

Modesto City Schools  
Recommended Changes to Cocurricular and  
Extracurricular Eligibility Policy

Key: **Yellow Highlight** = Strikeout      **Green Highlight** = Additional Changes

Grade Level	Current Policy	Recommended Change
Academic Grades 7-12	In order for a pupil to participate in the extra-curricular activities listed above, as well as athletics (9-12); spirit leaders/cheerleaders (9-12); student government (7-12), the pupil shall achieve a grade point average of 2.0 with no more than one "F."	In order for a pupil to participate in the extra-curricular activities listed above, as well as athletics (7-12); spirit leaders/cheerleaders (7-12); student government (7-12), the pupil shall achieve a grade point average of 2.0. <b>with no more than one "F."</b>
Athletic Probation Grades 7-8	Three weeks after grades are released to students, any junior high student has five (5) school days to petition the principal/designee to be placed on academic probation and regain privileges. A student must maintain a "C" grade and satisfactory citizenship in each class to remain on probation.	Three weeks after grades are released to students, any junior high student has five (5) school days to petition the principal/designee to be placed on academic probation and regain privileges. A student must maintain a 2.0 GPA, <b>"C" grade</b> and satisfactory citizenship <b>in each class</b> to remain on probation.
Athletic Probation Grades 9-12	<p>Student-athletes who are academically ineligible are allowed one appeal during grades 9 and 10, and one time during grades 11 and 12, if they meet the MCS requirements for an appeal.</p> <p><b><u>Academic Appeal Requirements</u></b></p> <p>1. Student-athletes with a 1.8 GPA or above and/or have no more than 2 "Fs" are eligible to appeal. Student-athletes below a 1.8 GPA are not allowed to appeal. Student-athletes with more than two "F's" are not allowed to appeal.</p> <p>2. A student-athlete is not allowed to appeal if he/she was ineligible the prior grading period. Example: A student-athlete who is ineligible for his/her first quarter grades is not</p>	<p>Student-athletes who are academically ineligible are allowed one appeal during grades 9 and 10, and one time during grades 11 and 12, if they meet the MCS requirements for an appeal.</p> <p><b><u>Academic Appeal Requirements</u></b></p> <p>1. Student-athletes with a <b>1.5</b> <del>1.8</del> GPA or above and have no more than 2 "Fs" are eligible to appeal. Student-athletes below a <b>1.5</b> <del>1.8</del> GPA are not allowed to appeal. Student-athletes with more than two "F's" are not allowed to appeal.</p> <p>2. No change</p>

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	<p>eligible to appeal the next grading period (first semester grades).</p> <p>3. A student-athlete is not allowed to appeal to participate on a team that limits the number of students that may participate unless there is an available spot.</p> <p>4. A student-athlete that is not eligible due to disciplinary consequences, may not be considered for an academic appeal.</p> <p>5. A student-athlete who is currently ineligible will remain so until the next grading period when grades are officially posted. The Student-athlete must meet school eligibility requirements at that time to be eligible for athletic participation.</p> <p>6. Athletes who meet the Academic Appeal Requirements will be placed on team probation. The athlete will be allowed to stay with the team and participate in practices only. Students on probation may not travel with the team to games and may not dress with the team, nor sit on the bench or stand on the sideline with the team.</p> <p>7. At the end of the quarter, those athletes who have regained their eligibility may fully participate with the team on the official district eligibility date.</p>	<p>3. No change</p> <p>4. No change</p> <p>5. No change</p> <p>6. Athletes who meet the Academic Appeal Requirements will be placed on team probation. The athlete will be allowed to stay with the team, and participate in practices <b>only and games</b>. <del>Students on probation may not travel with the team to games and may not dress with the team, nor sit on the bench or stand on the sideline with the team.</del></p> <p>7. No Change</p>
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	8. Teams competing with athletes ineligible for any reason shall forfeit all contests in which the ineligible athlete(s) participated.	8. No Change
Excessive Absenteeism Grades 7-12	<p>Students who are absent 15 days in one school year may be placed on Attendance Supervision which imposes the requirement that future absences be verified by a licensed medical practitioner.</p> <p>If a student on Attendance Supervision accumulates five (5) unexcused absences (absences without medical verification), the student will be ineligible to participate in extracurricular activities as listed on page 44 the remainder of the school year at the regular campus unless the student returns to the regular campus after successfully completing an alternative education program.</p>	<p>Students who are absent 15 days in one school year may be placed on Attendance Supervision which imposes the requirement that future absences be verified by a licensed medical practitioner unless caused by COVID-19 protocols such as having to quarantine due to exposure.</p> <p>If a student on Attendance Supervision accumulates five (5) unexcused absences (absences without medical verification or due to COVID quarantine), the student will be ineligible to participate in extracurricular activities as listed on page 44 the remainder of the school year at the regular campus unless the student returns to the regular campus after successfully completing an alternative education program.</p>