

Athletic Participation by an Athletic Training Student

*The purpose of this form being used by the CAATE-accredited Athletic Training Education Program (ATEP) at Eastern Kentucky University is threefold:

- 1) So Athletic Training students can obtain a diversity of clinical experiences in a variety of clinical settings with different patients/athletes and with different clinical instructors. Students will also be fulfilling educational competencies and clinical proficiencies while completing these clinical experiences that are required of all students attending CAATE-accredited ATEPs.
- 2) To insure that Athletic Training students are abiding by the ATEP policy of participating in only one sport and are completing all the clinical education requirements (i.e., completing clinical proficiencies, obtaining ~20 hours per week. Etc.), as stated in the current copy of the *ATEP Student Handbook found on-line at www.athletictraining.eku.edu*.
- 3) Since these clinical settings are essentially open from 9 am – 9 pm, a student that participates in more than one sport, or that devotes the majority of his/her time to the sport, is not able to complete all the clinical education requirements of the ATEP.
- 4) To educate athletic coaches about the minimum clinical education requirements of EKU Athletic Training Education Majors in advance, so that neither the student nor the coach is put into a compromising situation.

This is to certify that both I and my athletic head coach understand and are in agreement with the policy stated above. I will submit to the Clinical Coordinator or Program Director of the EKU-ATEP a schedule showing the time I will be available for clinical experiences during the academic year. This must be submitted by no later than September 15th. I am also declaring that I will be participating with the following EKU Athletics Team _____ during the academic year.

Student-Athlete Signature & Date

Head Coach Signature & Date

For additional information on “Participation in Athletics by EKU Athletic Training Students” please consult the *ATEP Student Handbook found on-line at www.athletictraining.eku.edu*.

***If you have any questions about this policy, please feel free to contact Dr. Eric J. Fuchs, ATC, NREM T-B (Director, ATEP) at 859 622-8173 or eric.fuchs@eku.edu*