



Arrupe Jesuit Athletic Department

Eligibility Policy

The Arrupe Athletic Department works on a two week eligibility policy. Every Tuesday at noon, the grades are pulled by the Vice-Principal, Fr. Gary Menard. For simplicity's sake, let's break it down into Week A and Week B

Week A: When grades are pulled on the first Tuesday of the cycle, there are no consequences attached. However, if your child is failing any classes, he will be called to the athletic director's office. The AD will inform your child that he is failing one or more classes. They will have a conversation regarding the class(es) and determine a plan to fix the grade before the following Tuesday.

Week B: The second Tuesday of the cycle is when the consequences come down. If your child is failing one class, he will be barred from participating *in games only* until the next Week B Tuesday (two weeks from that date). He is still expected to attend all team functions including study hall, practice and games.

If he is failing two or more classes, he will be barred from *all athletic activity*. While still expected to attend study hall, he will not be permitted to practice, play in games or spend time in the gym. The expectation is that he is spending all his time working hard to bring his grades up in order to rejoin the team as soon as possible.

Common Questions Answered

- Can the student-athlete regain eligibility before the next Week B Tuesday?
 - No. She is ineligible for the entire two week period regardless of when she brings her grades to passing levels.
- Why is the ineligible athlete required to attend practice, games and study hall?
 - Obviously, we all make mistakes and these have consequences. However, when you join a team, you're a part of something bigger than yourself. You will remain so until your actions show you no longer want to be a part of it.
- How can an athlete avoid these consequences?
 - The easiest way to maintain eligibility is to consistently work hard inside and outside the classroom. Everyone has bad days. But, if you generally maintain A's and B's, a poor test or quiz grade won't force your grade to an F.
 - Constantly communicate with teachers. It will keep you informed as to upcoming homework or tests. And your teachers will certainly notice your devotion to your grades. Truth be told, they do have favorites: the students who care.