

## ATHLETIC ELGIBILITY POLUICY

Paris High School will follow the minimum athletic requirements of eligibility set forth by By-Law 5 in KHSSA Policy.

1. A student must be on grade level to participate in athletics (determined at the end of the semester or the next school year)
2. The PHS Principal is required by the KHSAA to make a weekly grade check of all PHS students participating in athletics. If the Principal finds a student is not passing the required number of courses he will notify the PHS Athletic Director. The PHS Athletic Director will call in the student athlete and let them know that they are ineligible to participate until they bring their grades up to eligibility status. The PHS Athletic Director will also notify the parents and coach of the ineligible player that they can not participate until he is passing the required number of courses. An ineligible student athlete must sit out one week until the Principal does the next weekly grade check. The student can gain eligibility if they are passing the required number of courses. The PHS Principal will notify the Athletic Director, student, and coach when they return to eligibility status.
3. The Administration and Athletic Director will generate a failure list each Friday. Teachers will be contacted about a failing grade to verify the accuracy of the grade.
4. For Summit courses – a student with an incomplete grade will be considered on a watch list. The teacher, parent, mentor teacher, and student will create a plan for the student to move from incomplete in the course. The student will have the following week to move away from incomplete. If the student is incomplete for the second week they will be ineligible for competition. A grade of a 70% or higher in focus areas but an incomplete due to incomplete cognitive skills can be considered passing for eligibility.
5. PHS requires a \$20.00 one-time student participation fee for the current school year. If there are other siblings that are also participating in athletics in that family they are only required to pay a \$15.00 athletic fee for their participation. A student can participate in as many sports as they want during the school year but will only have to pay the one time \$20.00 athletic fee. This is a PHS Site - Base requirement.
6. Any student athlete that is not in school by 12:00 the day of a sporting event will not be able to participate in any athletic contest the day of his absence. The student must attend the last half of the school day to be eligible to participate. A student must have an excused absence for missing the first half of the school day. The PHS Principal will determine excused and unexcused absences.
7. All PHS students and parents will be required to sign a drug testing permission form to participate in athletics. The parents and the student will be given information on the PHS drug policy when they participate in their first High School athletic activity. Drug testing is done on a random basis by an outside firm that is hired to do the drug testing.