

Homer Central School  
Co-Curricular Academic Eligibility

The mission of the Homer Central School District is high academic standards for students. Interscholastic athletics/co-curricular activities are an integral part of the educational program at Homer. Our students must realize that the academic and athletic/co-curricular programs both strive to achieve this mission. The following Academic Eligibility Policy is established to ensure that the District's mission is being met.

- 1) Academic eligibility rules apply during the respective activity/sport season.
- 2) Eligibility will be based on the work of the student for the five-week period prior to participation and reviewed at each five-week report for all students. Eligibility lists will be prepared as soon as reports are issued.

Eligibility for the first five weeks of the school year will be based on the marks received the preceding June. In the event a student attends summer school to make up a deficiency, the summer school mark may be substituted for the June grade.

- 3) Eligibility shall be determined from grades in all subjects in which the student is enrolled. Dropping a class to allow athletic/co-curricular activity eligibility is not acceptable.
- 4) A student failing one class must attend a minimum of two extra help classes each week in that subject in order to stay eligible. Effort and progress must be demonstrated.
- 5) A student failing two courses will be placed on probationary status for two weeks. The probation period starts at the date of notification. Students will have this probationary period to bring their failing grades to a passing level by attending a minimum of two extra help classes each week in that subject in order to stay eligible. Effort and progress must be demonstrated. While on probation, students will be ineligible for contests. Game/activity attendance will be at the discretion of the coach or advisor.

Grades will be reviewed at the end of the two-week period. If the student, at the end of the two-week period, has not brought at least one of the failing grades up to a passing level, they will remain ineligible for further participation in contests for the remainder of the 5 week grading period. They will then be placed at the appropriate level using the new grade report.

- 6) A student failing more than two classes will be ineligible to sign up, try out for, or continue participation in activities. Students placed on ineligibility status will have their status reviewed using the next five-week report. Students will be placed at the appropriate eligibility level using the new grade report.
- 7) It is the student's responsibility to re-establish their eligibility. Athletic/activity contest participation can be re-established by having no more than one failing grade.