



## Liberty Sports Eligibility Policy

Participation in athletics at Liberty is both a privilege and a responsibility. As members of a Liberty athletic team, student-athletes are expected to make a personal commitment to represent Liberty in an exemplary fashion and to follow rules of training and conduct necessary to maintain strong, healthy minds and bodies. Because student-athletes are in a highly visible position requiring leadership and responsibility, they will be held to a higher accountability of conduct and behavior than students who choose not to participate in interscholastic athletics.

The following rules apply to all students participating in interscholastic athletic activities. These rules apply for each sport season students choose to participate in throughout the school year. This policy only needs to be filled out once for the year. All eligibility decisions are at the discretion of the administration.

The Athletic Director will check grades every Monday and report failing grades to the coaches. Monday eligibility applies to the entire week. Students that have one D or F will be put on the “Planner Plan” for two weeks where they will need to get their planner signed by the teacher in the failing class. The student-athlete will then need to show this signed planner to the coach in order to practice and participate in the games. The student-athlete will **not** be able to practice or play in a game without the planner signed by the teacher. If progress is not demonstrated after 2 weeks, athletes will be dismissed from the team.

If a student has two failing classes, they are immediately placed on probation for two weeks where they are not eligible to practice or play in sports until one of the two failing grades is raised. Athletes should use this time to study and raise failing grades. If one grade is raised then the student-athlete is placed on the planner plan and will be able to practice and play games.

Failure to raise failing grades will result in dismissal from the team for the rest of the season. Missing assignments can contribute to failing grades so student-athletes need to have all work completed and turned in on a timely fashion.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_