

Sec. 1. CONCUSSION RESPONSE POLICY

a) *Policy*

UT Tyler University Academy shall adopt and implement a policy regarding how to respond to a concussion believed to have been sustained by a student while on school property or participating in a school-sponsored or school-related activity on or off school property.

It is UT Tyler University Academy’s policy to:

1. Immediately remove a student from a school-sponsored or school-related activity if a school employee or volunteer believes the student might have sustained a concussion;
2. Provide notice to the student’s parent or guardian or another person with legal authority to make medical decisions for the student of the student’s suspected concussion and removal; and
3. Allow the student to return to a school-sponsored or school-related activity only after the requirements under Texas Education Code § 38.157(a) have been satisfied.

Tex. Educ. Code § 38.173.

b) *Scope*

This Policy does not apply to a concussion believed to have been sustained by a student while participating in an interscholastic athletic activity, including practice and competition, sponsored or sanctioned by:

1. A school district, including a home-rule school district, or a public school, including any school for which a charter has been granted under Chapter 12; or
2. The University Interscholastic League.

Tex. Educ. Code § 38.172.

For concussions sustained in interscholastic athletic activities described above, see Board Policy PG-3.506 (Student Activities).

Sec. 2. ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATIONS

UT Tyler University Academy may provide nonmedical academic accommodations to a student diagnosed with a concussion or other brain injury in accordance with the list of accommodations and form developed by the Texas Education Agency (the “Agency”).

If UT Tyler University Academy provides such accommodations, UT Tyler University Academy shall make the form developed by the Agency available to:

1. A school employee as soon as practicable after receiving:
 - a. Notice that a student enrolled in the district has been diagnosed with a concussion or other brain injury; or
 - b. A request from the employee; and
2. A student enrolled in the School or the student's parent or guardian as soon as practicable after receiving:
 - a. Notice that the student has been diagnosed with a concussion or other brain injury; or
 - b. A request from the student or parent or guardian.

Tex. Educ. Code § 38.0051.