

## SCHSL ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS FOR PARTICIPATION

1. Student must be enrolled at Westwood High School or its feeder schools.
2. The student has not attained his/her 19th birthday prior to July 1st preceding the year of participation.
3. Academic requirements for the South Carolina High School League are as follows:

A. A student, while participating, must be a full-time student as determined by guidelines set forth by the State Department of Education. A student who is repeating a course for which he has previously received credit cannot count this course as one required for eligibility. This is considered as monitoring a course.

B. To participate in interscholastic athletic activities, students in grades 9-12 must achieve an overall passing average in addition to the following:

1. To be eligible in the first semester a student must pass a minimum of five Carnegie units applicable toward a high school diploma during the previous year. At least two units must have been passed during the second semester or summer school.

To be eligible during the second semester the student must meet one of the following conditions:

a. If the student met first semester eligibility requirements then he or she must pass the equivalent of four,  $\frac{1}{2}$  units during the first semester.

b. If the student did not meet first semester eligibility requirements then he or she must pass the equivalent of five,  $\frac{1}{2}$  units during the first semester.

In most cases on a traditional or AB block schedule, the following example would apply:

**If eligible first semester, must pass four subjects**

**If not eligible first semester, must pass five subjects**

**In a 4 X 4 block schedule where units or ½ units are granted at the end of the first semester the following will apply:**

**If eligible first semester, must earn 2 units**

**If not eligible first semester, must earn 2 ½ units**

2. Students must satisfy eligibility requirements in the semester preceding participation.
  - a. Credits earned in a summer school approved by the State Department of Education may apply for first semester eligibility. A maximum of two units per year may be used.
  - b. Students eligible for a first semester sport will be permitted to complete that sport even if it extends into the second semester. Under the current League program, this will apply to participants in basketball and wrestling in the high school and middle school programs.

A maximum of two credit recovery units may be used toward eligibility, to include the two units presently allowed in summer school. The course would have to be accepted by the State Department of Education for graduation and accredited by a certified teacher in that field. To be eligible for recovery credits, the student must have received a minimum grade of 60.

**NOTE: Credit recovery must be completed by the following dates: Courses taken for first semester eligibility must be recovered by the 2nd Monday in August.**

**Courses taken for second semester eligibility must be recovered by the 2nd Monday in March.**

## **Richland Two Academic Requirements**

### **Academic Standards for Interscholastic Participation (High Schools)**

In addition to the eligibility standards established by the South Carolina High School League, Richland County School District Two has academic eligibility requirements that students must

meet in order to participate in interscholastic athletics. Schools will determine academic eligibility at the beginning of each semester. Eligibility will be based on the previous semester's record of courses taken and grades achieved. To be eligible to participate in interscholastic activities, the student must achieve an overall 1.5 GPA as a freshman, a 1.75 GPA as a sophomore and a 2.0 GPA ("C" average) as a junior and senior in addition to one of the following:

- To be eligible in the first semester, a student must pass a minimum of five Carnegie units applicable toward a high school diploma during the previous year. At least two units must have been passed during the second semester or summer school.
- To be eligible during the second semester, the student must meet one of the following conditions:

If the student met first semester eligibility requirements, then he/she must pass equivalent of four 1/2 units during the first semester

If the student did not meet first semester eligibility requirements, then he/she must pass the equivalent of five, 1/2 units during the first semester.

Eligibility is determined by the grade point average from the previous semester.