



TMS ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT

HONOR, RESPECT, WISDOM, VIRTUE, AND
PERSEVERANCE

Athletic Eligibility

All Student-Athletes will be eligible to participate in **ALL** practices regardless of school performance and behavior. (Coaches may use practice time to require students to catch up on homework and dedicate some or all practices to one or all student-athletes. Using time for homework catch-up is solely the coach's discretion.)

All student-athletes' eligibility to participate in games will be determined by **two** factors: **academic performance** and **in-school and classroom behavior**. Student-athlete eligibility will be checked each week to determine what level of participation the student-athlete will be able to achieve in the game/match/meet.

Behavior

Any students who receive a **Major** referral within seven days before the game/match/meet will **NOT** be eligible for the **first half** of that week's game, or the match/meet availability will decrease by half (in cases of Wrestling, track, or X-country).

Any Student-Athlete who receives a **Major referral on the day of their activity** will not be allowed to travel with the team if their team is traveling. If it is a home game, Student-athletes will be eligible to dress down and participate in the second half of that game, or the match/meet availability will decrease by half (in cases of Wrestling, track, or X-country).

Any student-athlete who doesn't attend school and **ALL classes** on the day of their activity is **NOT** eligible to participate or travel.

Academic Performance

Student-athletes grades will be checked each week to determine eligibility to participate in their athletic activity.

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Athletic Eligibility (cont.)

6th Grade:

All sixth-grade student-athletes are eligible to start the 2024-25 athletic season regardless of grades and performance in their 5th-grade year.

For 6th-grade student-athletes to be eligible to participate in their weekly games/matches/meets, they must maintain passing grades in the majority of their classes. They can have up to three D-/F or a combination of three D-/F.

6th-grade student-athletes with more than three D-/F will not be allowed to be " starters" in their activity. They will be allowed to play after the start of the activity and at the coaches' discretion.

6th-grade student-athletes who consistently (more than three weeks in a row) maintain more than three D-/F's will **NOT** be eligible to participate in further games/matches/meets until the three D-/F requirement is met for a week.

7th Grade :

All seventh-grade student-athletes are eligible to start the 2024-25 athletic season regardless of grades and performance in their 6th-grade year.

For 7th-grade student-athletes to be eligible to participate in their weekly games/matches/meets, they must maintain passing grades in the majority of their classes. They can have up to three D-s or two D-s and one F.

7th-grade student-athletes with three D-s will not be allowed to be " starters" in their activity. They will be allowed to play after the start of the activity and at the coaches' discretion.

7th-grade student-athletes with three Fs will not be allowed to play in the first half of their activity, or match/meet availability will decrease by half (in cases of Wrestling, track, or X-country). They will be allowed to play after the first half of the activity and at the coaches' discretion.

7th-grade student-athletes with four D-s or Fs or a combination will **NOT** be allowed to participate in athletic events. They will be eligible to participate in practice only. They can return to playing once the 7th-grade student-athlete requirement is met.

7th-grade student-athletes who consistently (more than three weeks in a row) maintain three D-/F's will **only** be eligible to participate in further games/matches/meets once they meet the 7th-grade requirement.

Athletic Eligibility (cont.)

8th Grade :

All eighth-grade student-athletes are eligible to start the 2024-25 athletic season regardless of grades and performance in their 7th-grade year.

For 8th-grade student-athletes to be eligible to participate in their weekly games/matches/meets, they must maintain passing grades in the majority of their classes. They can have up to two D-s, or 1 D- and 1 F.

8th-grade student-athletes with two Fs will **NOT** be allowed to be "**starters**" in their activity. They will be allowed to play after the start of the activity and at the coaches' discretion.

8th-grade student-athletes with three D-s, three Fs, or a combination will **NOT** be allowed to play in the first half of their activity, or match/meet availability will decrease by half (in cases of Wrestling, track, or X-country).

8th-grade student-athletes who consistently (more than three weeks in a row) maintain three D/F's will **only** be eligible to practice. Once they meet the 8th-grade requirement, they will be able to participate in further games/matches/meets.

8th-grade student-athletes with 4 D-s or 4 Fs can only practice with their teams and not travel or participate in games/matches/meets. Once they meet the 8th-grade requirement, they will be able to participate in further games/matches/meets.

It is always up to the Student-Athlete to wear the BLUE, WHITE, and SILVER proudly and know they are representing not only themselves, but their teammates, their family and their school. Not just on the field, track, or court, but the hallways, classrooms and for our guest teachers.

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Athletic Eligibility (cont.)

6th-Grade			7th-Grade			8th-Grade		
Grades	Can Play	Impact	Grades	Can Play	Impact	Grades	Can Play	Impact
D-D-D-	Yes	None	D-D-D-	Yes	None	D- D-	Yes	None
D-D- F	Yes	None	D-D- F	Yes	None	D- F	Yes	None
D- F F	Yes	None	D- F F	Yes	Non-Starter	F F	Yes	Non-Starter
F F F	Yes	None	F F F	Yes	2nd Half Only	D-D-D- Or F F F	Yes	2nd Half Only
4 D-s Or 4 Fs	Yes	Non-Starter	4 D-s Or 4 Fs	No	Practice Only	3 Weeks of 3 D-s or 3 Fs	No	Practice Only
3 weeks of 4 D- or Fs	Yes	2nd Half only	3 Weeks of 4 D- or 4 Fs	No	Practice Only	4 D-s Or 4 Fs	No	Practice Only