

BELLEVUE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Bellevue, Washington
REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF 2.0 GRADE POINT AVERAGE
ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT

Date _____

Name (please print) _____ **Student No.** _____

Counselor _____ **School** _____

I request a waiver of the 2.0 grade point average requirement due to the following *extenuating, unique and/or unusual circumstances*. I have read the process for waiving this requirement on the reverse of this form and I have included a statement explaining the circumstances.

Statement (use additional pages if necessary):

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____

Signature of Student _____

Attach a transcript and submit this form to your athletic director. The athletic director will date-stamp and send the paperwork to your assistant principal.

ACTION:

Approved

Denied

Comments:

Assistant Principal

- If denied, an appeal hearing will be scheduled with the Principal. Your athletic director will be informed and will contact the student.
- If the appeal with the principal is denied, a hearing will be scheduled with the District Activities and Athletics Director. The building Athletic Director and Principal will be informed of the outcome and will contact the student.

2.0 Cumulative GPA Athletic Requirement Waiver Process

The District expects that all students earn the necessary credits for graduation with a minimum of a 2.0 cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) in order to maintain eligibility for athletics and activities. However, there may be unique and unusual circumstances that may result in less than 2.0 cumulative GPA. If any student, parent/guardian, coach/teacher/administrator and/or counselor, believes that there is such a circumstance, they may request a waiver.

Circumstances that may qualify for unique and unusual are listed below. This list is not exhaustive.

- The student enrolled in the district within the last two years with a credit deficiency and low grades. Given the limited amount of time to recover, the student was able to complete the credits required, but not meet the 2.0 GPA.
- The student experienced a significant health, mental and/or emotional situation that significantly interfered with the ability to attain the 2.0 GPA.
- The student has an identified disabling condition.
- The student has made an extraordinary effort (re-took classes, took challenging and rigorous courses beyond his/her level and in spite of working hard earned low grades, attended tutorial regularly, attended summer school, took optional learning programs, etc.) to earn the requisite GPA but in spite of all his/her efforts, was unable to meet the requirement.

Process:

1. Student completes the **2.0 Cumulative GPA Athletic Requirement Waiver Form** and submits to their building athletic director along with a transcript.
2. Athletic Director sends the paperwork to the student's assistant principal for review and adjudication.
3. The form is returned to the Athletic Director. If the request is denied, the parent/guardian and/or student will have the opportunity to appeal to the Principal. All privileges associated with athletic and/or activities will be denied the student pending the outcome of any appeal request.
4. The Principal will work as efficiently and judiciously as possible to act on appeals in order to maximize the possibility that the student and/or his/her parent may exercise their rights to appeal prior to any privileges being lost.
5. If the request to the Principal is denied, the student may request an appeal conference with the District Activities and Athletic Director which constitutes Step Three of the District complaint procedure described in Bellevue School District Procedure 4220P (Complaints Concerning Staff and Programs).