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SCHOLASTIC STANDING: ELIGIBILITY RULES

Dear Thomas Families,

This letter is intended to inform all parents who have children participating as athletes in the following sports: BASKETBALL, VOLLEYBALL, POMS, CHEERLEADING, TRACK & CROSS-COUNTRY. The IESA (Illinois Elementary School Association) has rules regarding participation in athletics. One of the rules is students' scholastic standing or grades throughout the athletic season. We are bound to check eligibility throughout the season on a weekly basis. It is our responsibility to ensure that our athletes are not only competitive in their sport, but maintaining passing grades in the classroom. Athletes who have an F will not be eligible to participate in the sport for one full week after the check is completed on Friday. The student should be notified on Friday by the building administration that they will not be eligible from Monday through Saturday of the following week. The eligibility check will occur again each Friday and the athlete may be eligible if their grade has improved above an F. Although behavior is not specifically mentioned the coach always reserves the right to determine whether a player is given less minutes of participation for behavior not representative of our student athletes.

For further clarification the following information is from the IESA guidelines:

ELIGIBILITY:

2.042 A student shall be doing passing work as determined by the local school district in all school subjects and the school shall certify compliance with this By-Law. Use of a player, contestant, or participant shall be deemed such certification.

2.043 For all IESA activities, athletic as well as non-athletic, passing work shall be checked weekly. Eligibility will be applied to the **Monday through Saturday** following the week that was checked. Students must be passing each subject each week to be eligible. Grades shall be cumulative for the school's grading period.

2.044 The eligibility check shall be the same day each week unless school is not in session; then it must be taken on the last day of student attendance that week.

2.045 For fall sports, the first eligibility check shall be made following the first full week of attendance at the beginning of the school year. During the succeeding weeks of the school year, the eligibility check shall begin the week prior to the first contest in an activity.

Most important to note is that "passing per week" is determined by measuring a student's performance on a cumulative basis from the beginning of a school's grading period through the date on which the check is made. The check should not reflect only a given school week's scholastic performance; rather it should-reflect the student's cumulative performance for the grading period through the date of the check. Schools are expected to conduct this weekly check in a consistent manner. Student eligibility or ineligibility is then affected on the Monday following the week that was checked and the entire next week, Monday through Saturday, the student is ineligible. The following Wednesday, the process is repeated. A student becoming scholastically ineligible by the weekly eligibility check must remain ineligible for one full calendar week before possibly becoming eligible again.

Thank you for supporting our student athletes and if you have any further questions please contact the front office to speak with me directly.

Sincerely, Buin A Kaye

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