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## Recreation Services

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## **MEMORANDUM**

To: Parents/Legal Guardians

From: Margaret Huff, CPRP, Recreation Supervisor

Subject: Concussion/Head Injury Awareness Policy

Date: March 3, 2011

Enclosed is information regarding risks involved with head injuries in youth sports. Effective November 1, 2009 Thurston County Recreation Services has adopted a new policy for any youth involved in Thurston County athletic programs.

<u>Policy</u>: Thurston County Recreation Services requires staff, coaches and volunteers involved in Thurston County youth sports programs to undergo a training program for the management of concussions and head injuries as prescribed by RCW 28A.600, Section 2.

Additionally, individuals 17 and under participating in Thurston County sports programs, must annually submit a signed head injury and concussion acknowledgement form to the Recreation office.

Informational material relating to head injuries occurring during participation in athletic programs is available online at <a href="https://www.thurston-parks.org">www.thurston-parks.org</a> or at the Thurston County Recreation Services office at 5033 Harrison Ave. NW, Olympia, WA 98502.

Please make note that acknowledgement forms **MUST** be submitted in order to register for athletic programs. Acknowledgement form is also enclosed. Feel free to call (360) 786-5595 or e-mail <a href="mailto:huffm@co.thurston.wa.us">huffm@co.thurston.wa.us</a> with any questions.