



SECTION: 516

TITLE: ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY FOR STUDENT PARTICIPATION IN HIGH SCHOOL CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES/ATHLETICS

NESHAMINY SCHOOL DISTRICT

1	I. PURPOSE	The purpose of this policy is to encourage students participating in co-curricular activities/athletics to meet their academic requirements.	1
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4	II. MARKING PERIOD ELIGIBILITY	For the first marking period, only incoming grade 10 students will be held to P.I.A.A. eligibility requirements (passing at least four full-credit subjects or the equivalent). Upon issuance of first marking period report cards, 10 th grade students must meet eligibility requirements established for grade 11 and 12 students.	4
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9		Any 11 th -12 th grade student who fails more than one major subject or the equivalent at the completion of a marking period will not be eligible to participate in high school sponsored co-curricular activities/athletics.	9
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11		Upon the date of issuance of the report card, the student will remain ineligible for a period of three weeks. After the conclusion of the first two weeks of ineligibility, the participant may circulate an eligibility update form to be signed by all of his/her teachers and reviewed by the assistant principal in charge of co-curricular programs. If the student is passing all but one major subject, the student may be permitted to resume participation/practice in the respective activity. Full eligibility to compete will be restored following an academic review after the third week of probation is completed.	11
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20		The end of the year grades of the previous school year for students in grades 10 and 11 will determine eligibility for participation at the beginning of the subsequent year. Successful completion of work at summer school may be used to produce passing grades in subject failed.	20
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25	III. WEEKLY ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS	All athletics and educational activities at the high school level are covered by this policy.	25
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27		Students scheduled for classes in conjunction with a co-curricular activity (i.e. band, yearbook, etc.) may continue to participate in classroom activities during the time they are ineligible, but they are denied the opportunity to participate in the co-curricular activities.	27
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Athletes may not participate in scrimmages or games while they are ineligible.
Athletes who have become ineligible due to failure to comply with weekly
P.I.A.A .requirements may continue to practice based on a decision of the
assistant principal in charge of athletics. Continued weekly ineligibility will
result in a loss of the privilege to practice.

**IV.
ENFORCEMENT
OF POLICY**

The principal of the high school is responsible for the enforcement of the
policy establishing appropriate procedures to be followed by coaches and
sponsors of the co-curricular activities/athletics.
All athletes covered by P.I.A.A .regulations must continue to meet such
regulations as are established by the P.I.A.A. This also applies to students
going from middle to high school in all co-curricular areas.

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