

SPORTS ELIGIBILITY AND CODE OF CONDUCT INFORMATION

FOR ALL STUDENTS IN GRADES 3 – 8

(SIGNATURE FORM IS TO BE SIGNED BY BOTH STUDENT(S) AND PARENT)

Please read the statements below concerning both eligibility procedures for sports and our code of conduct for athletes at Grace Lutheran School. After reading this with your child, it is required that both the parents and the children sign and return the form to Mr. Cypher. Keep this information sheet at home for future reference.

Before your child may participate in any activity, he or she must have this signed form turned in to Mr. Cypher. This one form will cover all sports that your child wishes to participate in during the school year.

Eligibility Procedures

At Grace Lutheran we have two main goals. The first is sharing the love of Christ with our students and teaching them to live in ways that are pleasing to Him. The second is for the students to learn to apply themselves to the best of their abilities in their academic studies. To help in reaching these goals, eligibility procedures have been developed that govern the participation of students in all extra-curricular activities. All students in grades 3-8 need to have an Eligibility Form on file with the school before they may participate in any extra-curricular sports activities.

The following areas are looked at when determining eligibility:

1. Using his or her abilities to do the best he or she can in **ALL** classes. This includes Core Curriculum, Art, Religion, Music, Band, Foreign Language, Computers, and Physical Education.
2. Turning in all assignments when they are assigned unless arrangements have been made which are acceptable to the teacher involved.
3. Bringing to class **DAILY** all materials which are needed for complete participation in that class.
4. Behaving in the classroom in a way that demonstrates proper respect for adults in authority, as well as showing appropriate respect for fellow classmates. This means behaving in a manner which would be pleasing to God.

ELIGIBILITY PROCEDURES

1. At each mid-quarter and end of the marking period teachers will be asked to evaluate each child's performance.
2. Completed reports will determine if the student is placed on probation, suspended or removed from his/her team.
3. The FIRST time a student receives ONE or two failing marks for grades he or she will be placed on PROBATION until the next evaluation. During this probation period, he or she will still be able to participate with the team. By the next evaluation the student must have removed ALL unsatisfactory marks and may not receive any new ones for the remainder of the season.
4. If at ANY time a student receives three or more unsatisfactory marks, either for grades or behavior, the student will be SUSPENDED from the activity until the next evaluation. During the time a student is suspended, he/she will not be allowed to participate in any way with the team. He/she may not attend activities that are scheduled for school nights (Monday through Thursday). If, on the next evaluation, all unsatisfactory marks are removed, he/she will be allowed to return to the team or activity.
5. Once a student is suspended, any further failing marks during the season will cause the student to be removed from the team for the remainder of the season.
6. Students who receive one or two failing marks for behavior only will be counseled. If the problem continues, the above procedures will be put into effect.
7. If in the marking period prior to the start of the sports season in which the student wishes to participate several failing marks were received, the Athletic Director in consultation with the principal may place the student on probation. This probation would be the one probationary period allowed during the season. If at the first evaluation failing marks are received, then the student would be suspended from the team.