected stoppage of heart beat) in youth athletics.

The law requires the WYBSL to provide a required SCA Informational Handout to all parents/guardians and youth athletes. A link to this handout can be found below and is available in our on-line registration application as well as on our website.

Additionally, parents/guardians and athletes must read the handout and watch a required Ohio Department of Health (ODH) video – and sign an acknowledgement form that **must be returned to the league before participation**. Links to the video and signature form are available in the on-line application as well as our website.

All coaches must also watch the ODH video and read the SCA Informational Handout. Links to these will be provided with your volunteer coaching application and on our website.

For additional information and links, please visit: www.odh.ohio.gov/landing/Lindsays-Law.aspx

RETURN TO PLAY LAW

Concussions are a serious concern in all youth sports. In Ohio, the law requires the league to ensure all coaches and umpires complete designated training as well as provide information to all parents. Concussion training is free and can be done online.

For training requirements and information for parents as required by law, visit www.healthy.ohio.gov/concussion.aspx or our website: www.wybsl.org.

IMPORTANT NOTE: The law requires that youth athletes, who are suspected of sustaining a concussion, **MUST** be removed from practice or play. Ohio laws prohibit a child to return to play (practice or competition) on the same day that he/she is removed on suspicion of having sustained a concussion. He/she may return the following day if cleared in **writing** by a physician (MD or DO) or other authorized healthcare provider that they did not sustain a concussion. League policy requires that physician/healthcare provider's clearance be given to the corresponding Baseball/Softball Director prior to resumption of league activities.

MAKE-UP SCHEDULES (WHEN NECESSARY) ARE GENERALLY POSTED THURSDAY EVENINGS AFTER PLAY HAS BEEN COMPLETED

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