

# **Policy JJIC- Eligibility/Minimum Standards for Participation**

## Eligibility

A student may try out for a sport or cheerleading if the student meets the following league eligibility standards:

1. All athletes shall meet Colorado High School Activity Association (CHSAA) eligibility requirements.
2. All students shall be certified weekly to comply with CHSAA eligibility requirements.
3. All students shall remain on computerized eligibility lists so that grades may be monitored at marking periods.
4. All support systems shall be available to assist those students having difficulty.
5. All ninth grade students shall be eligible for the fall and winter seasons by meeting CHSAA requirements. Starting with the spring season, students will be required to additionally meet District required 2.0 standards as well as CHSAA standards to be eligible.
6. Student athletes in the 10th through 12th grades shall be eligible as follows:
  - a. Those students having a 2.0 grade point average (GPA) for the end of the previous second semester shall be eligible for the following fall and winter seasons unless they fail to meet weekly eligibility requirements.
  - b. Students not having a 2.0 GPA for the end of the previous second semester shall be eligible for the following fall season until the CHSAA mandated recertification date but shall be required to have a certified 2.0 GPA on that date. If not certified at the end of the first marking period, the student shall be ineligible for the rest of the fall season.

Tennis and golf players shall be required to have a certified 2.0 GPA at the end of the fourth week of school. If not certified, they shall be ineligible for the rest of the season.
  - c. Students not having a 2.0 GPA for the end of the previous second semester shall be eligible for the following winter season until the end of the current first semester but shall be required to have a certified 2.0 GPA on that date. If not certified at the end of the first semester, they shall be ineligible for the rest of the winter season.
  - d. Those students having a 2.0 GPA at the end of the first semester shall be eligible for the entire spring season unless they fail to meet weekly eligibility requirements.

e. Students not having a 2.0 GPA at the end of the first semester shall be eligible until the CHSAA mandated recertification date but shall be required to have a certified 2.0 GPA on that date. If not certified at the end of the third marking period, a student shall be ineligible for the rest of the spring season.

7. Cheerleader eligibility requirements shall be as follows:

a. Candidates shall have a 2.0 GPA at the end of the first semester.

b. Candidates shall have been enrolled in five classes (25 hours) the semester previous to the tryouts and shall be enrolled in five classes (25 hours) and shall not be failing in more than one class (five hours) at the time of tryouts.

c. Cheerleaders shall meet the same eligibility requirements as athletes and shall be certified in the same manner.

#### Student support system

1. A structured support process shall be implemented at each high school. Options shall include a required study hall, an eligibility specialist, tutorial assistance, counseling services, athletic seminars and summer school attendance.

2. Identification of all student athletes-at-risk shall be determined through weekly eligibility reports.

3. Post-season support shall be maintained.

4. Periodic evaluations shall be made of the support system at each school.

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