

## **Dietrich School District #314**

### **STUDENTS 3380**

#### Academic Eligibility Policy

At Dietrich Junior/High School, we believe that extra-curricular activities complement the classroom academic work and help students learn life skills. Because academic performance is the top priority, failing grades will affect eligibility to participate. In order to be eligible for extra-curricular participation, students enrolled in Dietrich Schools shall adhere to the following:

1. Comply with all Idaho High School Athletic Association rules and regulations.
2. Grade checks will commence the second week of school, and will continue every two weeks thereafter. Grades checked will be cumulative semester grades. Therefore, if a student is found to be ineligible at a grade check, they will be ineligible for a minimum of one week, grade checks for ineligible students will take place on off weeks.
3. Any students that have one or more grades that are below 65% will be yellow carded (placed on warning) for two weeks. The student is eligible to practice and participate in contest during the warning period.
4. If a student's grade is still below 65% after the yellow card/warning period is over, they will be red carded/put on academic probation (see academic probation requirements below). The student is permitted to attend and participate in practice during this time, but can only maintain eligibility to perform in contests/activities if they meet all of the academic probation standards.
5. Students who have more than 10 unexcused absences in any subject will be ineligible to participate in extracurricular events for the remainder of the grading period. The student will have the opportunity to go before the attendance committee to try to recover their time lost and regain eligibility.
6. A student must maintain eligibility past the regular season to remain eligible for postseason play.
7. If a student is ineligible at the end of the grading period, they are ineligible for extracurricular activities until the first grade pull, unless they meet the expectations of academic probation or summer school.
  - a. Student eligibility in the spring semester will determine eligibility at the start of the fall semester of the same year.

#### Participation Standards

1. The administration shall certify the eligibility of all interscholastic participants in accordance to the participation requirements stated herein and pursuant to the I.H.S.A.A. rules. This includes in district homeschooled and dual-enrolled students.
2. To be academically eligible for interscholastic activities a student must be enrolled full-time or be homeschooled within district boundaries. Must have received passing grades in full-credit subjects in the previous semester or grading period in accordance to Dietrich's Academic Policy which states: Students must maintain a grade at or above 65% in all of their classes. Homeschooled students must have passing grade-level testing.

3. A student on a school team shall be enrolled in the school sponsoring that team or homeschooled living within district boundaries (see 9<sup>th</sup> Grade participation policy exemption below).
4. Participation standards are applicable to both members of the team and any school age auxiliary help. For example: manager, statisticians, camera operators. 7th-8th graders who don't pass the previous semester must have an academic administrative approved program to complete the next semester. Each athlete may only be eligible for one academic program contract per year.

### Academic Probation

Students will be placed on academic probation if they fail to receive a minimum grade of 65% in all of their full-credit classes after they have been on the yellow card list for two weeks. In order to maintain eligibility to play while on academic probation, students must meet the following requirements:

1. Must be eligible according to the IDHSAA which states to be academically eligible for interscholastic activities a student must be enrolled full-time and must have received passing grades and earned credits in full-credit subjects (including aiding and study hall) in the previous semester or grading period as follows:
  - a. 5 classes available—must pass at least 4
  - b. 6 classes available—must pass at least 5
  - c. 7 classes available—must pass at least 5
  - d. 8 classes available—must pass at least 6
2. Can only be on academic probation for a period of two weeks. After two weeks they will be ineligible to participate in activities and contests for the remainder of the grading period until their grade is above 65% in every class.
3. Get their Academic Probation form signed by the teacher whose subject they are not meeting the minimum requirement of 65%, the coach/advisor, the athletic/program director, at least one homework help teacher, and the parent/guardian must sign their Academic probation contract. The student is responsible for obtaining all of the signatures.
4. Attend after school homework help every day they are **in attendance** at school from 3:45 o.m.-4:15 p.m. (Any unexcused absences from homework help will automatically make the student ineligible for academic probation and they go back to being red carded until their grades are brought up to 65% or higher.)
5. **Have no missing or late assignments in the class they are falling below standard during their academic probation.**
6. Get a daily work report signed by the homework help teacher(s) which states what the students worked on during their time in homework help.
7. Get a weekly progress report signed from the teacher whose class they are failing to meet the minimum requirements in.
8. Have a weekly meeting with the administrator where they will present their daily work report and their weekly progress report.
9. **The administrator and the teacher who is teaching the subject where the minimum is not being met will decide together if the student is making progress and maintains eligibility.**

10. Students who fail to meet the requirements of academic probation or surpass the two-week time limit may appeal their ineligibility by setting up a meeting with the administrator, teacher, coach, at least one homework help teacher, and the parent, where an additional academic probation period may be granted on a case-by-case basis in extreme circumstances.

Policy History:

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