



# Mt. Ararat Middle School

## Protocol for Extracurricular Eligibility

### **RATIONALE:**

- Academic performance is more important than extracurricular performance
- Extracurricular participation has been shown to be a positive motivator and indicator for student academic engagement
- In middle school, students are encouraged to explore and participate in a variety of activities and athletics
- When students are exhibiting our School Wide Code of Cooperation (Focused, Respectful, and Responsible), these work habits are correlated to successful academic performance

### **PROTOCOL**

- Any student at Mt. Ararat Middle School is eligible to participate in extracurricular activities, including clubs and athletics if he/she was shown to be proficient in at least 80% of their work habits scores from the most recent quarter grades. **Fall eligibility is based on the first progress report.**
- Any student that does not meet the above criteria, will be considered “Conditionally Eligible” until the next next reinstatement period (see below).
- “Conditionally Eligible” students must complete the following protocol every week:
  - By Friday at 2:05, “Conditionally Eligible” students must turn in a completed checklist to the main office.
  - This checklist must be signed by all teachers indicating the student's work habits were considered “Focused, Respectful, and Responsible” for the previous week.
  - If the checklist is complete and signed for all classes, the “Conditionally Eligible” student will be able to practice and compete for the following week (M-F)
  - If the checklist is not fully signed, incomplete, or not turned in, the “Conditionally Eligible” student will be able to practice but not compete for the following week
- Reinstatement back to full eligibility can occur at progress report time or end of quarter. If a student reaches the 80% benchmark at either of those times, they regain full eligibility status. Eligibility can be regained or lost at the end of the quarter. Eligibility can be regained, but not lost at progress report time (except quarter one). Once a student is fully eligible, they remain at that status until the following quarter grades.
- Participation in extracurricular eligibility can be withheld for schoolwide or classroom behavior issues at any time. In addition, a teacher can assign any student to extra academic work time instead of extracurricular activities, regardless of eligibility status.



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## Conditional Eligibility Weekly Checklist

*[ONLY REQUIRED FOR THOSE STUDENTS ON THE CONDITIONAL ELIGIBILITY LIST]*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date: Friday, \_\_\_\_\_

### ***Was the student FOCUSED, RESPECTFUL, and RESPONSIBLE THIS WEEK?***

If the answer is “yes” teachers will sign their name below. If the answer was “no”, teachers will not sign and the student will make a plan with the teacher to get back on track the following week. Student must complete for all classes they are currently enrolled in.

| <b>CLASS</b><br><i>Write teacher's name in</i> | <b>TEACHER SIGNATURE</b> | IF <u>NOT</u> SIGNED, WHAT DOES STUDENT NEED TO DO TO GET BACK ON TRACK NEXT WEEK? |
|--|--------------------------|--|
| Advisor Group                                  |                          |  |
| ELA  |                          |  |
| Social Studies                                 |                          |  |
| Math   |                          |  |
| Science  |                          |  |
| Exploratory 1:                                 |                          |  |
| Exploratory 2:                                 |                          |  |
| Exploratory 3:                                 |                          |  |
| Exploratory 4:                                 |                          |  |
| Target Time                                    |                          |  |
| Lunch  |                          |  |
| Motor Break/Hallway/Dismissal                  | (Homeroom Teacher)       |  |

**This form is to be filled out on Thursday/Friday and is due to the office by Friday at 2:05.**

#### Conditional Eligibility Process

- If this form *is* fully completed, the student will be eligible to **practice and compete** the following week.
- Students will receive a blue slip to give to their coach they can play in games the next week (including Friday night game). If this form *is not* turned in or not fully signed, the student will be able to practice **but not compete** the following week .
- If a student is part of a club, they may not participate in meetings/events unless this form is completed.
- This process begins again the following week until the student regains full eligibility status at the next checkpoint (see below).

#### Checkpoints

A conditionally eligible student can be reinstated to fully eligibility status with *more than 80%* of their Work Habit scores as 3's and 4's at **progress report time** or **end of quarter report card**.

A student can become conditional eligible based on having *less than 80%* of their work habit scores as 3's and 4's for the end of quarter report card (or Q1 Progress Report). Eligibility can only be gained, not lost at progress report time (except Quarter 1).