physical education waiver request form for 11th and 12th grade students

illinois school code (105 ilcs 5/27-6) requires that students in kindergarten through grade 12 receive daily physical education. chicago public schools (cps) recognizes specific exceptions authorized by the illinois school code to the daily physical education requirement for students in grades 11-12. a student may request a waiver based on one of the authorized exceptions noted below. waiver requests are subject to the qualification requirements and approval process specified for the waiver type as noted on page 2 of this form.

each individual student waiver request must be verified and eligibility determined on a case-by-case basis by school staff prior to granting approval. approved waivers: (1) apply only to the current school year, and (2) require the student to enroll in another academic course in place of physical education.

student name: ___________________________ student id number: ___________ grade level: ___________

waiver request reason (select only one):

☐ enrollment in jrotc course
☐ enrollment in an academic course required for on-track graduation
☐ enrollment in an academic course required for college admission
☐ ongoing participation in an interscholastic athletic program
☐ ongoing participation in an adaptive athletic program outside the school setting
☐ iep specifies time for special education supports and services in lieu of physical education
☐ enrollment in marching band course for credit during the school day.

explanation: ___________________________________________________________________________
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verification documentation attached:  ☐ yes  ☐ no  ☐ not applicable

explanation of attached documentation (if applicable): _______________________________________
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student signature: ___________________________________________ date: ___________

parent/guardian signature: ___________________________________________ date: ___________

athletic director signature (if applicable): ____________________________ date: ___________

principal/designee signature _________________________________________ date: ___________

principal/designee signature indicates confirmation and approval.
CPS recognizes the following exceptions to the daily physical education requirement for students in grades 11-12:

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| 1  | Enrollment in school’s Junior Reserve Officer’s Training Corps (JROTC) Program                   | Individual waiver process initiated by counselor.  
Respective responsibilities:  
- Student and parent/guardian: NONE  
- Athletic director: NONE  
- Principal/designee:  
  - Verify enrollment  
  - Principal or designee approval and signature  
  - Indicate/approve reason for exception in student information system |
| 2  | Enrollment in academic classes required for on-track high school graduation                      | Individual waiver process initiated by counselor.  
Respective responsibilities:  
- Student and parent/guardian: NONE  
- Athletic director: NONE  
- Principal/designee:  
  - Verify enrollment  
  - Principal or designee approval and signature  
  - Indicate/approve reason for exception in student information system  
  - Document schedule confirming that enrollment in additional courses outside of course(s) required for graduation is not possible |
| 3  | Enrollment in academic classes required for college admission                                    | Individual waiver process initiated by student and parent/guardian.  
Respective responsibilities:  
- Student and parent/guardian:  
  - Waiver request form with signatures from student and parent/guardian  
  - Documentation that specific course or courses are required for admission into college or college program of the student’s choice  
  - Athletic director: NONE  
  - Principal/designee:  
    - Principal or designee approval and signature  
    - Indicate/approve reason for exception in student information system  
    - Document schedule confirming that enrollment in additional courses outside of required course(s) is not possible  
    - Retain college admission documentation |
| 4  | Ongoing participation in an interscholastic athletic program, if student participated and completed the season in the interscholastic athletic program(s) during the prior school year and declares the intent to continue | Individual waiver process initiated by student and parent/guardian.  
Respective responsibilities:  
- Student and parent/guardian:  
  - Waiver request form with signatures from student and parent/guardian  
  - Athletic director: Signature confirming the student completed the season in the interscholastic athletic program(s) during the prior school year  
  - Principal/designee:  
    - Principal or designee approval and signature  
    - Indicate/approve reason for exception in student information system |
| 5  | Ongoing Participation in an adaptive athletic program outside the school setting                  | Individual waiver process initiated by student and parent/guardian.  
Respective responsibilities:  
- Student and parent/guardian:  
  - Submit waiver request form with signatures from student and parent/guardian  
  - Present documentation of ongoing participation in an adaptive athletic program outside the school setting  
  - Athletic director: NONE  
  - Principal/designee:  
    - Verify IEP requirements for adaptive PE and verify student’s adaptive athletic program documentation  
    - Principal or designee approval and signature  
    - Indicate/approve reason for exception in student information system  
    - Retain documentation |
| 6  | IEP specifies that the time set aside for physical education is needed for the student to receive special education supports and services.  
Note: Student must have an Individual Education Program (IEP). | Individual waiver process initiated by parent/guardian.  
Respective responsibilities:  
- Student and parent/guardian:  
  - Submit waiver request form with signatures from student and parent/guardian  
  - Provide IEP documentation that specifies that the time set aside for physical education course is needed for the student to receive special education supports and services  
  - Athletic director: NONE  
  - Principal/designee:  
    - Verify IEP requirements  
    - Principal or designee approval and signature  
    - Indicate/approve reason for exception in student information system |
| 7  | Enrollment in a marching band course for credit during the regular school day                     | Individual waiver process initiated by student and parent/guardian.  
Respective responsibilities:  
- Student and parent/guardian: NONE  
- Athletic director: NONE  
- Principal/designee:  
  - Verify Enrollment  
  - Principal or designee approval and signature  
  - Indicate/approve reason for exception in student information system |