

EXTRACURRICULAR ELIGIBILITY POLICY

Extracurricular activities play an important role in the lives of our students. However, students need to focus on their academic success, which will allow them to achieve their lifelong goals and increase their ability to support themselves. It is with the academic success of our students being the upmost important priority of the Rimrock Jr/Sr High School staff and administration that the Eligibility Policy is implemented.

The eligibility policy of Rimrock Jr/ Sr High School is established to encourage the academic excellence of every student participating in school sponsored extracurricular activities.

To be eligible, students must have a minimum 2.0 GPA and be passing all classes. If a student's GPA is lower than a 2.0 or has any failing grades that student will be ineligible for the following week. The student will have one week to raise the grade(s).

Homeschooled students who are participating in extracurricular activities at Rimrock will agree to and also be held accountable for maintaining a 2.0 GPA with no failing grades. Home schooled students will have to show proof of their eligibility by getting an updated grade report turned in by then end of the school day, on the day of the grade checks.

For students enrolled in an approved special education program in which the I.E.P. is the standard of measurement for progress toward graduation (Graduation Requirements with Adaptations), the district shall verify that the student is making satisfactory progress and meeting the standards of the I.E.P. Graduation Requirements with Adaptations (for IDEA – identified students) are outlined in the Idaho Special Education Manual. Students on track for Graduation Requirements with Accommodations according to their IEP, are held to the same standards as their peers, as outlined in the Extracurricular Policy.

Students will submit a weekly grade check during the season of participation to their coach/advisor. Coaches/Advisors will notify the Athletic Director of any student deemed ineligible. The Athletic Director will maintain an accurate record of every participant during any given season/activity. The Athletic Director will notify the student and the student's parent/guardian when a student is deemed ineligible.

If a student fails to submit the weekly grade check or submits a partially completed form, that student will be deemed ineligible for the following week. If a student is absent on the day of grade checks he/she must submit it the day he/she returns to school.

The student will remain ineligible until the grade(s) allow him/her to resume participation in the extracurricular activity. During the week of ineligibility, the student can practice, but will not be

able to participate in any game or travel with the team. The student will have to provide evidence of participating in Raider Time, meeting with the teacher(s) at least twice, have participated in the A/B Not Yet and met the eligibility requirements in order to have full participation restored.

If a student is ineligible for 3 weeks or 25% of the season, whichever is greater, during participation in a particular extracurricular activity, the student will be ineligible for the remainder of the season and will not be able to participate in any extracurricular activity until his/her grades meet the eligibility requirement.

If a student receives a failing grade in any class as a semester grade, that student will be ineligible to participate in any extracurricular activity the first four weeks of following marking period and must have a GPA of 3.0 in order to be eligible. If the student does not meet the GPA for reinstatement, the student will remain ineligible until the end of the marking period. Students who fail at the end of the school year may attend and successfully complete summer school to have their eligibility reinstated. If a student does not attend or successfully complete summer school then he/she will be ineligible for the first four weeks of the 1st marking period of the next school year, and must have a GPA of 3.0 in order to be eligible. If the student does not meet the GPA for reinstatement, the student will remain ineligible until the next grade check at the end of the marking period.

The IHSAA (Idaho High School Activity Association) eligibility is determined by semester. According to IHSAA Rule 8, students must pass five classes and have a GPA higher than 2.0 to be eligible to participate in extracurricular activities. If a student fails to meet one or both of the requirements, that student is ineligible for the following semester.

No refund of athletic participation fees will be permitted for violation of the eligibility policy.

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