



**WASHINGTON INTERSCHOLASTIC
ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION**

Home School / Alternative Ed & WIAA Eligibility

Students who access Home Based or Alternative Education may find themselves on a different academic calendar from their high school for academic eligibility. There could be times during the high school year that these students are not in school or taking academic courses. To ensure that students remain athletically eligible at their high school, they enter into the following contract with their school and commit to taking and completing the approved academic Home Based or Alternative Ed program and/or in conjunction with a blended schedule at their high school.

The purpose of this document is to record, in writing, the expectations of the _____ School District regarding the Home Based/Alternative Ed scholastic requirements of _____, a student/athlete at _____ High School, and serve as a safeguard for the _____ School District against penalty and sanctions if _____ (student) fails to meet the scholastic requirements during the _____ school year.

Expectations:

1. The _____ School District verifies the following approved academic schedule with _____, a Home Based/Alternative Ed student at _____ High School, that will meet the WIAA and school district academic eligibility requirements.
2. The student, _____, agrees to attend all classes and to make no changes to his/her approved academic schedule without first consulting with his/her high school on the potential eligibility ramifications of such changes.

**HOME BASED / ALTERNATIVE ED ACADEMIC PLAN for the _____ School Year:
Normal Credit Hour requirement at High School per Semester**

HIGH SCHOOL SEMESTER 1	Credit Hours	Total Credits Per Semester
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		

HIGH SCHOOL SEMESTER 2	Credit Hours	Total Credits Per Semester
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		

This agreement shall be signed and dated by the high school principal, the high school counselor, high school athletic director, the student/athlete, and his/her parents. By signing this agreement, the student and family agree to all terms of the agreement and understand they must adhere to the agreed academic plan for the school year or be subject to WIAA regulations 27.4 which states in part: "... [if] it is determined that the participant/parent/guardian provided the school with false information which caused the school to declare the participant eligible ... the participant will be declared ineligible for interscholastic competition for a period of one (1) year."

_____ Principal	_____ Date
_____ Counselor	_____ Date
_____ Athletic Director	_____ Date
_____ Parent/Guardian	_____ Date
_____ Parent/Guardian	_____ Date
_____ Student	_____ Date

27.4.0 USE OF INELIGIBLE PARTICIPANT - The use of a participant who is ineligible by WIAA or local school district rules shall result in forfeiture of contests in which that participant took part, except in situations in which it is determined that the participant/parent/guardian provided the school with false information which caused the school to declare the participant eligible. In such cases, the participant will be declared ineligible for interscholastic competition for a period of one (1) year. **The one (1) year penalty begins on the day the determination is made that false information had been provided.** The one (1) year penalty may be appealed to the WIAA Executive Director.

GUIDELINES IN ESTABLISHING HOME BASED or ALTERNATIVE ED ELIGIBILITY:

1. Home Based / Alternative Ed students must meet the same academic athletic eligibility requirements of all other students participating at that school.
2. Determine the number of credits required for athletic eligibility at the student's high school. Example: 5 classes required in a 6 period school day is equal to **2.5** semester credits needed for eligibility.
3. Establish the student's academic schedule for the year, either entirely as a Home Based or Alternative Ed student or a student with a blended schedule of classes from Home Based or Alternative Ed and the high school.
4. Determine the number of credits to be earned in each of the courses.