

Academic Ineligibility

Ineligibility arises at Providence Academy when a student loses the status of “good standing” academically. The student becomes ineligible to practice, compete, or perform in extracurricular activities (MSHSL or otherwise) and may also be separated from various in-school non-curricular activities in order to become eligible.

Academic ineligibility arises from a student's performance in vital assessments in a course. In all MS and US courses, these are located in the “summative” area of a course grade. Exams, tests, quizzes, papers, and projects are common components of the “summative” category. This category contributes no less than 70% to the overall course grade. In several courses, it may be 90% or more. Homework and assignments in Moodle are typically NOT considered “summative.” Instead, they belong to the category called “formative” and may account for no more than 30% of the overall course grade.

Academic ineligibility happens when a student's performance on any given summative assessment 1) falls below a baseline standard of 70% and 2) the student has not met the standard by a date stated by the instructor in accordance with the steps below.

Before this happens, these steps need to have taken place:

1. The student's performance on a given assessment was below a baseline standard of 70%.
2. The teacher entered an “M” in the gradebook for the assessment, gave a comment that identifies the assessment as “summative,” and gave the date due to avoid ineligibility.
3. The teacher assigned a “Preparedness” score of “2A” in the weekly “CAP” scores given in each course.
4. The student and parent received an email about this assessment and due date via PA's auto-generated messaging system, which highlights the course and instructor. Auto-generated emails are sent at 4:00 pm daily. This message will arrive no fewer than seven days prior to the due date to avoid ineligibility.
5. The student either did not complete the assessment or did not meet the necessary standard by the due date given.
6. The teacher assigned a “Preparedness” score of “1A” in the weekly “CAP” scores given for the course.

When the student and parent(s) receive the auto-generated email, they need to locate the item in NetClassroom (by finding the “M” responsible for the message). Next, the student needs to work directly with the teacher within the next week to address the assessment.

If the student does become ineligible, the academic dean notifies coaches and administrators. The student will be unable to practice, compete, or perform in extra-curricular activities and may be removed from “activity,” “house,” and “senior speeches” until he/she remedies the assessment.

When the student meets (or exceeds) the standard, the teacher will send an email to the academic dean reporting the student as eligible and will change the grade for the assessment. If this assessment was a retake, or was subject to late penalties, the maximum score for the assessment will be 70%. If it was neither of these, the teacher determines whether the maximum value will be 70% or higher.

Once a student regains eligibility in all subjects, the academic dean changes this student's status to “eligible” and includes this change in a report distributed once daily to coaches and administrators.

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