



THE DIOCESE OF PENSACOLA-TALLAHASSEE

CATHOLIC YOUTH SPORTS LEAGUE

The Catholic Youth Sports League is intended to provide students in our schools and parish religious education programs the opportunity to participate in an elementary and middle school sports program that promotes values which are the foundation of our Catholic faith.

Eligibility

A student is eligible to play in the Catholic Youth Sports League on a school team or a Parish team if he or she meets **one** of the following criteria:

1. Is enrolled as a full-time student at Little Flower Catholic School, Sacred Heart Cathedral School, St. John Catholic School, or St. Paul Catholic School. These students must play for the school.
2. Is enrolled as a full-time student of a school, which has been invited to participate in the Catholic Youth Sports League, by 2/3 approval of the Administrative Council. These students must play for the school.

Academics

A student is eligible to play in the Catholic Youth Sports League if he or she meets the following criteria:

1. The student has a cumulative GPA of 2.0 in all core classes which include Literature, Language Arts, English, Math, Social Studies, Reading and Science.

Automatic sit for the week if any "F" in any core classes.

2. The student grade card or academic record is checked on Monday of the week to determine eligibility for the following weekend. A student who is not enrolled in either a member school or an invited school (A.1 and A.2 above) is responsible to make arrangement for the grade card or computer generated grade progress report to be turned into the Coach or the Athletic Director each week.
3. To be eligible at the start of the football, volleyball or cheerleading season in August, the student must provide the Athletic Director a copy of their final grade card from the end of the previous academic year with C's or above and without any "F's" in all enrolled classes.

Discipline

A student is eligible to play in the Catholic Youth Sports League if he or she meets the following criteria:

1. If the student is enrolled in a member or invited school, the student will not have any discipline violation as per their school's policy. It is the responsibility of the principal or the athletic director to communicate a student's disciplinary action to the head coach.
2. If the student is enrolled in an accredited school by the FCC or the Florida Department of Education, it is the responsibility of the student athlete and/or his or her parent to report any detention, suspension or expulsion to the coach immediately. Any one of these actions will result in a period of ineligibility. If a student athlete does not report the occurrence of a disciplinary action at school immediately, the student will become ineligible for the remainder of the season.

Special Notes:

1. Students will play for their school first and parish second.
2. If a parish cannot form a team, parish students are ineligible to participate on school's teams.
3. Any exceptions must be presented in writing to the Administrative Council and must be passed by 2/3 of the Council.
4. Any violation of any rule, determined by the Administrative Council, may result in the forfeit of some or all games and will be eliminated from participating in all tournament play.