

# BUFFALO ATHLETICS

## Requirement to Participate

Any student wishing to participate in athletics at The Villages High School or The Villages Charter Middle School must have a completed online athletic clearance via [AthleticClearance.com](https://AthleticClearance.com) prior to participation in practice, workouts or games.

Below is a quick-step guide to Athletic Clearance:

**Step 1:** Visit [AthleticClearance.com](https://AthleticClearance.com)

**Step 2:** Select **Florida**

**Step 3:** Select **Create an account**. Parents/Guardians please register using a valid email address as your username and create your password. Once you have registered, please **Sign In** and complete the athletic clearance for your student.

**Step 4:** Select **Start Clearance Here**

**Step 5:** Choose the **School Year** *Current registration is for 2023-2024 school year only*

Choose the **School** - **Villages** - This applies to VHS and VCMS students.

Choose **Sport(s)** If your student is a multi-sport athlete or is considering participation in multiple sports **Add New Sport** for each additional sport at the time of initial "sign in" to avoid the need for additional electronic signatures at a later time.

**Step 6:** Complete all required fields: **Student Information** (*Please enter grade student is attending for 23-24 school year*), **Parent/Guardian Information, Educational Information, Medical Information and Signature Forms/Pages**.

**Step 7: Upload Files:**

- **Medical Eligibility Form** (page 4 of the FHSAA EL2 Form) is a form to be filled out and signed by parent/guardian, student and medical provider. Parent/Guardian will upload the *Medical Eligibility Form* on [AthleticClearance.com](https://AthleticClearance.com) or turn the form in to their students school for upload by the athletic department. Physical forms (FHSAA EL2 - 4 pages) can be picked up at the VHS or VCMS front office or printed from VHS Athletics, VCMS Athletics or FHSAA website.
- **NFHS Course Certificates** - NFHS (FHSAA Required) Courses are linked to each students Athletic Clearance account. Students register/sign in to [www.NFHSLearn.com](https://www.NFHSLearn.com) and complete the three courses. Courses will be renewed each year on June 1st for the following school year. Certificates should be uploaded to the students Athletic Clearance page.
- **Birth Certificates** - Please upload a copy of students birth certificate to their athletic clearance. This will only need to be done with initial registration.

**Step 8:** Once you reach the **Confirmation Message** you have completed the registration process.

**Your student is not Cleared Yet!** All data will be electronically filed with your school's athletic department for review. When the student has been **cleared for participation**, an email notification will be sent to the email address on file with Athletic Clearance.