

## ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY

Stillwater High School ensures that all students who represent the Pioneers in competitive events meet academic eligibility requirements. Students must be passing all classes (ie, earning grades of 60% or higher) in order to compete. All courses, whether in person, virtual, concurrent, or those taken at Meridian Technology Center, are part of academic eligibility. The following list outlines the academic eligibility process:

1. SHS begins checking academic eligibility during the 3rd week of the Fall and Spring semesters. SMS and SJHS begin checking academic eligibility during the 4th week.
2. Weekly grade checks are pulled early on Friday morning before school starts. Students need to be current in their classwork by the end of the day on Thursday so that their work can be considered for the academic eligibility report. In the event of submitting work on Thursday, students should communicate with teachers about missing work and academic eligibility concerns. Please be aware that late assignments are not graded immediately. While we aim for a 48-hour turnaround, students should respect the time needed for teachers to review their work.
3. The academic eligibility report will be released on Friday and will affect the following week's activities, Monday - Sunday.
4. The first week that a student appears on the academic eligibility report, the student is placed on academic probation. Students on academic probation are allowed to participate in competitive events.
5. Appearing on the academic eligibility list in consecutive weeks makes the student academically ineligible to participate in competitive events. Students do not have to fail the same course in consecutive weeks to be considered academically ineligible. Appearing on the failing list for any course in consecutive weeks will result in academic ineligibility.
6. SHS students who fail three or more classes during the semester will be placed on the 6-Week Ineligible report and will be academically ineligible to participate in competitive events for the first 6 weeks of the semester. JH and MS students will be placed on the 6-Week ineligible list if they fail 2 or more classes at the end of the semester.
7. Students who withdraw from a class they are failing will be academically ineligible for three weeks.

### According to [SPS Policy FM](#):

Student activities are important to the full educational growth of students. School administrators shall strive to achieve equitable participation opportunities and positive recognition to students, while working to enhance the achievement of desired educational goals. To meet this end, the board supports local, regional and state activities.

Stillwater Public Schools is a member of the Oklahoma Secondary School Activities Association (OSSAA). Rules and regulations of the association will be strictly adhered to by all participants in OSSAA governed activities.

Every student who competes in athletics must have written parental permission and must pass a physical examination. All students who represent the school in academic, athletic or music competition must be passing all subjects in accordance with OSSAA guidelines. Scholastic eligibility guidelines are defined in the [Stillwater Public Schools Athletic Department Handbook](#).