

ARTICLE 20 **ELIGIBILITY**

- 20-1** A student must have at least a 2.0 grade point average (G.P.A.) the previous grading period in order to be eligible to participate in an athletic contest .A student shall be eligible to participate in an athletic contest during the **first** 9 week grading period, provided they have a 2.0 G.P.A. in the previous grading period (4th 9 weeks) or previous semester which ever benefits the student. Students become eligible or ineligible on the seventh calendar day after the previous grading period and it is the responsibility of the Activities Director to verify and maintain these records. The principal shall sign all eligibility reports and correspondence concerning eligibility and be responsible for their accuracy regardless of who compiles the information.
- 20-2** Age of Students: A student **is ineligible** if he/she turns **15** on or before August 1st of the current school year.
- 20-3** A student must have a completed Application for Activity Participation on file at the school. (see Appendix A). The Activity Participation Form or a copy must accompany the coach or sponsor for any off campus event.
- 20-4** **Insurance**. All students participating in the athletic and intramural programs shall be required to meet the insurance requirements set forth in the A.A.P. form. Each school is covered by Catastrophic Insurance through the District Office.
- 20-5** **Residence**. Any student who is attending a school in his or her attendance area or is assigned to the school by the School Board of Leon County is eligible to participate in the activity program, as long as he/she is a bona fide student of that school. Home schooled students and Leon County Charter schooled students are also qualified to participate. (must follow all state and district guidelines for home schooled and charter schooled children)
- 20-6** **School Suspensions**. From the time that the decision is made to place a student on suspension , he/she shall be ineligible to participate in any activity. Following their return to normal status, they shall be eligible to participate. Inter-School Suspensions shall be determined at the school level.
- 20-7** If an ineligible student participates in an activity contest, the contest will be forfeited. (Dressing out shall be considered participating.)
- 20-8** No summer school or inter-session makeup work is allowed. A student grading period is 9 weeks.