



Bemidji State University  
ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT  
COVID-19 OPT-OUT FORM

**SECTION 1 – STUDENT-ATHLETE INFORMATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Sport: \_\_\_\_\_

Opt Out Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION 2 – STUDENT-ATHLETE SERVICES**

**Student-Athlete may continue to utilize:**

- Remote Student-Athlete Programming
- Study Table
- Remote Compliance assistance

**Student-Athlete will not have access to the following:**

Practice

Team Meetings

Athletic Facilities (including Strength/Conditioning)

Team Travel

Individual skill instruction with sport-coaches

Athletic Awards /Banquets

Competition (unattached, opens, clubs, leagues)

Athletic Participation Credit

Team Occasional Meals

Team Issued Gear/Equipment

Participating in Recruiting Activities

Sports Medicine Coverage

I understand and acknowledge the provisions of Section 2, which outlines what services I will and will not have access to if I choose to voluntarily opt out of athletics participation for the 2020-21 academic year due to concerns related to COVID-19.

Student-Athlete Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature (if under 18): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION 3 – ELIGIBILITY AND FINANCIAL AID**

- Opting not to participate for the period indicated during the 2020-2021 academic year will not count as one of my four seasons of competition if I have not previously used a season of competition at the time I have opted out.
- The 2020-2021 academic year **will** count towards my 10-semester NCAA Division II eligibility clock.
- I must be enrolled full time (12 hours undergrad/8 hours grad) each semester throughout the 2020-2021 academic year in order to receive athletics aid.
- I must remain eligible under NCAA, NSIC and Bemidji State legislation and/or regulations in order to receive athletics aid.
- I am still eligible to be selected for drug testing under NCAA, NSIC and/or Bemidji State legislation and/or regulations.
- **Athletics aid will not be reduced or canceled during the 2020-2021 academic year for opting out of athletic participation due to concerns related to COVID-19.**
- Athletic aid may only be reduced or canceled if any elements of NCAA Bylaw 15.5.4.1 are met, which include:
  - Rendering myself ineligible for intercollegiate competition;
  - Fraudulently misrepresenting any information on an application, letter of intent or financial aid agreement;
  - Engaging in serious misconduct warranting substantial disciplinary penalty;



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**SECTION 4 – STUDENT-ATHLETE SIGNATURE**

I have read and understand this document and am choosing not to participate in intercollegiate athletics during the 2020-2021 academic year due to concerns related to COVID-19. I understand what services I will and will not have access to during the 2020-2021 academic year.

By signing below, I am officially notifying Bemidji State University Department of Athletics that I am voluntarily opting out from participation in intercollegiate athletics during the 2020-2021 academic year at Bemidji State University due to concerns related to COVID-19 and agree to the following:

- I am opting out from participation on my own initiative.
- I have been offered the opportunity to consult with Senior Compliance Administrator to determine the eligibility and financial aid ramifications of my opting out.
- I understand that opting out due to concerns related to COVID-19 will not result in my athletically related financial aid being canceled during the 2020-21 academic year.

**Student-Athlete Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Signature (if under 18):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Head Coach Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Compliance Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CC:** Head Coach, Sports Medicine, Strength and Conditioning, Athletic Communications, Equipment, Compliance