

Welcome to the Iberville Athletic website. We hope the following information will help insure your child's participation with athletics a safe, productive, and rewarding experience.

Sports offered at Iberville Parish Schools:

East Iberville

Football
Volleyball
Boys & Girls Track
Boys & Girls Basketball
Baseball
Softball

White Castle

Football
Volleyball
Boys & Girls Track
Boys & Girls Basketball
Baseball
Softball

Plaquemine

Football
Volleyball
Cross County
Boys & Girls Basketball
Boys & Girls Track
Softball
Baseball
Wrestling

Athletic Eligibility

There is more to high school and college athletics than just the ability to play. An athlete needs both brains and brawn. There are rules of eligibility that apply to all sports at all levels. This is a guide that may help students and parents understand what is expected of them if they want to play ANY sport.

HIGH SCHOOL

Louisiana High School Athletic Association Eligibility Requirements

The student must maintain a 1.5 grade point average and pass at least five classes. This means that any student, 10th grade and up, who wants to play a sport in the Fall semester must have 5 credits and 21 grade points from the previous school year. Classes taken during summer school will replace only classes taken the previous school year if a higher grade is made. If a student wants to play any sport in the Spring semester, they must have 11 grade points and no more than 2 F's on their report card for the Fall semester (this includes 9th grade students).

GRADUATION:

For a student to graduate from high school in Louisiana they must take and pass the following classes.

English - 4 credits

Math – 3 credits

Must include Algebra I or Applied Math I & II as well as at least one math higher than Alg I

Science – 3 credits

Biology and two others – two Agriscience class can take the place of one of the sciences higher than Biology

Social Studies – 3 credits

Must include American History, Civics and Free Enterprise

Health and PE – 1 ½ credits

Can substitute ROTC

Health – ½ credit

Electives – 8 credits

TOTAL – 23 credits

GRADING SCALE:

A – 4 points

B – 3 points

C – 2 points

D – 1 point

F – no points

If a student wants to attend college on a TOPS (Tuition Opportunity Program for Students) Scholarship the requirements are a little bit more than those for just graduation and LHSAA eligibility.

FOR TOPS:

The students must have a 2.5 grade point average; have 16.5 core units and a *minimum* of 20 on the ACT.

The CORE courses required are...

English I, II, III and IV

Algebra I or Applied Math I & II

Algebra II

Geometry, Trigonometry, Advanced Math or Calculus

Biology I

Chemistry I

Earth Science, Environmental Science, Physical Science, Biology II or Physics

Civics

Free Enterprise

American History

World History or World Geography

Fine Arts Survey or 2 units of performing arts or studio art

Foreign Language – 2 years in the same language

Computer Science, Computer Literacy or Computer Applications

There are different levels of TOPS depending on the GPA, ACT and Course work taken by the student.

Brochures are available in the guidance office at school.

Many students believe that if they can get out of high school they can get into college. Well maybe they can, but there are different entrance requirements at each college. Junior colleges or Community colleges have lower entrance requirements than larger schools.

It is the dream of many student athletes to play sports in a Division I University. Eligibility requirements for a Division I school follow a sliding scale as far as GPA and ACT scores are concerned. A student must have also taken 14 core courses and passed them with a 2.5 GPA.

14 Core Courses:

4 years of English

2 years of mathematics (Algebra I or higher)

2 years of natural/physical science (1 year of lab science)

1 year of additional English, mathematics or science

2 years of social science

3 years of additional courses (from any of the areas above or foreign language, philosophy or computer science).

**Computer science will no longer be acceptable after August 2005

The 2.5 GPA required comes from only these courses. Any other class taken in high school does not count. That means for example the art and PE classes will pad the athlete's GPA for high school but for college they must make the grade in the core classes.

Attached is a page from the NCAA web site that shows the sliding scale. The GPA comes from the athlete's core classes and the ACT is a sum of the individual scores in each subject. For example a athlete may make a 18 for a composite but in reading a 17, language a 15, math a 18 and science a 19. The ACT score would be 17+15+18+19. If the athlete takes the test more than once then their accumulative grade will come from the best score in each subject from whatever test that score occurred.

The goal of the coaches at Plaquemine High is to assist the athlete, in reaching their goals whatever they may be. If you have questions or concerns please contact your school. Forms needed to be completed by parents (download copy):

- LSHSA parental permission
- LHSAA drug testing consent
- LHSAA medical history and physical examination
- Other parental information
 - Each school will need a copy of the student athletics' birth certificate.
 - The Iberville Parish School Board carries insurance on every child participating. It is a secondary coverage after the parent's policy.

Ten reasons athletics is important!

In Athletics:

1. Teenagers are considered important contributors rather than passive recipients
2. A player can let the team down.
3. Repetition is honorable.
4. The unexpected happens all the time.
5. Emotions and human contact are expected part of the work.
6. Practices generally run longer than 50 minutes.
7. Ability isn't age-linked
8. Players get to choose their own roles.
9. Volunteers from the community are sought after.
10. A public performance is expected.