

CONCUSSION PROTOCOL OF THE KANSAS CITY PAROCHIAL LEAGUE

1. Each school that participates in an athletic program offered by the Kansas City Parochial League shall be required to follow this Protocol for any athlete who is suspected of suffering a head trauma resulting in a concussion.
2. An athlete who is suspected of suffering a head trauma resulting in a concussion in a practice or competition shall be immediately removed from the practice or competition, at that time shall thereafter be considered ineligible to participate in a practice or competition, and shall not return to practice or competition until the requirements of this Protocol have been met. It shall be the initial responsibility of the athlete's coach, or other adult representative from the athlete's school who is in charge of the practice or competition, to remove the athlete from the practice or competition. If a representative of the Parochial League is present at the practice or competition and determines that the athlete should be removed, the determination of the league representative will control.
3. Within 24 hours following the removal of an athlete from a practice or competition under Paragraph 2, the athletic director of the athlete's school shall notify the Director of the Kansas City Parochial League that the athlete is suspected of suffering a head trauma resulting in a concussion, utilizing the Notice of Athlete Sustaining Injury form provided on the League's website.
4. An athlete who has been removed from a practice or competition under Paragraph 2 shall remain ineligible to participate in a practice or competition until (1) the athlete has been evaluated by a licensed health care provider trained in the evaluation and management of concussions; (2) the athlete receives written clearance to return to competition from such health care provider; and (3) the school's athletic director provides to the League Director the written clearance to return to competition from the athlete's health care provider. It shall be the responsibility of the athlete's school to ensure that the athlete does not participate in a practice or a competition until the requirements of this Paragraph 4 have been satisfied.