

Academic Eligibility Requirements

All participants in grades 7 – 12 shall have all passing grades during each four and one-half weeks reporting period. A passing grade is considered a D-. If they do not, they will be ineligible to participate for at least one full week in all school activities that are considered co-curricular or extracurricular. Grades for the purpose of determining eligibility will be evaluated prior to the start of the school day on Fridays beginning the third week of each quarter. Students identified as having a failing grade on Friday morning will not be eligible to participate in co-curricular or extracurricular games, contests or events for seven days beginning the following Monday and continuing through Sunday. Students will be able to participate in practices during periods of ineligibility. If school is not held on Friday, grades may be checked prior to the start of school on Monday. Students will only be eligible to participate in games, contests or events if passing grades are earned each time they are reviewed for eligibility.

The school office will be responsible for providing the coaches with a list of the students failing courses and notifying the students of their ineligibility. The office will provide an updated list weekly on the status of the students' eligibility that will be distributed to the teachers and directors of the activities.

At the semester break eligibility will be based on the second nine weeks (quarter) grade, not the semester grade. If a student is failing a course after the second nine weeks and they are no longer in that course for the second semester they will be ineligible one week beginning with the first contest/activity. Eligibility for sports or activities (grades 9-12) will be based on the Nebraska High School Activities minimum requirements of twenty credits in the prior semester. If a student fails a course the fourth nine weeks and the student has qualified for the State Golf or State Track Meet, that student will be ineligible to participate in those events.

This policy includes, but is not limited to, the following activities: basketball, cheerleading, drill team, football, one act play, speech, student council, class plays, volleyball, track, golf, musicals, and jazz band.

Other infractions, which are not dealt with specifically by these rules, will be handled on an individual basis by the school administration.

The above rules have been adopted by the Homer Board of Education as minimum standards to be followed by all extracurricular participants of Homer Community School District and are in effect 365 days per year.

Attendance and Academics

Student participants are expected to apply themselves academically by following these expectations:

1. Attend school regularly and show evidence of sincere effort towards scholastic achievement.
2. Be on time for all scheduled practices, contests and departure for contests. In the event a participant is unable to attend a practice or contests he/she should contact the coach or sponsor in advance.
3. Attendance, for the full day, the day of a contest is required to be eligible for the contest that day.
4. Arrangements in advance for extenuating circumstances, such as doctor/dentist appointments, funerals or other activities, can be made with the building Principal in writing. Every attempt should be made to be in attendance the day of a contest.

Sleeping in to rest up for the game will not be considered an extenuating circumstance, nor will going home ill and then returning to play in the contest later that day.

Appearance

Participants will dress appropriately for the activity in which they are involved and will at all times maintain a neat, clean and well groomed appearance.

2012-2013 INELIGIBILITY POLICY

Ineligibility grades are based on quarter averages and the grades will be checked each Friday morning starting the 3rd or 4th week of each quarter. Grades will be checked weekly and at the end of every quarter.

A student's ineligible period will run from Monday-Sunday.

1st Quarter

1st check- Sept. 7

1st day on ineligibility

Sept. 10

Sept. 17

Sept. 24

Oct. 1

Oct. 8

Oct. 15 (last week for 1st qtr)

3rd Quarter

1st check- Jan. 25

1st day of ineligibility

Jan. 28

Feb. 4

Feb. 11

Feb. 18

Feb. 25

March 4

March 11 (last week for 3rd qtr)

2nd Quarter

1st check- Nov. 9

1st day on ineligibility

Nov. 12

Nov. 19

Dec. 3

Dec. 10

Dec. 17 (last week for 2nd qtr)

4th Quarter

1st check-March 29

1st day on ineligibility

April 1

April 8

April 15

April 22

April 29

May 6 (last week for 4th qtr)