

Ascent Academies of Utah Junior High Extracurricular Activities Participation Requirements

Participation in interscholastic athletics, student government and cheer is a privilege. Therefore, students who are suspended or expelled or who do not meet the minimum attendance, citizenship, and GPA requirements will lose the privilege of participation in the activity.

Fees associated with extracurricular activities can be found on Ascent's website www.AscentUtah.org

Attendance Requirements

Students must have a 90% attendance rate (excused and unexcused absences). Students who drop below that rate will be suspended from participation in extracurricular activities until the student's attendance rate meets or exceeds 90%.

Citizenship Requirements

Citizenship is affected by tardies, behavior, and rule infractions and is reported by the teacher in the Student Information System. Students must have a minimum grade of satisfactory (S) citizenship in each class to participate in athletics, student government, or cheer. Students who have an "N" (needs improvement) or "U" (unsatisfactory) at any point during the season will be placed on probation and will have one week to make up said citizenship grade before they are removed from participation for the rest of the season. This also includes receiving an "N" or a "U" as an end-of-term citizenship grade will be suspended for the rest of the season. Students may resume participation in extracurricular activities as soon as the student's citizenship grades in every class meets or exceeds "Satisfactory."

Grade Requirements Athletics and Cheer

Students must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 during the current playing season as well as at the end of the term to participate in interscholastic athletics and cheer. Students who drop below a 2.5 GPA or have more than 3 missing assignments during the term will be suspended from participation until the missing assignments or tests are made up. This also includes the end of the term suspension and dismissal for not meeting the GPA requirements of 2.5 during the term.

Student Government

Students must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 at the end of the term to participate in student government. Students who drop below a 3.0 GPA for the term will be suspended from participation in student government for the subsequent term. Students may resume participation in student government as soon as the student's end of term GPA meets or exceed 3.0.

Drama

Students must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 throughout the rehearsal and performance process as well as at the end of the term for all extra-curricular Drama activities. This includes all actors and behind-the-scenes participants. Students who do not meet the GPA requirements of 2.5 by the end of the term will be dismissed from participating and will be replaced in the production at the director's discretion.

"End of Term" Definition

There will be an end of term eligibility cut -off for all extra-curricular activities. For the purpose of determining student eligibility "end of term" is defined as 1 week following the last day of the term as indicated on the Ascent Academies of Utah calendar. This provides all teachers with ample time to enter and lock all grades for the term. Both coaches and administration will enforce the "end of term" cut-off.

GPA Calculation

GPA will be determined using the following grade scale for all extra-curricular activities:

Letter Grade	Percentage Earned	GPA Points
A	94-100%	4.0
A-	90-93.9%	3.7
B+	87-89.9%	3.4
B	84-86.9%	3.0
B-	80-83.9%	2.7
C+	77-79.9%	2.4
C	70-76.9%	2.0
D+	67-69.9%	1.5
D	64-66.9%	1.0
F	0-63.9%	0.0
I (Incomplete)	Incomplete	0.0
P (Pass)	Pass	4.0

This grade scale was created using the Ascent Academies of Utah Policy Manual and the Utah Valley University GPA calculation scale (<https://www.uvu.edu/academicstandards/students/gpacalculator.html#manual>)