

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Special instructional and extra-curricular activities are an important part of High Desert School's campus life. However, in order to participate in these activities students must first fulfill their academic and citizenship responsibilities. Consequently there are eligibility requirements for participating in certain campus activities. For some campus activities, like Career Day, there are no eligibility activities because the staff feels the low-achieving student and poor citizen may establish goals for improvement from the experience.

Instructional activities may be defined as any activity which enhances the learning of instructional objectives and that may take place inside or outside the instructional class hours. Extra-curricular activities are those activities that do not take precedence in importance over learning instructional objectives, but do enhance campus life for students and staff. These activities may occur inside or outside the instructional class hours.

It is the intent of the High Desert School staff, through these eligibility requirements to help provide students with a fair and consistent policy. By this means, we hope to teach a set of standards for academic performance and citizenship, not the least of which is that rights and responsibilities go hand in hand.

I. SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS FOR INSTRUCTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- A. "C-" or higher in academic and campus citizenship grade
 - 1. 5th Grade Orientation
- B. "C-" or higher in campus citizenship grade
 - 1. Field trips
- C. As established by school and communicated to students
 - 1. Assemblies

II. SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS FOR EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- A. "C-" or higher in academic and campus citizenship grades
 - 1. Drama productions
 - 2. Student Council officers and representatives
 - 3. School Site Council representatives
 - 4. Attendance runners
- B. "C-" or higher in campus citizenship grade
 - 1. Dances
 - 2. Intramural Sports
 - 3. Yearbook signing party
 - 4. 6th/7th Grade Play Day
 - 5. 8th Grade Celebration Assembly
 - 6. 8th Grade Ditch Day
- C. "A" or higher in campus citizenship grade, 2.0 GPA, and no more than 7 absences per quarter
 - 1. "A" Citizenship trips/assemblies
 - 2. "A" Citizenship activities
- D. Principal's Discretion
 - 1. End of year activities - loss of activity in lieu of an on or off campus suspension.

DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY

- 1. Eligibility is determined by the academic and citizenship grades on the preceding report card. The eligibility term begins the day the report cards are issued to the students. Eligibility cut-off dates are the days that teachers are required to turn in all demerit slips. All classes are considered academic.
- 2. An "incomplete" is not considered a final grade on a report card. For the purposes of eligibility, it will be considered an "F" grade until cleared. When replaced with a grade, eligibility will be re-determined.
- 3. Students who have been absent during the day of an afternoon or evening activity may participate with principal's permission by clearing their absence with a note from their parents citing one of the following reasons for being absent: death or illness of an immediate family member, medical or legal appointment, religious activity.
- 4. An ineligible student may be allowed to try out for extracurricular activities that commence in the subsequent eligibility period. Selection, however, shall depend on eligibility at the time the activity commences.
- 5. A student on on-campus or out-of-school suspension is ineligible to attend or participate in extra-curricular activities throughout the period of suspension. This period begins from the moment the forms are commenced and extends to the morning of the first school day after the suspension has expired.