

**WYANDOTTE PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
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**Athletic Academic Performance**

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The Board of Education believes athletic participation is an important part of a student's educational experience and encourages all students to participate in athletics. Students who are members of an athletic team are expected to maintain a high standard of academic performance because they represent the School District, community, and serve as role models for all students.

Participation in competitive sports should help increase a student's discipline, organization, and, therefore, success in academics, as well as teamwork, physical fitness, and other positive life skills.

In an effort to maintain a high standard of academic performance, the Wyandotte Board of Education has adopted the rules and requirements of the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA). In addition, the Superintendent shall implement Athletic Academic Performance Guidelines and Procedures that *exceed* the MHSAA rules and requirements for all students who choose to participate in athletics. These guidelines and procedures shall be reviewed annually for their effectiveness in maintaining a high standard of academic performance and adjusted as necessary to maintain this goal. The Superintendent shall keep the Board of Education apprised of these adjustments.

**Guidelines & Procedures**

Any student attending Roosevelt High School or Wilson Middle School, who meets MHSAA rules and requirements, Wyandotte's Athletic Academic Performance Guidelines and Procedures, District Athletic Code of Conduct rules, and specific athletic team requirements, is eligible to participate in District-sponsored athletic competition.

Wyandotte's Athletic Academic Performance Guidelines and Procedures are as follows:

Students who participate on District athletic teams are expected to maintain a high standard of academic performance. If an athlete is at risk for low academic performance, he/she will be placed on Academic Probation. This will occur if his/her most recent progress report or quarterly grade report indicates a GPA lower than 1.67 (C-) or s/he has an E in any subject area.

When an athlete is placed on Academic Probation:

- The student's teacher will be required to turn in weekly (Friday) academic progress reports to the Athletic Director.
- The Athletic Director, building principal, or counselor will confer with the student's teacher(s)/counselor to develop a plan for academic improvement.
- If the student has two (or more) E's in any courses for that week, s/he will be suspended immediately for one week (Monday-Sunday) from any athletic competition. The student will be expected to participate in practices. S/he may not dress for, but must attend scheduled competitions.

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- At the end of the week's suspension, s/he must have improved at least one of the E grades in order to be eligible for the next week's competition(s).
  - If a student is suspended for any 3 - one week periods (consecutive or not), s/he will be ineligible to practice or participate in games for the remainder of the current sport's athletic season.
  - In order to be eligible for participation in the next athletic season, based on the student's most recent quarterly grade report, the student must meet MHSAA rules and regulations, as well as Wyandotte's academic and team requirements.
  - If the next athletic season tryouts begin before a quarterly grade report and the student is ineligible to participate, and teachers verify that the student is performing at the required academic level, s/he may try out for the sport pending the quarterly grade report.
  - If a student on Academic Probation fails to improve his/her grades/GPA or his/her grades/GPA lowers over two full marking periods, the student will be removed from participation by the Athletic Director/Principal for the remainder of the athletic season. Once removed, in order for the student to be eligible for athletic participation again, s/he must improve their grades above Academic Probation requirements.