## POLICY

**Students** 

## SUBJECT: SECONDARY SCHOOL CO-CURRICULAR ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY POLICY

The Board of Education recognizes that the Orchard Park Central School District co-curricular eligibility policy is intended to be a teaching-learning procedure for motivating students. The Board believes that access to the co-curricular program is a distinct privilege extended to all students by the District.

As such, it shall then be the responsibility of the Athletic Director to publish and distribute a list of all participants for each sports season to the faculty.

It shall then be the teachers' responsibility to monitor and determine on a weekly basis that the students' academic potential and classroom expectations are in fact being met.

Should the student demonstrate less than acceptable academic performance while a participant in activities, clubs, and/or athletics, and should the teacher(s) contemplate holding the student ineligible, the teachers(s) will take the following actions:

- a) A warning of pending ineligibility will be made to the student and his/her parent ONE (1) WEEK before any action is taken.
- b) The teacher(s) will then dialogue with the advisor or coach in advance of any ineligibility action, informing them of the ONE (1) WEEK monitoring period, thus providing an opportunity to meet the academic expectations.
- c) The student should be made to realize the consequences to self, team, or club for not meeting classroom performance standards.
- d) The expectation will be that significant improvement in performance will be demonstrated immediately by the student.

Eligibility for participation will be, in effect, an on-going process determined on a weekly basis with an initial appeal possible by the student to the teacher(s). Beyond this step, the normal line of appeal within the building will be followed.

In those instances where the student fails to demonstrate significant improvement in his/her academic performance, the student may then be ruled ineligible for participation in all co-curricular activities for the next week.

NOTE: Refer also to Policies #7316 -- Co-Curricular Behavior Eligibility #7410 -- Co-curricular Activities

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