

# St.Odilia School Policy and Information Manual

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## Extracurricular Activities: Eligibility Requirement

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### Policy Statement

Our goal is to foster a balanced educational program in which both academic and extracurricular activities are important. However, as academics are the primary area of focus, and in order to help the middle school students balance their curricular and extracurricular activities, it is our policy to adopt an Eligibility Program for students, set up by Middle School Faculty. The Eligibility Program will limit participation in extracurricular activities based on academic performance and will be included in this policy statement. This policy will not limit foreign language and Band as they are considered curricular electives.

It is important that open channels of communication exist between the student, teacher, and parents when enforcing the Eligibility Program. It is important that middle school teachers regularly review situations in which students have been suspended and assess for patterns, trends, or inconsistencies to ensure consistent administration of the Program.

### Procedure

**Discipline:** If a student receives three (3) detentions due to behavioral problems during a semester, the student will be suspended from all extracurricular activities for two weeks. If a student receives a fourth detention due to behavioral problems during a semester, the student will be suspended from all extracurricular activities for an additional six weeks.

**Academic:** Students must maintain a C-average or better in each class. . Students who are putting forth their utmost effort, but are not maintaining a C-average in a specific class, are exempt from the above. Each teacher will assess the student's effort in the subject area he/she teaches. If a C-average in each class is not achieved, the student will be suspended from all extracurricular activities for one week. Suspension time will be used to improve the student's average in the subject area(s) of concern. The student will bring home a notification of ineligibility to be signed by the parent. The notification is to be returned the next day to the teacher who issued it. After one week, if the grade has been raised to a C-; the student will be reinstated in all extracurricular activities.

