

STUDENTS

Concussion Management

The Durham District School Board recognizes that, although concussions and head injuries may occur outside the purview of the District School Board, the return to play decisions for the student are to be guided by Board policy and that any student suspected of, or diagnosed with a concussion or head injury will be given appropriate time to heal prior to returning to physical or cognitive activities.

It is the policy of the Durham District School Board that:

- Staff, students and parent(s)/guardian(s) will be provided with appropriate information to help them identify the symptoms of a concussion or head injury;
- Students participating in DDSB events are to be properly evaluated by a health care professional for concussions if exposed to a head injury;
- All students who appear to have sustained a concussion, whether at a DDSB event or not, will be encouraged to seek the advice of a health care professional who is experienced in evaluating and treating concussion injuries.

DDSB staff will respond in a way that removes a student from further potential harm when he/she has been diagnosed with or is suspected of having a concussion or head injury, and will require that a student receive clearance from a physician before returning to academic or athletic activities.

Appendix:

None

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