

VI. ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY

A. The Utah High School Activity Association (UHSAA) and the Grand County School Board and High School support the U.S. Supreme Court rulings regarding education and extra-curricular activities. First, prepare students to be good citizens and second, teach them to be self-reliant and self-sufficient. Activities of the UHSAA and Grand County High School contribute to both of these goals. Activities are a privilege earned by meeting the rules and standards set by the school.

B. The Grand County School Board places strong emphasis on student academic achievement and requires all students participating in extra-curricular and extended class activities to maintain the following academic standing on order to be eligible to represent their school in team sports competition, specialty groups, and extended class activities.

1. A participant must be a full time student or meet the Grand County Board of Education requirements under Utah Law and approval of the superintendent.

2. Participants must maintain a 2.000 GPA and have no failing grades at the end of term grading period (final trimester grades) and during the three-week eligibility checks. If at the end of the trimester the student fails to meet this requirement, the student will be deemed ineligible for the upcoming sports season. Third trimester grades will determine eligibility for the fall sports season. Summer school or an approved program may be used in the summer to make up for any deficiencies. The deficiency/deficiencies must be made up in the same subject area.

3. Transfer students and foreign exchange students will not be allowed to participate until the necessary paperwork has been completed and all officials deem the student to be eligible.

4. Students are encouraged to attend after school tutoring time with teachers as needed. Coaches should at least one day per week start practice later to help support student academic success.

5. Citizenship grades also determine eligibility. A participant with two or more U's will be ineligible. Ten hours of community service under the direction of the athletic director will cancel one U for eligibility, but will not cancel the U from the report card.

6. During the three-week grade checks if a student has not met the eligibility standard they will serve a mandatory one day of contests and performances suspension in the next scheduled contest or performance. This includes, but not limited to; not being able to travel and represent the team. If a student believes there is an error in their grades used to determine eligibility, the student should visit with the teacher or teachers where the grade is in question. If a correctable opportunity exists, the teacher will provide written notification of the correctable opportunity to the AD or administration where eligibility will be re-checked. If there is not a correctable opportunity, the student will serve the mandatory one day of contests and performances suspension. An ineligible student's grades will be checked again after the mandatory day of contest/performance suspension. If he/she is eligible they will be able to return to the team. If not, the student will be suspended for the next scheduled day of contests/performances. This will continue until the student shows eligibility.

7. Students must remember they bare the responsibility of their eligibility. At no time during the process of a student working to regain their eligibility, or determine if there is a correctable opportunity, will he/she interrupt the teacher's instruction or the education of other students. Questions, concerns, or efforts to restore eligibility will be dealt with only

during pass time, lunch, after school, or by appointment with the teacher(s). Failure to do so will result in further disciplinary action taken by the administration.

8. An ineligible student may only practice with the team. They can not travel, represent the team or school, or compete.

9. Academic work:

a) Participants need to plan properly for their events when school time is going to be missed. If they are going to be absent from any class the day of an event, they should turn in their work ahead of time or made arrangements with the teacher prior to departure. Failure to do so may result in the loss of credit.

b) Always communicate with your teachers and be proactive regarding your education.

10. If a student withdraws/drops a course after the 10 day add/drop due to a grade or parent request, the student-athlete will be required to keep the withdraw grade as part of the eligibility check. If the grade declares the student-athlete ineligible, he/she will be required to sit out the one contest day limitation. After the contest the new class/grade will be factored in to determine the eligibility of the student-athlete.

11. If a class is dropped at a point in the trimester in which no credit can be earned from the new class, the drop grade will be official for the mid-term, 9 week, and final grade check.