**COWAN JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL**

**CONTEST TRAVEL RELEASE**

The Department of Athletics wants to emphasize the importance of student-athletes riding the team bus to and from athletic events. The riding of the team bus creates a bond – a team unity among teammates and coaches. It is an educational classroom where coaches can discuss team goals, strategies, give skill, game or practice instructions. A place where a coach can console, congratulate, or motivate an athlete. It is where the athlete and coach have an opportunity to communicate without any interruptions or outside interference. It is an environment that cannot be duplicated or recaptured at any other time than at that moment.

Under certain circumstances or exceptional situations, athletes may be excused from riding either to or from an athletic event on school authorized transportation.

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 (Date)

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ will ***NOT*** be riding the team bus (circle one: **to – from - both)**

 (Please Print - Student's Name)

the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Athletic contest on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_,at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 (Sport) (Date) (Location of Contest)

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_certify that I am personally transporting the above-named student.

 (Please Print - Parent/Guardian Name)

The reason for not riding the bus is (*reason must be stated*):

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(Reason must be sufficiently urgent to family needs to justify not riding the bus.)

I understand that the Cowan High School Athletic Rules require students to ride the buses to and from all athletic events and departure from this requirement will release the Cowan Community School District from all liability for any adverse results that may occur.

I agree to release the Cowan Community School District and its employees and officers from all liability with reference to the above-stated transportation.

This form must be on file in the Athletic Office prior to the dismissal of school on the day of the contest.

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 Signature of Parent or Guardian

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Signature of the Coach

**Approved - Not Approved**

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Signature of Athletic Administrator

**Form updated 8-27-19 by Suzanne Crump, A.D.**