

Academic Eligibility

The Sleepy Eye School District 84 is committed to the continuous progress of education for its students. Eligibility to participate in interscholastic and extra-curricular activities is considered a privilege. District 84 has established the following educational requirements for participation in interscholastic and extra-curricular activities.

2014-2015 school year:

- Students must maintain a cumulative GPA of 1.33 on a 4.0 scale

2015-2016 school year and beyond:

- Students must maintain a cumulative GPA of 1.67 on a 4.0 scale
OR
- Students must average a GPA of 2.0 with no F's the previous semester

Fall semester eligibility will be determined by the previous spring semester's GPA including any summer courses taken. A student who successfully completes a course during the summer, which was failed or incomplete during the second semester of the previous school year, will become academically eligible in the fall semester. Successful completion is considered either a minimum grade of D- or a PASS in a PASS/FAIL course.

Eligibility Exception

- Students that have not met either GPA requirement have the option of requesting an Eligibility Waiver of the GPA requirement for one semester, provided they are meeting all MSHSL requirements AND are devoting additional time to improving their overall academic achievement. The requirements for making this request are as follows:
 - An Eligibility Waiver form requesting this waiver must be completed by the Athletic Director or Activity Director for the activity in which the student is involved.
 - The student and the student's parent(s) or legal guardian must sign the request form.
 - In addition, a "Passing All Classes Teacher Signature"(PACTS) form must be completed by all of the student's teachers, indicating whether or not the student is making additional and substantial effort towards improving their understanding of course material.
 - The student must present the completed Eligibility Waiver form to the Appeals Committee and make his/her case for requesting the Eligibility Waiver.
- Submitting a request does not guarantee that the student will automatically be made eligible.
- The Appeals Committee will be comprised of (3) randomly selected School Board Members, (1) Administrator, and (1) High School Counselor.

Academic Probation

Students who are not achieving passing grades in ALL classes at the end of each grade check (approximately every two weeks from the beginning of the school year), will be placed on Academic Probation for the remainder of the semester.

- Students on Academic Probation will be allowed to practice and participate in activities.
- Students will be determined to be Academically Ineligible if, at the end of the next grade check, they are again failing to achieve passing grades in ALL classes.
- Students on Academic Probation at the end of the second semester will return to academic good standing at the beginning of the first semester the following year.

Academic Ineligibility

- Students that are Academically Ineligible will NOT be allowed to practice for the first half of any practice.
- Missed practice time MUST be devoted to improving overall academic achievement, i.e additional homework, getting extra help, retaking quizzes or tests, etc...
- Students that are Academically Ineligible will NOT be allowed to perform, compete, or participate in events or activities as a member of a team, cast or organization for a minimum of two weeks.
- Academically Ineligible students may return to probationary status before the next grade check period by securing a " Passing All Classes Teacher Signature" (PACTS) form, and having all of the student's teachers sign off indicating that the student is passing all classes.
- Students that remain Academically Ineligible prior to the start of a new semester will remain Academically Ineligible for the first 2 events of the activity in the new semester.
 - Students will be allowed to practice prior to the beginning of classes in the fall semester
 - The number of events should not be equal to or greater than 25% of the regular season or scheduled performances.
 - Students must sit out both Category I and II activities.
 - PACT forms cannot return a student to Academic Eligibility in the first 2 weeks of a new semester or school year.
 - A student who successfully completes a course during the summer, which was failed or incomplete during the prior year second semester, can use the new grade for the purposes of determining eligibility. Successful completion is considered either a grade of D- or higher or a PASS in a PASS/FAIL course. This will return the student to Academic Eligibility until the first grade check of the new year.