# **POLICY**

# BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

**Related Entries: Policy 909.01** 

Responsible Office: CHIEF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE OFFICER

# EXTRACURRICULAR PROGRAMS ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY

#### A. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to establish a standard of academic eligibility for student participation in interscholastic athletics and extracurricular activities, grades 9 through 12.

#### B. ISSUE

Anne Arundel County Public Schools offers a wide variety of extracurricular activities for students to enrich their learning experience. Participation in these activities is not a right, but a privilege students earn by meeting certain academic standards.

The Anne Arundel County Board of Education recognizes for a student to be eligible to participate in interscholastic athletics or extracurricular activities, grades 9 through 12, he/she must maintain a "C" average (a 2.0 grade point average or greater) as determined by existing county grading procedures in the courses taken in a given eligibility period. A student may receive a maximum of one "E" grade in courses taken during that eligibility period.

### C. POSITION

1. Student with Disabilities -- Grades 9 through 12

If a student with disabilities receiving special education services fails to meet academic eligibility standards to participate in extracurricular activities, the student and/or his/her parent/guardian may contact the principal of the school and request the convening of an Individualized Educational Program (IEP) Team meeting in order to determine whether or not the student's IEP has been implemented to assist him/her in meeting academic eligibility standards.

2. State Eligibility Requirements -- grades 9 through 12

To be eligible to participate in interscholastic athletics at the high school level, a student must also meet the eligibility requirements and standards established in the current edition of the Maryland Public Secondary Schools Athletic Association Handbook.

3. Eligibility Requirements -- Exception for Participation in Student Government Activities

With the exception of state, county, and school elected or appointed officers of the student government, this policy's academic eligibility requirements will not apply to student participation in student government activities.

# D. IMPLEMENTATION

The Superintendent is authorized to develop regulations to implement this policy.

Policy History: Adopted on 6/17/09.

Note previous policy history: Replaces Policy 909.01, adopted 8/29/58; revised 1/20/93, 12/1/93.