

Gaston County Athletic Eligibility Requirements

Gaston County Schools adheres to the rules and regulations of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association (NCHSAA) supplemented by state and county policies that create an environment that promotes sportsmanship and strong educational priorities.

Scholastic Requirements

A student must have passed a minimum load of work during the preceding semester to be eligible during the present semester. The minimum load set by the NCHSAA is 3 of 4 units the previous semester. Students must also meet local promotion standards set by the LEA.

Promotion Standards for Senior High School	Local Promotion Policy								
<p>1. A student upon first entering grade nine is eligible for competition on high school athletic teams, but must pass 3 units to be eligible for second semester.</p> <p>2. NCHSAA states that a student must pass 3 of 4 subjects in the block schedule and meet local promotion policy to be eligible. Local Promotion policy states that at the beginning of the fall semester the student must be with the class he/she entered the ninth grade with and pass 3 units the previous semester or pass 7 units in the previous two semesters if not with his/her class.</p> <p>The NCHSAA requires a student to be in attendance for at least 85 percent of the previous semester. Absences transferred in from another school do count in the total semester absences.</p>	<table data-bbox="831 842 1414 968"> <tr> <td>Rising 9th graders</td> <td>Promoted from grade 8</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Rising 10th graders</td> <td>6 units</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Rising 11th graders</td> <td>13 units</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Rising 12th graders</td> <td>20 units</td> </tr> </table> <p data-bbox="954 1150 1297 1186" style="text-align: center;">Local Attendance Policy</p> <p data-bbox="824 1226 1414 1314">A player must have been in attendance for at least 85 percent of the previous semester at an approved high school.</p>	Rising 9th graders	Promoted from grade 8	Rising 10th graders	6 units	Rising 11th graders	13 units	Rising 12th graders	20 units
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Middle School Athletic Eligibility

To be eligible for the spring semester, a student must pass 3 of 4 core courses. (baseball, track, basketball and girls soccer)

To be eligible for the fall semester, a student must pass 3 of 4 core courses. The student must also, meet local promotional standards for the year. (football, softball, wrestling, boys soccer, volleyball and golf)

Local Promotional Policy Code 3420

A student must pass 3 of 4 academic subjects, including math and language arts. Students should also maintain a passing average in the combined yearly averages of the elective courses. A passing average in the 4th academic class can be substituted for one yearly elective average.

Attendance Rule

Students must have attended school at least 85% of the previous semester to be eligible to participate.

Age of Player

A student cannot be 15 on or before October 16.

Four Semester Rule

No student may be eligible to participate at the Middle School level for a period lasting longer than 4 consecutive semesters beginning with the students entry into the seventh grade.