



Maple Grove Senior High School
Department of Athletics & Activities

Eligibility

1. Requirements for eligibility are outlined below.

| | Credits earned end of Tri 1 | Credits earned end of Tri 2 | Credits earned end of Tri 3 |
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| 9 th Grade | 4 | 8 | 13 |
| 10 th Grade | 18 | 23 | 28 |
| 11 th Grade | 34 | 40 | 46 |
| 12 th Grade | 52 | 58 | 64 |

2. Student/athlete cannot be 20 years old, prior to the start of the season.
3. Must have a physical examination within the last 3 years and is on file in the Activities Office.
4. If you have transferred to Maple Grove Sr. High in the past 365 days, you must see the Activities Coordinator prior to registering for an activity.
5. You can only participate in 1 sport, 4 seasons once you have started 9th grade.
6. Have not dropped out or repeated a grade.
7. Must be an amateur athlete – a student/athlete cannot receive prizes, awards or cash in excess of \$100 for participating in a sport. If so, you have lost your amateur status in the state of MN and are no longer eligible to participate in that sport at the high school level.
8. You cannot participate with a non-school team in your sport, during the season. Exception – skiing, baseball, softball.
9. You cannot use, consume, possess, buy, sell, hold etc. any tobacco, alcohol or any other controlled substance, at any time, in any location, in any situation.
10. You cannot harass any other person(s) sexually, racially, religiously, etc. at any time.

In your registration materials, you agreed to “fully cooperate in any investigation honestly & truthfully”. By that, if you are asked about any of the points listed above of any other investigation pertaining to any situation that you have knowledge of, you will answer all questions honestly & truthfully or you could face an additional 9-week suspension, due to denial disqualification.

Chemical Suspension

Following a confirmed violation of the Chemical Eligibility policy, a student/athlete would serve a suspension from competition. During the suspension, the student/athlete is required to be at all practices, meetings, games, scrimmages or any other function of the program. The student/athlete may take part in scrimmages or jamborees, practices, etc. but is not allowed to participate in a game or contest for the duration of the suspension.

- First offense: 2 weeks/2 contests, whichever is greater
 Second offense: 3 weeks/6 contests, whichever is greater
 Third offense: 4 weeks/12 contests, whichever is greater
 Subsequent offenses: 4 weeks/12 contests, whichever is greater

A student that is serving a suspension during a particular season must finish the season in good standing with that program or the suspension will start over with the next participation season.

After a first violation, the student is not eligible to be selected as Captain for the current sport season or next sport season of participation, based on the time of the violation. Also, after the first violation, the student/athlete is no longer eligible to be named the Athena Award winner.

Student Code of Responsibility

1. I will respect the right and beliefs of others and will treat others with courtesy and consideration.
2. I will be fully responsible for my own actions and consequences of my actions.
3. I will respect the property of others.
4. I will respect and obey the rules of my school, and the laws of my community, state and country.
5. I will show respect to those who are responsible for enforcing the rules of my school and the laws of my community, state and country.

If at any time a student/athlete is in violation of the code of responsibility, they are no longer in "good standing" with the Minnesota State High School League and the Activities Department in the School District. The punishment for these offenses will be determined by the Principal at Maple Grove Senior High.

Other Eligibility Items

- **Summer Waiver Period** – The summer waiver period is the time from "June 1 through July 31, exclusive of the no contract period of July 1 through July 7". During the summer waiver, a coach can request a release from their contract with the school to work with any student/athlete in their sport. The period of the summer waiver must be strictly enforced.
- **Off-season vs. In-season** – Off-season is the period of time, during the school year but outside of the participation and competition season for that sport. In-season is the season of participation and competition for a particular sport. Example: Volleyball is a fall sport, so the "in-season" would be from the first day of practice through the end of the state tournament. Off-season is the period of time during the school year but not during the season of participation or competition. Example: Volleyball is in-season in the fall but off-season is in the winter and spring. Coaches are not allowed to do any sport specific coaching during the off-season. Coaches cannot participate in pick-up games with students during the off-season. Coaches cannot have practices or training sessions with student/athletes from their sport during the off-season. Coaches cannot "extend the season" at any time after the in-season portion of the year.
- **Booster Clubs** – Booster clubs or outside agencies or individuals are not allowed to pay for a student/athlete or team to participate in any program or provide any equipment or funding for any program or student outside the in-season period. Boosters or outside individuals or agencies are not allowed to supplement a training program for any team or individual. Boosters can support a team or program for in-season needs only and must be done at the consent and approval of the Activities Director and the Head Coach.
- **Undue Influence** – A coach is not allowed to mandate participation in any outside program during the off-season or during the summer waiver period. Participation in such programs must be voluntary and cannot be a requirement of participation on a school team.
- **Solicitation** – A Maple Grove Coach cannot solicit, entice, encourage or recruit students from other schools or school districts to enroll in school at any District 279 public school.
- **Camps & Clinics** – If a Maple Grove Coach is working in any capacity at a camp or clinic during the off-season, a Maple Grove student/athlete in that sport that has been on a high school roster in that sport is not eligible to attend or take part in any way. If the Maple Grove Coach has applied for and has been granted a summer coaching waiver, this rule would not be in effect, but only during the summer waiver period as outlined above.
- **Enrollment & Attendance** – Any student that wishes to participate in Activities at Maple Grove Sr. High must be enrolled in and attending one of the secondary schools in the Maple Grove Senior High School boundary area, or have completed and turned in a Declaration of Participation form as an incoming Freshman.
- **Transfer & Residence** – SEE THE ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR PRIOR TO REGISTRATION OR PARTICIPATION. Failure to do so could result in forfeiture of any and all contests that the student/athlete has participated in.

ANY QUESTIONS – CONTACT THE MAPLE GROVE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES OFFICE

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