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A Hawai'i Public Charter School

To: ULS Parents/Guardians

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Subject: Concussion Management Pilot Program: SWAY testing

To ensure the health and safety of Hawaii's student athletes, the Department of Education's Athletic Health Care Trainers Program (AHCT) and the Hawaii Concussion Awareness & Management Program (HCAMP) from the University of Hawaii's Kinesiology & Rehabilitation Science Department periodically reviews its concussion management program (CMP).

This school year AHCT and HCAMP will conduct a pilot run using an additional concussion assessment tool called SWAY in 8 schools across the state. This letter is to inform you that ULS has agreed to participate in the SWAY pilot. The SWAY concussion test assesses a student's balance, reaction time and cognitive function using the student's smartphone. ULS Athletic Trainers will conduct baseline testing of students participating in contact and collision sports utilizing the student's smart phone if it meets the minimum specifications. If the student doesn't have a smartphone or it doesn't meet the specifications ULS will provide one for them to use for the trial testing. This baseline test takes about 20-30 minutes to complete.

Should your child sustain a concussion during their sport season, ULS Athletic Trainers will monitor your child as they have previously done except they will periodically assess your child with SWAY through their recovery from the concussion.

Please review and sign the Concussion Management Program and Pilot Study for School Year 2020-21 form and turn it into your school's athletic office. The form provides more information on the SWAY test and the impact the data could have on how best trainers can support student athletes if concussed. Should you have any questions please contact ULS Athletic trainers Shane Nunokawa at shane_nunokawa@universitylaboratoryschool.org or Kumiko Hashida at kumiko_hashida@universitylaboratoryschool.org.