



Parental Consent Form

Your child has expressed interest in donating blood at an upcoming blood drive with Community Blood Services of Illinois. We hope that you support and encourage your child's decision to donate blood.

- Blood donation is a safe procedure using only single use sterile supplies. The possibility of a slight reaction such as light-headedness, dizziness, fainting or slight bruising may occur. In the event of a significant reaction parents will be notified.
- Your child's blood will be tested for all FDA required tests. Please understand that both you and your child will be notified, according to legal and regulatory requirements, if your child receives a positive test result(s) and that your child may be contacted for follow-up testing.
- We encourage you to review the information listed on the back that describes blood donor eligibility.

Illinois state law requires a written parental consent for all sixteen (16) year old donors. Sixteen (16) year old donors will not be allowed to give blood without this signed parental consent form.

My son/daughter/ward, _____
Name (please print) Date of Birth

has my consent and permission to make a voluntary donation of blood through Community Blood Services of Illinois, and for that purpose may submit to the tests, examinations, and procedures customary in connection with a blood donation.

Signature of parent/guardian

Date

Phone number where you can be reached

If you have any questions regarding your teenager's decision, please contact Community Blood Services of Illinois at 800-217-GIVE.

Community Blood Services of Illinois encourages the use of this form by all student blood donors at high school blood drives.



Blood Donor Eligibility Requirements

Donation Frequency:

A

person

may

donate

blood

every

8

weeks

(56 days)

Minimum Age: Seventeen years old. However, individuals sixteen years of age may donate if their parent/guardian completes the blood center's consent form.

Weight: Minimum of 110 pounds (50 kg.)

You May not Donate Blood If:

- ✓ You are at any risk at all for AIDS. You are potentially at risk and should absolutely not give blood if you:
 - are a male who has had even one sexually intimate encounter with another male since 1977
 - have ever engaged in prostitution
 - have ever injected any drug into your body other than under a doctor's supervision
 - are currently a sexual partner of someone who might possibly be in any of these groups at risk for AIDS
- ✓ You have had hepatitis since the age of eleven
- ✓ You have traveled to the United Kingdom for a cumulative total of three months between 1980 and 1996

You May Be Temporarily Deferred If You Have or Had: (*please ask Blood Center personnel if any of the following apply to you*)

- ✓ Surgery or blood transfusion
- ✓ Close contact with an individual with hepatitis
- ✓ Pregnancy
- ✓ Tattoos or skin piercing
- ✓ Traveled to malarial endemic area(s)
- ✓ Active infection or disease presently requiring medication
- ✓ Acute symptomatic flu, cold, or upper respiratory infection
- ✓ Vaccinations
- ✓ Dental work within 72 hours (routine cleaning acceptable)
- ✓ History of certain forms of cancer
- ✓ Cardiac Disorders
- ✓ Incarceration in jail or juvenile detention greater than 72 hours

To make sure that you have a great experience, we suggest:

- ✓ We suggest that you eat a light meal within four hours prior to your donation
- ✓ Drink plenty of fluids (water and juice are best - try to avoid caffeine)
- ✓ We encourage you to be well rested prior to your blood donation

In addition:

- ✓ First time donors with CBSI must present a government issued I.D. or an ID that includes the full name and either D.O.B., last four digits of SSN or a photo prior to donating.