

POLICY #72

**INELIGIBILITY FOR EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES
(POOR GRADES)**

The purpose of this policy is to encourage and promote student achievement and set guidelines for student eligibility for school sponsored co-curricular activities, events and sports.

In the middle school, a student who is failing one subject may participate in co-curricular activities, events and sports. A middle school student who is failing two subjects can practice for co-curricular activities and sports, but may not participate in games, footlights productions, dances, ski club, competitions, etc. A middle school student who is failing three or more subjects cannot participate in co-curricular activities, sports or events. At each five-week reporting period (progress or report card) academic status will be assigned.

On the Thursday after the first full week of ineligibility, a student may request to be re-evaluated. If they are passing, they may improve their status or be taken off the ineligibility list.

In the high school, a student with two failures in five weeks is placed on probation. A high school student with two failures in two consecutive five-week periods makes the student ineligible. When a high school student becomes ineligible, he/she cannot participate in any co-curricular activity, sport or event. Any high school student who fails three subjects or more becomes ineligible for the next five-week marking period. At the conclusion of the five-week period, grades would be reviewed and the high school student with one failure or no failure would become eligible again.

At the end of the school year, the student who failed two or more subjects in the fourth-quarter, but earned course credit will NOT be considered ineligible. However, the student will be placed on probation for the first five (5) weeks in the next school year.

A student becomes ineligible at the end of the school year as a result of failing two or more subjects in the fourth quarter and NOT earning course credit. The student will be allowed to practice in pre-season the following August and will be required to sit out the first 25% of the games for the fall season. The student will be considered to be on probation for the remainder of the first five (5) week marking period. Students may satisfy the required remediation period upon attendance in and successful completion of an approved summer school program. Students who choose the summer school option restore their eligibility for the next fall season.

At the high school, an appeal committee consisting of the High School Principal, Guidance Counselor, off-season coach, in-season coach, teacher, and if need be, the Director of Special Education may be convened to look into specific eligibility matters. The decision of the Committee is final.

Greene Central School defines co-curricular activities, events and sports as those listed on the school's parental consent forms, and as outlined in this policy

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