



BIRMINGHAM COMMUNITY CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ELIGIBILITY

ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY

I. GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA)

In order to be eligible to participate in extracurricular activities, at the time the activity begins, a student must have an overall GPA of 2.0 or better from the previous semester. Under the GPA rule:

- For the fall semester eligibility, grades from the previous two semesters will be used. Summer school grades will be included with the spring semester grades limited by policy to ten (10) transferable credits from each accredited institution.
- For the spring semester eligibility, grades from the previous fall semester only will be used. Summer school grades cannot be included in fall GPA.
- A student who does not meet the GPA requirement can apply for probation under the terms specified below.

A. FRESHMAN ELIGIBILITY

- All incoming freshman are eligible for the fall semester.
- After the first semester, eligibility is based upon the previous semester's grades.

B. PROBATION

Students who did not earn an overall GPA of 2.0 or better for the previous semester have the option to choose a one time, one semester probationary period for his/her entire high school career at BCCHS

- If a student chooses probation and then fails to maintain a GPA of 2.0 or better in any future semester, that student will not be eligible for the extracurricular activity, as probation is a one time, one semester opportunity.

II. ADDITIONAL LOCAL REQUIREMENTS

In order to meet the local requirements of BCCHS, students must meet either the 55 credits rule or the in-line to graduate rule. Entering seniors must have 170 credits minimum to meet the in-line to graduate rule. The "either or" rule is not in effect for entering seniors since they must meet both criteria.

A. 55 CREDITS RULE

In order to be eligible to participate in extracurricular activities, at the time the activity begins, a student must have completed (with a passing grade) at least 55 credits in the previous school year (or the immediate previous two semesters.)

Under the 55 credits rule:

- The student must count the previous two semesters, and may include summer school at the end of the spring semester. Probation cannot be used to circumvent the 55 credits rule. A decision based on this rule cannot be appealed.



B. IN-LINE TO GRADUATE RULE

In order to be eligible to participate in extracurricular activities, a student must be in-line to graduate as determined in the beginning of the fall semester of that year. In-line to graduate means that the student must meet the credit requirements in the table below at the beginning of the respective school year.

- **GRADE IN-LINE TO GRADUATE REQUIREMENT:**

Sophomore

55 Minimum Credits

OR

55 Credits Prior Two Semesters

Junior

110 Minimum Credits Entering Junior Year

OR

55 Credits Prior Two Semesters

Senior

170 Minimum Credits Entering Senior Year

AND

Additionally 55 Credits Prior Two Semesters

In-line to graduate is determined in the beginning of the fall of that school year and applies to the fall and spring semesters of that school year, unless the 55 credit rule can be applied. Probation cannot be used to circumvent the in-line to graduate rule. A decision based on the rule cannot be appealed.

III. SPORTS RESIDENTIAL ELIGIBILITY

Residential eligibility refers to allowing athletes to be part of a team only for the school where they have a right to participate based on California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) policies and bylaws. Allowing an athlete who does not qualify under these rules to be a part of a team will result in forfeiture of games, tournament victories (or placements), the right to compete in post-season play, or, in the worst case, the right to compete at all. Knowingly falsifying information to allow an athlete to participate, who otherwise would not qualify, could result in a suspension of the student for up to 24 months.

IV. SPORTS TEAM ELIGIBILITY

All members of a sports team must be validated and have Residential Eligibility. The Athletic Director and Director in charge of Athletics and Activities must sign off on each student. In addition, all extracurricular rosters must be verified by the Coach, Athletic Director, and Director.