INWOOD ACADEMY

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TRAILBLAZERS

INWOOD ACADEMY ATHLETICS STUDENT-ATHLETE POLICY

At Inwood Academy we believe that athletics have so many positive benefits to the development of a student. Athletics offer you, the student, an opportunity to become disciplined, enhance your ability to work with others, and develop your leadership skills. However, participating in Athletics for Inwood Academy for Leadership Charter School is something that is earned and also, most importantly a PRIVILEGE.

As a Student Athlete you will be held to a specific standard of Academic Performance, Behavior, and Conduct. As a Student Athlete you are held to these standards because you have been chosen amongst so many others, to represent the "TRAILBLAZERS".

Conduct Policy:

- **Leadership and Sportsmanship at all events – Representation of the School**
- **Academics take more importance than practices or games – "Student Comes First"**
- **Abide by rules established by coach**
- **Unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated**

Prior to any athletic participation All Student-Athletes must be fully cleared on Finalforms

- **A fully clear status is indicated by account in full green status or in some cases, yellow for expiring medical clearance**
    - **Medical clearance forms are not physical forms, they must be completed yearly**
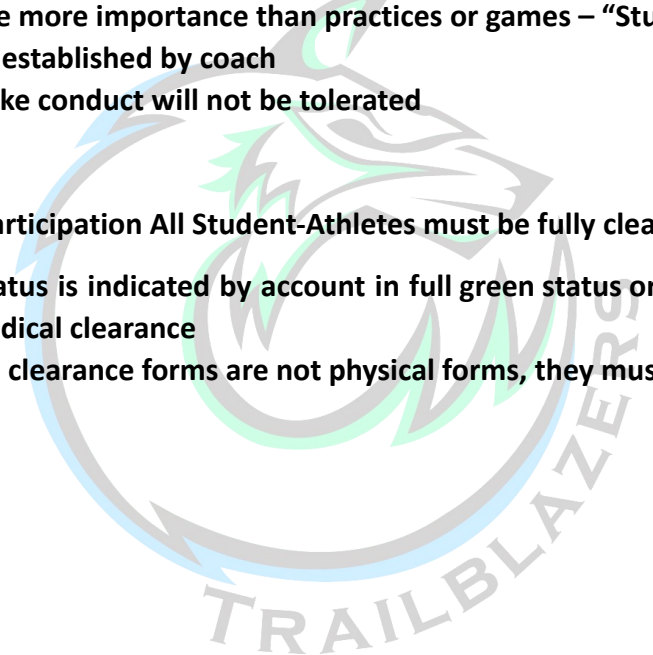
HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY

1. **Passing is considered a 2.0 or higher.**

2. **The 5+1 Rule:**
   2.1. **In order to gain and/ or maintain eligibility a student-athlete must pass five credit bearing courses (not 5 credits) + physical education.**
   2.2. **At least three of the five subjects passed must be core subjects – English, Mathematics, Social Studies, Science, Foreign/World Language, and/or Major Courses requiring at least 2-year sequence.**
   2.3. **An elective course grade will be considered to complete the 5+1 rule in the event a student is taking less than 3 core subject courses.**
   2.4. **When a student-athlete has satisfied the requirements for graduation, any credit-bearing courses may be used to evaluate eligibility for the 5+1 rule.**
   2.5. **A senior programmed for 5 or fewer classes may fail one class and remain eligible, if the failed class is not a graduation requirement, and they meet all other eligibility requirements.**

3. **The 10-Credit Rule:**
   3.1. **A student-athlete must accumulate a minimum of 10 credits, NOT including physical education, in the two terms prior to the eligibility evaluation period (all credits accumulated in summer school are included). The evaluation of the 10-credit rule begins when a student enters their third term of high school.**
   3.2. **A senior who did not meet the PSAL 10-Credit Rule due to one failed class during their junior year, or one failed class in the first semester of their senior year, can remain eligible if they:**
      3.2.1. **Meet all other PSAL academic eligibility requirements, and**
      3.2.2. **Earned at least 34 credits on their transcript by the end of junior year, and**
      3.2.3. **Are in good academic standing to graduate by the end of the current school year, and**
      3.2.4. **Have been approved through an official Academic Eligibility Review.**

4. **Eligibility will be evaluated two times during the academic year**
   4.1. **Fall Athletics Season + 1st Half of Winter Athletics Season Eligibility is determined by previous 2nd Semester (Spring/Summer School) Transcript - (Exception to 9th graders)**
   4.2. **2nd Half Winter Athletics Season + Spring Athletics Season Eligibility is determined by 1st Semester Transcript**

5. **Eligibility Continued:**
   5.1. **Official Transcripts are only indicators of academic eligibility status.**
   5.2. **A passing summer school grade can be used in calculating the fall season requirement.**
   5.3. **APEX courses that have been passed and reflecting on Transcript are considered for the 10-Credit rule**
   5.4. **A student-athlete who is academically ineligible may become academically eligible by meeting the 5+1 requirement in the most recent semester grades, provided the student fulfills the 10-credit rule and the GPA requirement.**
   5.5. **A student-athlete who is academically ineligible may practice with their team provided they have a medical and parent consent form on file and are listed on the inactive roster.**

6. **Attendance and Lateness**
   6.1. **Student-athletes who are ABSENT cannot attend practice or a game on day of absence unless they provide an official doctor's note**
   6.2. **Student-athletes who are LATE on game day cannot participate in the game unless they provide an official doctor's note to be reviewed by the operations department**
      6.2.1. **Absence or Lateness must be officially excused on attendance and lateness log to approve participation**
      6.2.2. **Emergency situations will be considered on a case by case basis - official change on log is still required before participation**
      6.2.3. **Student-athletes who are chronically late will be at risk of becoming ineligible to participate in games. This will be handled on a case by case basis**
   6.3. **Student-athletes must maintain a 90% attendance rate to remain eligible each semester**
   6.4. **Student-athletes must be present for each scheduled class on game day to be allowed to participate in game**
      6.4.1. **Leaving early will result in denied participation unless doctors note is provided or emergency situation is approved - official change on log is required before participation**

7. **Other Eligibility Factors:**
   7.1. **Student-athletes cannot attend away games/matches during ineligible status**
   7.2. **Student-athletes must sit on the bench, in school uniform, at home events**
   7.3. **Student-athletes are held to a standard of behavior and conduct. Failure to uphold this standard will result in disciplinary action.**
      7.3.1. **Additional actions impacting athletic eligibility status related to behavior will be on a case by case basis.**

7.3.1.1. For example: student-athlete suspension on days of scheduled games or practices will result in student-athletes not attending. Outside of those days the consequences are on a case by case basis