

EXTRACURRICULAR ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY POLICY/PROCEDURES // GRADES 7-12



ACTIVITIES INVOLVED

Extracurricular Participation is defined as involvement in any 7th-12th grade non-credit bearing, school sponsored organization or activity that occurs over a period of time. This policy does not include one-time activities such as dances, proms, pre-paid activities, and banquets. A student may try out for an activity at any time however he/she must follow the policy as it applies after the tryout period.

ACADEMIC PROBATION/INELIGIBILITY

The process to determine academic probation/ineligibility will start 5 weeks after the initiation of this policy and will be continuously reviewed at the end of each Progress Period. Academic averages are the measure that will be used to determine eligibility. After the first Progress Period, and every subsequent period, students with a grade of 64 or below in **one** or more credit-bearing subjects will be placed on probation/ineligibility.

- Main office will generate a probation/ineligibility list and will contact individual students, teachers, coaches and parents on the day that the list is generated.

DEFINITION OF PROBATION

A student placed on **Probation** may continue to participate in all activities (practices, games, performances, meetings, etc.) but will need to seek assistance. The student is required to report daily to district offered support in the course(s) he/she is failing. District offered support will consist of the student receiving specific assistance in the course he/she is failing outside of the regular school day. The staff member in charge of the district support will give the student a pass, which will allow the student to participate in the extracurricular activity that day. If a pass is not presented to a coach/advisor/director, the student is ineligible to participate that day. Students without a pass are still expected to report to practice/activity. The exceptions to this include: a student has an away activity, a student is absent for that day and a legal excuse (physician, dentist, etc.) is presented to the coach/advisor/director.

- **District offered support consists of the student staying after for the specific course(s). If the student feels they are caught up in that course(s), they may choose to stay with any of their other teachers until 3pm every day.**
- **All students will take a pass from the teacher they stayed with and sign out of school in room 305 (Homework Club Room). Students will be given an orange participation ticket at that time to turn into their coach/advisor/director to be able to participate that day.**
- **If a teacher is unavailable the student will report to room 305 (Homework Club Room) until 3pm.**

18-19 Probation/Ineligibility Start & Challenge Dates:

17/18- 4th Quarter - Start: 9/5 -- Challenge: 9/19

5 Week - Start: 10/12 -- Challenge: 10/26

Marking Period 1 - Start: 11/9 -- Challenge: 11/20

15 Week - Start: 12/20 -- Challenge: 1/3

Marking Period 2 - Start: 1/30-- Challenge: 2/13

25 Week - Start: 3/8 -- Challenge: 3/21

Marking Period 3 - Start: 4/11 -- Challenge: 4/25

35 Week - Start: 5/20 -- Challenge: 6/3

- **BOCES students will report to the main office either at 7:10am or at 3pm after returning from BOCES to serve their 30 minutes.**
- **If the student is going to miss district offered support for the day, the student is responsible to notify the main office.**
- **The student will be allowed to challenge his/her probationary status after two weeks into the 5 week period to see if they are passing the course(s). However, the probationary status may be reinstated at any time within the 5 week period if the student does not maintain a passing grade.**
 - **To initiate a challenge after two weeks, the student needs to request a review status form from Mrs. Lowe in the main office. This report needs to be signed and dated by the specific teacher(s) and turned into the main office.**

DEFINITION OF INELIGIBILITY

If the student is still failing one or more courses at the end of the **Probation** (5 week period), he/she will become **Ineligible**.

The following will apply:

- A student declared **Ineligible** may still practice/attend meetings, but is **not** permitted to participate in games/performances. The student must follow district offered support listed above to continue to participate in practices/meetings.
- A pass must be presented to the coach/advisor/director in order for the student to participate in practices/attend meetings. A student without a pass is still expected to report to practices/meetings but will not be able to participate.
- The student will be allowed to challenge his/her ineligible status after two weeks into the 5 week period if sufficient effort, progress and milestones have been attained. However, the probationary status may be reinstated at any time within the 5 week period if the student does not maintain a passing grade. The district will develop the necessary procedures for these appeals.

YEAR ROUND STATUS

The 4th quarter course averages will be used to determine the academic standing in September of the new school year for all students. If a student had a failing grade during the 4th quarter then they will be on a **probationary status** as of the first day of school in September.

APPEAL PROCESS

Parents and students shall be aware of the right to the appeals process as outlined in the Extracurricular Activities Policy.