



**APPLICATION FOR
EXTENSION OF DURATION OF COMPETITION
(EXTENDED ELIGIBILITY)**

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(Please contact the Chairman before completing this form.)

I. PERSONAL DATA

Pupil's name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Zip Code: _____

Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____

School: _____

Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Zip Code: _____

II. DATE OF ENTRY/ PARTICIPATION

Date of entry into 9th grade: _____
Month Day Year

Sports Participation

Grade	School Year	Fall	Winter	Spring	School
9 th	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
10 th	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
11 th	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
12 th	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

III. EXTENSION REQUEST – Please specify the request for extension

School Year

Fall Sport

Winter Sport

Spring Sport

IV. REASON FOR REQUEST

The New York State Education Department Board of Regents approved revisions to the Commissioner’s Regulations related to athletic eligibility on Tuesday, June 13. The revisions impact the Duration of Competition Regulation

Duration of Competition:

Commissioner’s regulation relating to the duration of competition, limits the participation of students in high school athletic competition to four consecutive seasons commencing with the student’s entry into the ninth grade and prior to graduation. However, the regulation provides that a request for an extension of duration of competition may be granted if sufficient evidence demonstrates that the student’s failure to enter competition during one or more seasons was directly caused by illness or accident, and such illness or accident will require the student to attend school for one or more additional semesters to graduate. In response to public comment, the Department revised the amendment to clarify and further define the circumstances under which extended eligibility may be granted. The approved language is as follows:

“If sufficient evidence is presented by the chief school officer to the section to show that the pupil's failure to enter competition during one or more seasons of a sport was caused by illness, [or] accident, or documented social/emotional condition or documented social/emotional circumstances beyond the control of the pupil such pupil's eligibility shall be extended accordingly in that sport...”

Furthermore, school districts will have to determine if students will have a “significant adverse effect” if their eligibility is extended.

Additionally, the Department anticipates issuing further guidance relating to the implementation of the proposed amendments.

Describe the reason for requesting an extension for duration of competition as it relates to the appropriate circumstance

A. Illness: _____

B. Accident: _____

V. SIGNATURES

The following information must also be completed before this application will be evaluated.

	Printed Name	Signature	Date
Chief School Officer*:	_____	_____	_____
Principal:	_____	_____	_____
Athletic Director:	_____	_____	_____
Parent:	_____	_____	_____

VI. **DOCUMENTATION**

The following documents must accompany this application before it will be evaluated.

- A. Copy of Birth Certificate.
- B. Copy of Transcript, attendance record and most recent report card.
- C. Copy of professional's statement (physician,) validating one of the appropriate circumstances for granting an extension of competition.
- D. Letter from the Chief School Officer* **providing evidence to show that as a direct result of the illness or accident, the pupil will be required to attend school for one of more additional semesters in order to graduate.**

SPECIAL NOTES:

- 1. **Only** the Chief School Officer* may file a request for extended eligibility.
- 2. Requests for extended eligibility will **only** be considered after graduation of the class in which the student athlete is enrolled.
- 3. The application form and all documentation should be submitted as soon as possible after the student athlete's 4th year of high school is completed **BUT NO LATER THAN:**
AUGUST 1 (fall season) **OCTOBER 1** (winter season) **FEBRUARY 1** (spring season)
- 4. Mail to:

<p>Mark DiFilippo, Chairman Section VI 355 Harlem Road West Seneca, NY 14224</p>
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*Deputy School Officer is acceptable for City of Buffalo Schools