

Student-Athlete Eligibility Policy**High School Checklist**

1. () Enrolled in four full-time courses (*CIAC Rule 1.B.*).
2. () Passing in four full-time courses (*CIAC Rule 1.B.*).
3. () Maintained a numerical average of 70.0 or higher **OR** a 2.0 GPA during the marking period preceding and during the student's participation (see conversion table attached). Changes in a student's academic eligibility status commence on the date of district report card distribution. **Exception: Grade 9 Fall Sports only.**
4. () **Fall Sports:** Earned four credits toward graduation in the preceding school year (*CIAC Rule 1.A.*).
5. () Is an enrolled student in the school for which playing (*CIAC Rule II.A.*).
6. () Has never dropped out of school (*CIAC Rule II.A.*).
7. () Has not changed schools without parents moving to another school district or school service area (*CIAC Rule II.C. - see exceptions.*).
8. () **For the class of 2007, 2008, 2009:** Has not played more than three (3) seasons of same sport after entering grade ten (10) (*CIAC Rule II.B.*).
- () **For the class of 2010 and beyond:** Has not attended more than eight (8) consecutive semesters or four (4) consecutive years of school after entering grade nine (*CIAC Rule II.B. and specific exceptions as stated therein apply.*)*
9. () Has not turned 19 years of age before July 1 of this school year (*CIAC Rule II.B.*).
10. () Has not played or practiced the sport with another team during the high school season for the sport (*CIAC Rule II.E.*).
11. () Has not been on more than one school team in the same season nor represented more than one school in the same season at the same time (*CIAC Rule II.D.*).
12. () Has not received a salary or personal economic gain for playing the sport or competed under an assumed name (*CIAC Rule II.F.*).
13. () Is not a member of a school team of the opposite gender (boy on a girl's team) (*CIAC Rule IV.F.*).
14. () Has not been recruited to attend this high school for athletic purposes (*CIAC Rule IV.C.*).
15. () Is a foreign exchange student registered with the Council on Standards for International Educational Travel (CSIET) (*CIAC Rule II.C.4.*).
16. () Is complying with all additional CIAC and school athletic regulations.
17. () Every athlete who participates in any tryout, practice, or contest must first be determined physically fit through an annual, written pre-participation medical evaluation conducted by a licensed medical professional. The Waterbury Public Schools will explore opportunities to lessen the financial impact for student/athletes for this service.

* A student has eight (8) consecutive semesters or four (4) consecutive years of eligibility from the date of entry into the ninth grade to be eligible for interscholastic competition. Date of entry is defined as the first date of enrollment as a grade 9 student taking four (4) or more high school subjects. (1) Students who are not eligible or elect to not participate do not preserve additional semesters for use at a later time. That is, there is no fifth year of eligibility per se.

NOTE: *The use of this checklist does not absolve the athlete of the responsibility of checking eligibility against the complete rules and regulations contained in the document entitled "Rules of Eligibility and Control for Boys and Girls High School Athletics in Connecticut", effective July 1, 2006.*

STUDENTS MUST NOT DETERMINE THEIR ELIGIBILITY. THIS IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE SCHOOL. This checklist is for the coach, athletic director, principal, assistant principal, guidance counselor or athlete to enable him/her to become aware of the CIAC rules of eligibility.

Student-Athlete Eligibility Policy, continued

High School

WATERBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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GPA Conversion Scale for Athletic Eligibility

This table is utilized for the sole purpose of determining eligibility for students to participate in *Waterbury High School Athletics*. (not applicable for class rank).

Grade	GPA		Grade	GPA		Grade	GPA		Grade	GPA
100	4.0		89	3.9		79	2.9		69	1.8
99	4.0		88	3.8		78	2.8		68	1.6
98	4.0		87	3.7		77	2.7		67	1.4
97	4.0		86	3.6		76	2.6		66	1.2
96	4.0		85	3.5		75	2.5		65	1.0
95	4.0		84	3.4		74	2.4			
94	4.0		83	3.3		73	2.3			
93	4.0		82	3.2		72	2.2			
92	4.0		81	3.1		71	2.1			
91	4.0		80	3.0		70	2.0			
90	4.0									

*all grades rounded off to the nearest one tenth

Eligibility Calculations – Examples

*In order to be eligible to play, a given student must maintain a 2.0 Grade Point Average (GPA) or higher and/or a 70.0 or better numeric average in the marking period immediately preceding, and during, the student's participation. Changes in a student's academic eligibility status commence on the date of district report card distribution.**

Example #1
CHS Student X

	<u>#</u>	<u>GPA</u>
Algebra I	73	2.3
World Civ. I	81	3.1
English I	62	0.0
Spanish I	61	0.0
Earth Science	55	0.0
Art I	87	3.7
Health & Cond.	82	3.2
Total	501	12.3
Average	71.6*	1.75

*Eligible to play by virtue of 70.0 + avg.

Example #2
KHS Student Y

	<u>#</u>	<u>GPA</u>
Geometry	72	2.2
US History	81	3.1
English II	60	0.0
Chemistry	25	0.0
Keyboarding	81	3.1
Art II	81	3.1
Concert Band	81	3.1
Total	481	14.6
Average	68.7	2.08*

*Eligible to play by virtue of GPA

Example #3
WHS Student Z

	<u>#</u>	<u>GPA</u>
Algebra II	70	2.0
US History	80	3.0
English III	60	0.0
Biology	70	2.0
Italian II	55	0.0
Marketing	80	3.0
Chorus	70	2.0
Total	485	12.0
Average	69.3	1.71

*Ineligible to play by virtue of substandard GPA and 70.0 avg.

* Exception to academic eligibility requirement: Grade 9 Fall Sports only.

Student-Athlete Eligibility Policy, continued**Middle School Checklist**

1. () Passing in no less than four core academic courses.
2. () Maintained a numerical average of 70.0 or higher OR a 2.0 GPA during the marking period preceding and during the student's participation (see conversion table attached). Changes in a student's academic eligibility status commence on the date of district report card distribution.
3. () Is an enrolled student in the school for which playing, or within its district while attending a public school of choice.
4. () Has not changed schools without parents moving within the district or school service area.
5. () Has not played more than two (2) seasons of the same sport after entering grade eight.
6. () Has not turned 16 years of age before July 1 of this school year.
7. () Has not been on more than one school team in the same season nor represented more than one school during the same season at the same time.
8. () Has not received a salary or personal economic gain for playing the sport or competed under an assumed name.
9. () Has not been recruited to attend this middle school solely for athletic purposes.
10. () Is complying with all additional school rules and regulations.
11. () Every athlete who participates in any tryout, practice, or contest must first be determined physically fit through an annual, written pre-participation medical evaluation conducted by a licensed medical professional. The Waterbury Public Schools will explore opportunities to lessen the financial impact for student/athletes for this service.

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Student-Athlete Eligibility Policy, continued

Middle School

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GPA Conversion Scale for Athletic Eligibility

This table is utilized for the sole purpose of determining eligibility for students to participate in *Waterbury Middle School Athletics*. (not applicable for class rank)

Grade	GPA		Grade	GPA		Grade	GPA		Grade	GPA
100	4.0		89	3.9		79	2.9		69	1.8
99	4.0		88	3.8		78	2.8		68	1.6
98	4.0		87	3.7		77	2.7		67	1.4
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92	4.0		81	3.1		71	2.1			
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90	4.0									

*all grades rounded off to the nearest one tenth

Eligibility Calculations – Examples

#1: WSMS Student X

	<u>N</u>	<u>GPA</u>
✓ Math	73	2.3
✓ Social Studies	81	3.1
✓ Language Arts	66	1.2
✓ Reading	66	1.2
✓ Science	50	0.0
Art	73	2.3
Phys Ed.	92	4.0
Life Mgmt.	50	0.0
General Music	80	3.0
CMT Skills	70	2.0
Total	701	19.1
Average	70.1*	1.8

#2: NEMS Student Y

	<u>N</u>	<u>GPA</u>
Math	70	2.0
Social Studies	81	3.1
Language Arts	71	2.1
Reading	81	3.1
Science	41	0.0
Art	91	4.0
Phys. Ed.	70	2.0
Life Mgmt.	80	3.0
Chorus	65	1.0
CMT Skills	46	0.0
Total	696	20.0
Average	69.6	2.0*

#3: WMS Student Z

	<u>N</u>	<u>GPA</u>
Math	60	0.0
Social Studies	82	3.2
Language Arts	60	0.0
Reading	71	2.1
Science	45	0.0
Art	74	2.4
Phys. Ed.	83	3.3
Life Mgmt.	68	1.6
Band	82	3.2
CMT Skills	65	1.0
Total	688	15.0
Average	68.8	1.5

*Eligible to play by numeric average and passing 4+ academics

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INELIGIBLE TO PLAY
in all 3 categories

✓ Denotes status as core academic subject

In the event that a student is deemed academically ineligible to play, coaches may elect, at their discretion, to require the student-athlete to continue to attend and/or participate in practices with the team while ineligible to compete in game play. Coaches may elect to accommodate a student in such a manner for up to one (1) full marking period, maximum. Changes in a student's academic eligibility status commence on the date of district report card distribution.