

# White House declares that “science should not stand in the way” of reopening schools



*On Tuesday, it was revealed that Hazelwood School District in Missouri is mandating that parents sign a waiver of liability relinquishing their rights to hold the district responsible if their child becomes infected and dies from COVID-19. The waiver is meant for students participating in sports and other special activities, and exempts the district and any of its employees, even if the infection is found to be “caused by the negligence or carelessness of the Releases.”*

<https://www.wsws.org/en/articles/2020/07/17/scho-j17.html>

# COVID-19 language in waivers for extracurriculars heighten reopening safety concerns

*In Missouri's Hazelwood School District, criticism of such a [waiver](#) led the district to [clarify](#) that the waiver is meant to "ensure that parents can make an informed decision" about their children participating in athletics, and that no waiver exists for in-person school. According to the district, the waiver was created by its insurance provider and distributed to all other schools under the same insurance program.*

<https://www.educationdive.com/news/covid-19-language-in-waivers-for-extracurriculars-heighten-reopening-safety/581636/>

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## A Missouri school district is requiring parents of student-athletes to sign liability waivers in case their kids get COVID-19



A school district in suburban St. Louis, Missouri, is requiring parents of student-athletes to sign liability waivers in case their children contract COVID-19 during summer athletic programs.

<https://www.businessinsider.com.au/missouri-school-district-student-athletes-parents-sign-coronavirus-waivers-2020-7>