

Asheboro City Schools
Athletic Eligibility – Middle School
Revised 2011

A. Age

1. Only students in grades 7 and 8 may participate in interscholastic athletic competition.
2. A student shall not participate on a middle school team if the student becomes 15 years of age on or before August 31st of that school year.
3. A student who is overage for middle school play shall be eligible for senior high school participation.

B. Eligibility

1. Eligibility shall be determined on a semester basis. If an athlete is "academically eligible" or "academically ineligible" at the beginning of any semester, that status is retained throughout the semester.
2. It shall be the responsibility of the principal to authorize the academic status of each student-athlete at the beginning of the semester.
3. A student must pass a minimum of one less than the number of courses taken each semester. A student who is repeating a grade is not eligible for participation during the first semester. The student may be eligible for participation during the second semester by meeting the academic requirement.
4. Eligibility lists shall be certified with the signature of the principal and filed with the local superintendent prior to the first game in that sport. One copy shall be kept in the office of the principal. Eligibility lists should be maintained at the school level for a period of 3 years.

C. Conduct of Student-Athletes

1) All student-athletes are subject to the Asheboro City Schools' *Requirements for Athletic Participation*. These requirements shall be shared with student-athletes and parents at a meeting held prior to the first contest. Signature pages shall be maintained by the coach throughout the athletic season.

2) A student who receives a grade of "U" in conduct in more than 1 class is ineligible indefinitely. Eligibility may be restored when the student no longer earns more than 1 "U" in conduct.

D. Attendance

A student must have been in attendance at least 85% of the previous semester in order to be eligible for participation.

E. Medical Form

A student must receive a medical examination each year (365 days) by a duly licensed physician, nurse practitioner, or physician, subject to North Carolina General Statute 90 (9, 18.1, 18.2).

F. Residence

A student must meet the residence criteria of North Carolina General Statute 115C (366a).

