

Downey Unified School District

STUDENTS

ELIGIBILITY FOR EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

AR 2380

Students in grades 6-12 participating and competing in extracurricular activities shall be required to comply with the standards prescribed in this regulation. Such activities include, but are not limited to:

- Interscholastic Athletics
- Pep Squad (Cheer Leaders, Song Leaders)
- Drill Team
- Mascots
- Student Council
- Band
- Academic/Career-Tech Education Competitions
- Choir
- Color Guard
- Dance Team

Eligibility Standards

1. Academic

- a. Students participating in extracurricular activities shall be required to maintain or exceed a "C" (2.0 GPA) average with not more than two "D's" and/or "F's." In computing grade point averages (GPA) at the middle school level, achievement grades shall be calculated as follows: "E" (4 points), "S+" (3 points), "S" (2 points), "S-" (1 point), and "N" (0 points).
- b. Any class which is graded on a credit/no credit basis shall be excluded in computing grade point averages (GPA).
- c. Eligibility shall be based upon the previous grading period, and this requirement must be achieved during each grading period that the student is participating.
- d. Students entering the ninth grade who are scholastically ineligible shall be allowed to participate on a probationary basis for the first quarter.
- e. Transfer students entering from another district must meet CIF Initial Scholastic Eligibility requirements (2.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale in enrolled courses at the conclusion of the previous grading period) in order to be eligible. Transfer students have one quarter following their transfer to meet additional district eligibility requirements.

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 - f. High school students shall meet the minimum proficiency standards as prescribed for their grade level in AR 3126.
2. Citizenship
 - a. A student on suspension is ineligible to attend or participate in extracurricular activities throughout the period of suspension.
 - b. Any student who accumulates within a school year seven days or three instances of suspension from school, including in-house suspension when the student is removed from his/her classes for the day, shall immediately become ineligible and remain ineligible for the following semester.
 - c. Any student receiving more than two "5's" (Unacceptable) in citizenship on his/her report card shall be ineligible for the next reporting period.

Waiver Process

Students with exceptional academic problems identified special needs who have not met the above standards may petition the administration to be allowed to participate on a probationary basis until the next grading period.

1. A committee composed of an administrator, the student's counselor, and a teacher shall be appointed by the principal to review the petition. The teacher on this committee shall neither have the student in class nor be involved in the extracurricular activity for which the student is petitioning.
2. Parents/guardians of the student may be requested to participate in the committee's review of the petition.
3. The committee's recommendation shall be submitted to the principal for final action.
4. A report of reasons for the final approval of any petition shall be forwarded to the Assistant Superintendent and provided to the Board of Education.

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