

Heritage Academy-Gateway Athletic Department

Academic Eligibility & Grade Check Policy

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Beginning with the Spring sports season 2019, there is an update to how the academic eligibility and grade check will be handled for participation in athletic events.

1-Grade Checks will now be conducted on Tuesdays instead of on Mondays. Grade Checks are only conducted on weeks where the athlete has an athletic contest.

2-Coaches will be emailed on Tuesdays with the Grade Check for their team. They are expected to touch base with both the athlete and the parent(s) regarding any academic ineligibility issues.

3-The scope of the Grade Check will remain Tuesday-Monday.

4-This is the big and major change: Once the Grade Check is conducted on Tuesdays, there will no longer be an opportunity for the athlete to become cleared for athletic participation by bringing up their grade throughout the week. Once they are deemed ineligible for that week, then they are ineligible for the entire week.

5-The responsibility still remains with the athlete to continuously watch their grades. With the grade check date being pushed back one day to Tuesdays, this will allow the athlete an opportunity to check their grades over the weekend and then visit with the teacher about potentially bringing up their grade on Mondays before the check is conducted. The one exception to this opportunity are on the rare occasions throughout the school year where there is no school on Mondays due to a holiday. The Grade Check date will remain on Tuesdays when this happens.

6-It remains that an athlete must have a minimum of 70% in each individual class. It is not a cumulative percentage. Athletes are not allowed to participate in "Early Releases" if they are academically ineligible.