

## Mountainside Middle School Academic Eligibility Information

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### *Academic Eligibility*

*1. WIAA rules (18.6.0) require a student to be passing in a minimum of five (5) full-time subjects in order to be eligible for participation in interscholastic activities.*

*2. In addition, an athlete must achieve either a 2.0 GPA or be earning at least a "C" in four (4) full-time subjects, or be placed on academic probation for the next grading period. If, at the end of the probationary period, the athlete is still not achieving a 2.0 GPA or earning at least a "C" in four (4) full-time subjects, that athlete is placed on academic suspension.*

*a. While on probation student athletes will not be limited in participating in an interscholastic activity. During this time student athletes should work with their teachers and coaches to improve grades in those classes that are deficient.*

*b. While on academic suspension student athletes will not be allowed to participate in interscholastic activities, suit up for games, or travel with the team.*

*3. Teachers Aid or Study Hall courses do not qualify as full-time subjects.*

*4. Home school, private school, and Running Start students must verify, in writing, that all academic, legal, and other requirements have been met.*

### **Clarification:**

- Grade Checks will first be completed around the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of the sport season and every two (2) weeks after that until the end of the season.
- Students not meeting standard #1 will be placed on academic suspension. While on suspension, an athlete can practice, but CANNOT play in a game, suit up for a game, or travel with the team. It is suggested, that while on suspension, a student focus on academics rather than practice.
  - Students placed on suspension can have their grades checked on Mondays, at their request, to remove themselves from suspension to probation or cleared completely.
  - Students need to make this request in person to Mr. Hare in room 142. Otherwise, their grades will be reevaluated on the next grade check date.
- Students not meeting standard #2 will be placed on academic probation. While on probation, an athlete may still participate in practice and games. It is suggested that the athlete work with his/her coach and teachers to get grades up.
  - After the next grade check, students on probation that are still not meeting standards will be placed on academic suspension.
- Probations and suspensions will carry over from season to season. Final second semester grades will be used for the first few weeks of the fall season.