



PARENT INFORMATION

PARENTS:

- You decide who to share your Athlete's test results with and choose Medical Providers who are compatible with your insurance or financial plans.
- You gain peace of mind that you've taken the right steps to ensure that if your Athlete suffers a concussion, there is a Baseline test result on file for comparison.

QUICK – The Athlete account is easily created and secure. A Baseline test will take about eight to 10 minutes.

EASY TO UNDERSTAND – Playing cards are used in each task, providing a universally understood medium for every age and educational level.

CONVENIENT – No software to download. The test and resulting data are available online and protected using an encrypted password system.

WELCOMING – We invite you to explore our web site for additional information. We provide a Resource Center for Parents and Athletes where you can watch videos or download helpful documents.

CUSTOMER SERVICE – Live support is available via phone (**877-399-2966**) or live chat (**axonsports.com**). You may also email your questions to: **customerservice@axonsports.com**.

5 STEP ACTION PLAN FOR PARENTS:

- 1. Be Aware.** Educate yourself about concussion signs and symptoms – the cognitive, physical, and emotional.
- 2. Set a Baseline in the pre-season.** Make sure your Athlete completes a Baseline test at axonsports.com before the first contact practice of the sports season. Share a copy of the results with your Medical Provider(s).

WHY AXON SPORTS?

- Axon Sports is proud to lead the way as an innovator in online concussion management tools that address the growing need for Baseline and After Injury testing. Our mission is to protect and train the Athletic brain. We believe Every Athlete should have access to a Baseline Test Every Year.
- The Axon Sports online cognitive test:
 - Can be taken on any computer (PC or MAC) with a modern web browser.
 - Is scientifically valid and reliable
 - Features playing cards which are universally understood at every age and educational level with no language barriers.
- Your Athlete creates a user account protected with an encrypted password system.
- Your Athlete's test history stays with them through their athletic career. And, you manage access to the account, regardless of their current school, team or sport. Plus, you can provide access to any Athletic Trainer, Pediatrician, Sports Medicine Specialist, or Neuro-specialist of your choosing.
- Axon Sports compares you to you. Having a Baseline test enables your Medical Provider to compare your Athlete's individual After Injury results to his or her individual Baseline results. This eliminates the chance that a comparison to general population norms leads to incorrect interpretation and treatment.

- 3. If injured, remove from play.** If your Athlete is injured or a head injury is suspected, have them removed from play. "When in doubt, Sit them out."
- 4. When symptoms have resolved.** Work with your Medical Provider to have your Athlete complete an After Injury test. Repeat the test until cognition has returned to Baseline levels.

COGNITIVE TESTING IN CONCUSSION MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS

- The latest concussion management programs feature several tools to ensure Athlete health and safety. Cognitive testing is a best practice at all levels of competitive play. Axon Sports meets this standard by providing Athletes a quick and cost-effective online test.
- When an Athlete takes a cognitive Baseline test, he or she establishes a "snapshot" of their brain's speed and accuracy.
- Repeating this test after an injury helps identify any cognitive changes from your Athlete's Baseline performance, which assists Medical Providers in determining if the brain has fully recovered.
- Medical Providers use the Axon Sports After Injury test results when making decisions about when it is safe for your Athlete to return to play or to the classroom.

We invite you to explore axonsports.com to learn more. On the web site you can buy test credits, as well as take and store Baseline tests. You can sign up for the quarterly eNewsletter and explore our educational materials.

- 5. Return to Classroom/Return to Play.** Consult with your Medical Provider about returning your Athlete to academic studies and to sports practice/competitive play. In both cases, your Medical Provider may recommend a gradual schedule of increased activity.