

PHILOMATH YOUTH ACTIVITIES CLUB  
**ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY**  
REQUIREMENTS (GRADES 7-8)



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*The Philomath Youth Activities Club, in partnership with the Philomath School District, will be using the following Academic Eligibility requirements for our Football & Volleyball programs.*

### **ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS**

#### **RULE:**

A student athlete shall receive a passing grade and satisfactory citizenship mark in all classes in which they are enrolled. Eligibility checks will be made every Thursday of the season, starting with the Thursday before the first game week.

#### **VIOLATIONS:**

Student athletes are suspended from interscholastic competition until the next eligibility check. Athletes must participate in all practices and meetings and be in street clothes on the bench at all home games during their suspension. Students will **not** travel to any away games or meets during a time of ineligibility.

#### **PROCESS:**

- Teachers will submit academic grades and citizenship marks to the office on Thursday.
- The PMS Athletic Director or PYAC Director will notify the coaches of any students with an "F" or "NP" in any subject. The coach will then notify the student athlete.
- The student athlete will be ineligible until the next grade check.

Students and parents are reminded that assignments and current grades are available through the school's online grade check system. If you need your login information, contact the Philomath Middle School office.

### **CODE OF CONDUCT**

#### **RULE:**

Student athletes who have been disciplined by the school administration resulting in out-of-school or in-school suspension will be immediately suspended from their team. In addition, a student athlete who is given a police citation that is uncontested or is convicted of any violation will be immediately suspended from their team.

#### **FIRST OFFENSE FOR STUDENT ATHLETES:**

- Student athletes will be subject to participation suspension from their team for two calendar weeks, which must include a minimum of one interscholastic contest.
- While suspended from school the student athlete will not be allowed to practice or participate. Upon the return to school, the student athlete must attend all practices, meetings, and home contests for the remainder of the ten-day suspension.
- While under participation suspension, the student athlete will not be allowed to travel with the team and shall be in street clothes on the sideline at home contests.

#### **SECOND OFFENSE FOR STUDENT ATHLETES:**

Student athletes will be suspended for the remainder of the sport season.

## **SUBSTANCE & TOBACCO ABUSE POLICY**

### **RULE:**

During the athletic/activity season, student athletes will not use, possess, or sell: 1) alcohol, 2) controlled substances such as drugs, 3) tobacco in any form, or 4) any vaping products. Student athletes will not be in attendance with others while they are consuming alcoholic beverages, using or selling a controlled substance, using tobacco in any form, or using any vaping products. These rules apply to both on and off the school grounds.

### **FIRST OFFENSE FOR STUDENT ATHLETES:**

- Student athletes will be subject to participation suspension for two calendar weeks, which must include a minimum of one interscholastic contest. If suspended from school, the student athlete will not be allowed to practice or participate in contests. Upon their return to school, the student athlete must attend all practices, meetings, and home contests for the remainder of the ten-day suspension.
- While under participation suspension, the student athlete will not be allowed to travel with the team, and at home contests the location of the athlete will be at the discretion of the head coach.
- Student athletes who violate these rules will be referred to the counseling department for implementation of the intervention program.
- Student athletes not abiding with the stipulations of the penalties will subject themselves to five more days of participation suspension per violation.
- Participation suspensions will carry over from one sport season to the next. Multiple violations must be served consecutively (i.e., academic and substance abuse violations could not be served at the same time). Violations do not carry over from middle school to high school.

### **SECOND OFFENSE FOR STUDENT/ATHLETES:**

Student athletes will be suspended for the remainder of the sport season, referred to the counseling department for implementation of the intervention program, and follow their recommendations or be removed from sport participation for the remainder of the school year.