

## **Policy Code: 3105 Home School Dual Enrollment for Athletics**

### **Enrollment and Eligibility Process for Home School Students Wanting to Participate in Haywood County Schools Athletic Programs**

1) A home school student is eligible to become dual enrolled and participate in athletics at both the middle and high school levels in Haywood County Schools only if their domicile is located within the administrative boundaries of Haywood County Schools. Homeschool students can become dual enrolled and participate in athletics only within the district in which they are domiciled.

2) Home school students who are dually enrolled in accordance with the school system's enrollment and assignment policies and procedures are eligible to participate in interscholastic athletics if they comply with all of the following:

- a. The student must present a home school card from the Division of Nonpublic Education for the previous and current years, as well as a transcript, attendance record, and record immunizations.
- b. The student must submit proof that the student has been enrolled in a registered home school for 365 days prior to participation in athletics.
- c. Prior to the first date of allowable practice, the student must provide the results of a nationally standardized achievement test, taken within the last year, that indicates the student was on grade level at the time the test was taken.
- d. The student must participate in a class schedule that is at least one half of the assigned school's instructional day. Classes must be taken on campus each semester. These classes will be determined by the Principal.
- e. The student must pass all classes in which the student is enrolled at the assigned school in order to maintain athletic eligibility.
- f. Once dually enrolled and deemed eligible to participate in athletics, the student must maintain continuous dual enrollment. Failure to maintain continuous dual enrollment would render the student ineligible for athletic participation for 365 days.
- g. The student must notify the principal of the assigned school in writing of the student's intent to try out for an athletic team at least 10 days prior to the first practice date of each sport season in which the student wishes to participate. Failure to comply with this requirement may render the student ineligible for that sport season.

h. The student must comply with all other applicable North Carolina High School Athletic Association and/or NCDPI rules and regulations regarding eligibility for athletic participation.

A dually enrolled student who transitions to full enrollment within the school system will then be governed by North Carolina High School Athletic Association rules and regulations regarding fully enrolled students.

A dually enrolled senior may be withdrawn back to their homeschool full time for graduation purposes and still be eligible to participate in athletics within the last 10 days of their spring semester.

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**Haywood County Board of Education**