

**CO-CURRICULAR AND ATHLETIC PROGRAMS AND HIGH SCHOOL
ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

The Board encourages students to participate in extra-curricular and athletic activities, provided that academic and behavioral guidelines established by schools are met.

High School students passing all courses in which they are enrolled are eligible to participate in extra-curricular and athletic programs.

Any student failing one (1) course will be placed on academic probation and will remain on probation until the next ranking period at which time his/her standing is reassessed as determined by the quarter grade, not the semester or final grade. Any course failure in the quarter following probation will result in immediate ineligibility.

A student on academic probation is allowed to continue program participation during the probationary quarter providing:

- a recovery plan is developed (a recovery plan is to be initiated by the student, developed in conjunction with the teacher and focused on positive, corrective action to achieve a passing grade in the failed course) within 2 weeks from the beginning of the quarter. Coaches/co-curricular advisors are also encouraged to participate in the development/monitoring of the recovery plan;
- the recovery plan is implemented with the student's full participation/compliance (absent a recovery plan within the timeline specified or student non-compliance with the plan will result in immediate ineligibility for the duration of the quarter).

Any student failing two (2) or more courses in one quarter is immediately ineligible to participate in extra-curricular and athletic programs. A student remains ineligible until the next ranking period at which time her/his standing is reassessed as determined by the quarter grade, not the semester or final grade.

This policy includes, but is not limited to, the following co-curricular activities and school sponsored clubs and activities:

- Speech & Debate
- Drama
- Students Activities Council
- Math Team
- Yearbook Staff
- Natural Helpers
- Footlighters
- French and Spanish Clubs
- Cultural Exchange Club
- use of unscheduled class time for seniors (beginning with grades recorded in the last quarter of the junior year)

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All students entering the ninth grade must meet the requirements set forth by Cape Elizabeth High School to be eligible to participate on school- sponsored teams and co-curricular activities. It is the third trimester/fourth quarter grade of the eighth grade year which determines a student's eligibility, not the year-end grade

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20A MRSA §§ 1001(9), (9A), 15)

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