

2018-2019 Warrenton Grade School Guidelines for Participation in Athletics, Activities and Clubs

Sports Offered

Fall: 6th to 8th Grade Girls and Boys Cross-Country
7th & 8th Grade Girls Volleyball
7th & 8th Grade Football

Early-Winter: 7th & 8th Grade Boys Basketball

Late-Winter: 7th & 8th Grade Girls Basketball
6th to 8th Grade Girls and Boys Wrestling

Spring: 6th to 8th Grade Girls and Boys Track & Field

League Affiliation: Warrenton Grade School participates in the COLUMBIA-PACIFIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION LEAGUE and follows the standard operating procedures (SOPs) of the association. A copy of the league's SOPs is available upon request from the Warrenton Grade School office.

Philosophy:

The primary goal of our extra-curricular and athletic programs is for students to be successful learners, active participants and good citizens as a prelude to their high school career and adult life. A student who is participating in school athletics, activities or clubs must demonstrate satisfactory academic achievement and citizenship.

Academic Probation and Ineligibility:

- Student grades will be checked after the 10th school day of the year and weekly after that through the end of the school year.
- A student will be placed on academic probation if during grade checks the student is earning:
 - an F in one or more classes, or
 - D's in two or more classes.
- A student on academic probation will initially remain eligible to participate in games, meets, matches or activities, but will be required to attend study hall each school day during lunch & recess in the designated area. The student will have lunch in the study hall and is to bring classwork to work on.

If further support is needed for grades to improve, the student on academic probation may be required to attend afterschool study hall held on Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Student-athletes assigned an after-school study hall MUST attend study hall before attending practice.

Failure to attend assigned study halls during or after school will result in the extension of the student's period of probation and possible disciplinary action up to and including dismissal from the team

- A student who remains on academic probation for more than one calendar week will be deemed ineligible.
- A student deemed ineligible will still be allowed to attend practices and home games (not in uniform), but may not compete nor travel to away games with the team.
- A student who is academically ineligible will have two weeks to regain eligibility by raising their grades to the minimum standards noted earlier in this document.

- A student who remains academically ineligible for more than 2-consecutive weeks during any single season will be removed from the team.
- A student may be placed on academic probation at the start of a season, club, or activity if the student's grades do not meet the eligibility standards noted earlier in this document.

Behavioral Ineligibility

- A student with unsatisfactory behavior in school will be ineligible to participate in games or meets until their behavior is deemed satisfactory. The administration reserves the right to suspend a student immediately and indefinitely from competitions and/or practices, depending on the severity of the misbehavior.
 - A student assigned an after-school detention MUST serve the detention before attending practice. (Coaches may assign team related consequences for missing practice.)
 - A student will be deemed ineligible if the student receives repeated afterschool detentions or receives an in-school or an out-of-school suspension. A Student receiving an in-school or out-of-school suspension is not eligible to participate in practices, games, or any other school-sponsored activity during that suspension and may be deemed ineligible for games/meets for periods longer than the suspension.
- A student deemed behaviorally ineligible may be allowed to attend practices and home games (not in uniform), but may not compete nor travel to away games with the team.
- To regain eligibility a student must serve all detentions and/or suspensions and have no further incidents of unsatisfactory behavior during the period of ineligibility.
- A student who is repeatedly ineligible due to behavior may be removed from the team.
- A student who is absent from school may not practice or compete on that day.
- A student must attend half of the school day (3.5 hours) to be eligible to practice or participate that day.

Assignment to Level of Team:

The high participation rates in some of our team sports require that we field multiple teams. For example, a WGS A-team and a WGS B-team is common in basketball. The assignment of a student-athlete to a team level will be determined by the coaches and may vary across the season.

Playing Time in Team Sports:

Middle school athletics is a time for student-athletes to develop an awareness of their own athletic skills, talents and interests in light of the increasingly competitive tone athletics takes on into and through the high school years. As such, a minimum amount of playing time is not guaranteed in team sports. Every effort will be made to provide playing time for each student-athlete, but ultimately the amount of playing time will be determined by the coaches.

Acknowledgement of WGS Guidelines for Participation in Athletics, Activities and Clubs

Today's Date: _____ Student Name: _____ Grade: _____

Sport/Club/Activity: _____

I acknowledge and agree to comply with the WGS Guidelines for Participation in Athletics, Activities and Clubs:

Student Signature: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Return a copy of this completed and signed form to the school office for EACH sport, club, or activity