



## **NWCS Academic Standards for Athletics and Activities**

### **ELIGIBILITY:**

Each NWCS athlete will have completed the following before the first practice:

Have a current physical on file and take care of the following on Final Forms: Athletic Code of Conduct, various agreements, and medical paperwork. The Athletic Dept will check to ensure all WIAA eligibility requirements have been met by each athlete including minimum practice requirements before he/she can participate in practices/games.

### **ACADEMIC STANDARD ELIGIBILITY:**

Student must meet both NWCS and WIAA standards to be eligible for athletics and activities.

- Minimum WIAA standards: passing 6 out of 7 classes at the end of the semester.
- NWCS standards: 2.0 GPA or higher, No "F's" in any classes.

### **ELIGIBILITY:**

- The "first" grade check will be done 5 weeks into the 1<sup>st</sup> semester.
- After the first initial grade check each semester, grades will be checked every 3-5 weeks (flexibility is dependent on holidays, progress/report card dates, etc.)

### **EVALUATION PROCESS:**

#### ***Grade Check Date***

Students are notified if they are not meeting the academic eligibility requirements, and they then have two weeks at the minimum to improve their academic standing, or their eligibility will be compromised. Athletes will be eligible to participate in practices and games during this time frame.

#### ***Reinstatement Date***

Grade check will be done again for athletes who did not meet standards on the "Grade Check Day". Grades will be checked through the FACTS system, or a teacher can email the Athletic Director on the reinstatement date. If the athlete's GPA is not at a 2.00 (or above) or the failing grade is not improved to passing, the athlete is declared academically ineligible, and ineligibility will last for **one week**. Athletes will be eligible to practice on "red," but athletes will not be eligible to participate in games, travel with the team, or dress for home games.

### ***TERMINOLOGY for Grade Check Eligibility:***

#### **GREEN-**

Athletes who meet all requirements on grade checks dates. They are a "GO" for their sport's seasons and are eligible for practices and games.

#### **YELLOW-**

Athletes will be given two weeks to improve their grades after not meeting grade check. These athletes are eligible to practice and participate in games.

#### **RED-**

Athletes who do not pass grade check or improve after a minimum 2-week window will be placed on **1 week of ineligibility from contests until the next grade check day**.

**If an athlete moves to "red" and the athlete is ALSO on an academic probation plan with the school, then the athlete would be required to attend study hall (for an hour after school) twice a week in addition to being ineligible from contests. As soon as the week of ineligibility is over and the athlete's grades are passing and above a 2.0, then the athlete would regain eligibility and not be required to attend study halls twice a week in place of practice.**

## 2023-2024 Grade Check Dates:

- Tue, September 26<sup>th</sup> Grade Check for students who were on probation from previous 2<sup>nd</sup> semester school year
- Tue, October 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Check
- Tue, Oct 24<sup>th</sup> Re-instatement day if student meets eligibility standard.
- Tue, Oct 31<sup>st</sup> Grade Check
- Tue, Nov 14<sup>th</sup> Re-instatement day if student meets eligibility standard.
- Tue, Nov 21<sup>st</sup> Grade Check
- Tue, Dec 5<sup>th</sup> Re-instatement day if student meets eligibility standard
- Tue, Dec 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Check
- Tue, Jan 9<sup>th</sup> Re-instatement day if student meets eligibility standard.
- Tue, Jan 16<sup>th</sup> Grade Check
- Tue, Jan 30<sup>th</sup> Re-instatement day if student meets eligibility standard.
- Tue, Feb 20<sup>th</sup> Grade Check (3<sup>rd</sup> quarter progress report grades are due)
- Tue, March 5<sup>th</sup> Re-instatement day if student meets eligibility standard.
- Tue, March 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Check
- Tue, March 26<sup>th</sup> Re-instatement day if student meets eligibility standard.
- Tue, April 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Check
- Tue, April 23<sup>rd</sup> Re-instatement day if student meets eligibility standard.
- Tue, April 30<sup>th</sup> Grade Check
- Tue, May 14<sup>th</sup> Re-instatement day if student meets eligibility standard.
- Tuesday, June 18<sup>th</sup> Checking final grades after 2<sup>nd</sup> semester grades are done will determine eligibility for the Fall 2023 sports season pursuant to WIAA rules. Athletes would be on academic probation until the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of September and if at that time they do not meet grade requirements, they would be ineligible from contests for 3 weeks.

## APPEAL:

If a student feels an error has been made, it is the student's responsibility to pick up an **APPEAL** form in the Athletic Office and turn it in by the next morning. An advisory committee will meet the next day to evaluate.

## FALL ELIGIBILITY STATUS / END OF YEAR GRADES / SUMMER SCHOOL:

This policy applies to current Northwest Christian Students. If a student is eligible to re-take a class in the summer, the summer school grade will replace the previous grade if it is higher, and it is the exact course. No classes can be re-taken unless they are a C- or below. If summer school is not attended, the final grade for second semester is what fall athletes will be held to on their return. ***If an athlete ends their final grades on "RED," the student will be on probation the first three weeks of the season.***