

Hello AG Parents!

Welcome to a new year of athletics at Avon Grove High School. Our names are Steve Iezzi and Leah Balsamo and we are Certified Athletic Trainers (ATC) employed by ATI Physical Therapy. We are contracted to be the ATC's at Avon Grove for the current 2021-2022 school year. We are looking forward to a great and successful year supporting your athletes and appreciate the opportunity to provide the quality of care your student athletes deserve. In order to facilitate efficient care we would like to put into writing some procedures that you need to be aware of as a parent of a student athlete. It is important for you to be aware of these policies so that we can get your child back to playing as soon as possible. ***Our goal as your child's athletic trainer is to exceed your expectations by providing the highest quality of care in a friendly and encouraging environment, allowing them to play at their highest competitive level and return them to competition as quickly as possible.***

### Contact Information

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Please do not hesitate to contact either of us either through email or by cell phone if you have questions or concerns.

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### Reporting Injuries

It is very important that **ALL** injuries, whether they occur at a team practice or game (home or away), get reported to us as soon as possible. The resources we have available in the athletic training room and through our employment with ATI are designed to get our athletes the best and quickest care available. In addition to evaluations performed by us, we can schedule appointments with some of the area's top orthopedic and sports medicine doctors within 24-48 hours. We also have injury screenings by ATI physical therapists: the injury screenings are **FREE** to you and are available at all ATI locations. Please contact either of us or the clinic director so we can set up a screen at your convenience.

### Athletic Training Room Hours

During the school year we will arrive in the athletic training room office by 1:00pm or earlier if teams' departure for away competition dictates. Please encourage your athletes to come to the athletic training room before practice if they need our assistance. We will be present for all home contests and for away football games as well as for most practices.

### Returning an Athlete to Play

**It is a school district and PIAA policy that any time an athlete seeks care from a physician for an athletic injury, that athlete may not return to play until we have a written note from the physician releasing the athlete back to full participation. There is no exception to this rule. Parent notes are not accepted.** Again, please don't hesitate to contact us with any problems or concerns. We look forward to seeing you out at the games!

Avondale ATI	610-268-5333	82 Pennsylvania Ave, Avondale	Clinic Director: Jess Amato
Jennersville ATI	610-869-2200	900 W. Baltimore Pike, West Grove	Clinic Director: Jess Amato
West Grove ATI	610-869-5792	105 Vineyard Way, West Grove	Clinic Director: Jess Amato