

Bettendorf High School – Athletic Department

Eligibility Rules

1. To be eligible to compete in extracurricular activities a student must be passing all of their classes at the end of the 9 week grading period.
2. Should a student fail any class, they will become ineligible for a period of 30 calendar days. If after 30 days, a student is passing all of their classes, they would again become eligible to participate in extracurricular activities.

Eligibility Requirements Student Athletes

(As set forth by the IHSAA & IHSGAA)

YOU ARE NOT ELIGIBLE IF:

1. If you do not have a physician's certificate of fitness issued this school year or if you are 20 years of age or over.
2. If you have attended high school for more than (8) semesters. (20 days of attendance or playing in one contest, constitutes a semester.)
3. If you do not pass all of your classes during the previous 9 week grading period, you are ineligible to participate for 30 calendar days. For athletes involved in summer sports, they would be ineligible to participate for 30 calendar days.
4. If you were out of school last semester or if you entered school this semester later than the second week of school.
5. If you have changed schools this semester. (Except upon coinciding change of residence by your parents)
6. If you have ever accepted an award for your high school participation from an outside group other than an inexpensive, unframed, unmounted paper certificate of recognition, or, if you have ever received any money for expenses or otherwise, for your participation in an athletic contest.
7. If you have competed on an outside school team as a member or as an individual while out for a sport and during that sport season without the previous written consent of your superintendent or designee.
EXAMPLE: While you were out for wrestling and during wrestling season you want to participate on an outside school wrestling team or tournament, you would have to have permission from the school superintendent or designee or you would be declared ineligible. Once wrestling season is over, you may participate without written permission.
8. If you have ever trained with a college squad or have participated in a college event.
9. If your habits and conduct both in and out of school are such as to make you unworthy to represent the ideals, principles and standards of your school.
10. Student declared ineligible under the prior school district's Good Conduct Rule and then without having completed the full period of ineligibility at that school transfers to BHS will not be eligible for interscholastic competition at BHS, until the full period of ineligibility has been completed. Once that time period of ineligibility has been completed, the student is then immediately eligible for inter-scholastic competition at BHS as far as any Good Conduct Rule is concerned.

Due Process - Students Governed by IGSSAU/IHSAA Rules

A student athlete, cheerleader, dance/drill team member or parent contesting the declared ineligibility of a student based on these rules, shall be required to state the basis of their objections in writing and also their request for oral hearing, addressed to the Executive Office of the Iowa High School Athletic Association or Iowa Girls' High School Athletic Union. The executive officer shall then schedule a meeting of the executive board within 20 days of receipt of such objections, giving at least five days written notice of said hearing unless a shorter time is mutually agreeable. The executive board shall consider the evidence presented including statements by the appellant's legal counsel and make written findings of its decision within five days of the hearing, mailing a copy forthwith to said appellant.

Appeals - IGSSAU & IHSAA Rules

If the claimant is still dissatisfied, an appeal may be made in writing to the State Board of Education by giving written notice of the appeal to the Executive Officer of the IHSAA or IGSSAU with a copy by registered mail to the State Director of the Department of Education. Such appeal shall be taken within ten days after the date of mailing of the

decision of the governing organization. The State Director of the Department of Education shall establish a date for hearing within 20 days of receipt of said written notice of appeal by giving five days written notice to appellant unless a shorter time is mutually agreeable. The procedures for hearing followed by the State Board of Education shall be applicable.

Extra-Curricular Behavior Expectations Regulations (Local School Athletic Rules)

BHS Code of Conduct

The Board of directors of the Bettendorf Community School District offers a variety of voluntary activities and athletic programs designed to enhance the classroom education of its students. Participation in Bettendorf Schools Athletic program is a privilege. School athletics provide the benefits of promoting additional interests and abilities in the students during their school years and for a lifetime.

Students who participate in athletics serve as ambassadors of the school district through the calendar year, whether away from school or at school. Students who wish to have the privilege of participating in athletics must conduct themselves in accordance with board policy and must refrain from activities which are illegal, immoral, or unhealthy.

Students who fail to abide by this policy and the administrative regulations supporting it may be subject to disciplinary measures. The principal shall keep records of violations of the Good Conduct Rule.

It shall be the responsibility of the Superintendent to adopt rules and regulations for school athletics. Students wanting to participate in school athletics must meet the requirements set out by the School District for participation in the activity.

Athletic Rules and Regulations: The following Athletic and Co-Curricular Activities are covered by the Board's policy and these rules: Athletics, Cheerleading, Dance/Drill Team and Debate.

To retain eligibility for participation in Bettendorf High School Athletics, Cheerleading and Dance/Drill team activities, students must conduct themselves as good citizens both in and out of school at all times. Students who represent the school in an activity are expected to serve as good role models to other students and to the members of the community. There are added responsibilities as role models because you represent the kind of student who attends Bettendorf Schools.