

Athlete Attendance Policy

With the implementation of the Citizenship Point System and in conjunction with the school Citizenship Policy regarding athletes we have come up with the following attendance expectations for ALL athletes:

1- BRHS athletes are expected to be in school and on time for their classes as representatives of our school and sports. We will work with the current point system and citizenship procedures.

2- Athletes are required to be below 13 points in any class in order to maintain eligibility for their in-season sport. As per school policy, this is how the points in each class will be calculated:

Attendance Code	Points
Tardy	1
Absences	2
TOTAL Points allowed before U citizenship	12

Tardies are not able to be excused. Absences are only counted if they are "unexcused" or marked as an X on the roll. Any other code is not counted for points. For further explanation on this please visit the following link: https://core-docs.s3.amazonaws.com/documents/asset/uploaded_file/2202/brhs/3430737/BRHS_Attendance_Policy_2023-2024.docx.pdf

3- Parents, Students, and Coaches will be notified in a reasonable amount of time via email when they reach 7 points in any class. Parents will be notified by phone call and students and coaches notified by email when an athlete reaches 10 points. Once a student reaches 13 points they will be ineligible for at least 2 school days. This means they will miss any competitions that take place during those 2 days. In order to become eligible the athlete must meet with the teacher and come up with a written contract on how they will make up points within the class in order to avoid receiving a "U" on their transcript. This must be turned in to the Athletic Director. Once this happens the Athletic Director will let the Coach know that the athlete is now eligible for competition.

4- As per current policy an athlete may not compete with a "U" on their transcript. They must remediate the "U" via our Citizenship class or the online class and pay \$5 to the school before they are allowed to compete for that season.

If your athlete falls into category #4 you will be getting an email this week with more information.

Grades and Eligibility:

In order to participate in any UHSAA sanctioned sport a student must have a GPA of 2.0 or above with no more than one failing grade. This must come from the grading period prior to their season and includes any grading period that falls during the season. This is a State rule and cannot be amended and is due when grades are input for the end of each trimester.

In addition to the State rule, BRHS performs "Grade Checks" every 3 weeks. An athlete must be passing all classes at each of these checks. The first check is a reminder for all athletes (even if they are passing their classes) to make sure their grades are acceptable. If an athlete is failing a class their coach is made aware and they are encouraged to help the athlete get that grade up. At mid-term an athlete that has an F in any class is immediately ineligible for their sport until they have remediated the F and the teacher informs the Athletic Director. Coach Chournos will communicate with the Coach once the teacher has cleared the athlete. At that point, an athlete may have grade checks performed each week in order to make sure that they do not fall behind and help keep them on track for credit in each class.

Drug Testing

All athletes are required to be in the pool for possible drug testing during their season. Each week we randomly pull from all athletes competing and they are asked to provide a urine sample. Here is a link to the current District Policy regarding drug testing:

https://core-docs.s3.amazonaws.com/documents/asset/uploaded_file/1371774/5291_Drug_Alcohol_Testing_of_Students_Participating_in_Extracurricular_Activities.pdf

One thing to note that is new this year is we are testing for Nicotine which could be a result of vaping, cigarettes, chewing tobacco, or even nicotine gum/pouches.

Parent Conduct and Expectations

Recently our Region Administrators met to discuss some of the issues we have had the past few years, specifically with winter sports. Here are a few of the expectations they would like us to pass along to all of our parents:

1- Please cheer loudly FOR your athlete and team. Please follow the State guidelines for each sport which can be found

here: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1cs7vyYnfMjiNcWE0-k9txoqWKA3_AgL3/view?usp=sharing

2- Please use respectful and appropriate language in regard to officials. We are currently experiencing a massive shortage of officials in virtually all of our sports. There are many reasons for this but one of the big ones is the treatment of the officials by parents, athletes, and coaches. Our officials are human and they will make mistakes. We try and help our athletes that we are rarely in control of events that happen to us but we are in total control of how we respond to the circumstances. Please help be an example of how choose to respond respectfully when something happens we don't like.

3- Please do not address opposing fans or students in a negative fashion. If there are fans or students who are being inappropriate please contact one of the Administration from our own team first. If that isn't possible contact the Administration of the home team and let them know.

4- Please be respectful of our own facilities as well as those of our opponents. This would include cleaning up around you and putting your garbage in the appropriate place.

5- Please help us uphold the sportsmanship expectations of the UHSAA, our Region, our School, and the "Do Rowdy Right" initiative. <https://uhsaa.org/sportsmanship/drr.pdf>