

## **Dexter R-XI Athletic Department**

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## Dear Parent/Guardian:

On May 9th, we are grateful that Southeast Hospital will once again be providing physicals free of charge to all athletes who will be entering grades seven through twelve. Free physical day will be held at Southeast Hospital from 3:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The change in location was made in order to provide student confidentiality and allow each student to discuss any questions they may have regarding their health with a licensed provider.

Additionally, Dexter Public Schools has partnered with <u>Privit</u>, the number one provider for automating the pre-participation physical examination(PPE) process. The goal of a PPE is to promote the health and safety of student-athletes in training and competition. By using <u>Privit</u>, you will have the ability to sign the necessary documents at one time for your son/daughter to become eligible to participate in any MSHSAA related activity.

As you will see in the pamphlet, you have options to register via a desktop computer(which I strongly recommend) or the <u>Privit</u> phone app. All instructions are laid out and links to Privit's help center and website with details are included. After creating a profile for my own child, I can safely say it is a 15-25 minute process and should not present a significant task.

Once you have completed the process, your emergency info will carry over from year-to-year through your career here at DHS. The other, and most important benefit of creating a <u>Privit Profile</u>, is that our coaches and trainers will have immediate access to your emergency contact information at their fingertips by using a sideline app in order to reach out to you in case of an emergency. This system will make for a safer environment for our athletes and the ability to contact parents and school officials quickly and easily, with accurate information, should the need arise.

Those students/families who have a completed <u>Privit Profile</u> prior to the free physical day on May 9th will be placed in a drawing for gift cards and prizes. Please note it will not be necessary to fill out a physical form if you have already enrolled in <u>Privit</u>.

Thank you for your help as we try to make updates and improvements at our school. If I can be of assistance, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely-

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