

**SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION****ELIGIBILITY CHECKLIST FOR ALTERNATIVE INSTRUCTION STUDENTS**

(Completed on an Annual Basis)

Member School \_\_\_\_\_ Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

The alternative instruction student must comply with all the items on this checklist in order to participate in SDHSAA sanctioned events. Please check (X) each requirement that has been fulfilled. The aforementioned student:

- \_\_\_\_\_ meets age/grade requirements (grade 7 or higher, but has not reached his/her 20<sup>th</sup> birthday).
- \_\_\_\_\_ has not attended more than 4 first semesters and 4 second semesters of school in grades 9-12. These semesters must be consecutive.
- \_\_\_\_\_ has completed 20 hours of high school work per week for the preceding semester, unless entering high school for the first time. Twenty hours is equivalent to four full-time academic subjects.
- \_\_\_\_\_ will attend a minimum of 20 hours of high school work per week, at the alternate instruction site, during each semester of the current school year.
- \_\_\_\_\_ seventh and eighth grade students may compete on high school teams provided they meet scholastic standards fully equivalent to those required for students grades 9-12.
- \_\_\_\_\_ has not graduated from a regular four-year high school or institution of equivalent rank.
- \_\_\_\_\_ was attending classes by the 16<sup>th</sup> school day of the current semester.
- \_\_\_\_\_ has not been absent from classes for more than 10 consecutive school days (illness of the student or a death in the immediate family excepted).
- \_\_\_\_\_ resides with either a parent or a legal guardian (or court placement documents).

**ADDITIONAL ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY RULES**

- \_\_\_\_\_ has current forms for parent permit and SDHSAA athletic physical

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- \_\_\_\_\_ has never participated in an athletic contest under an assumed name.
- \_\_\_\_\_ has never participated in athletics in any institution of higher rank than a standard secondary school.
- \_\_\_\_\_ has never violated his/her amateur standing.
- \_\_\_\_\_ is not participating as an individual or as a member of another team during the same sport season while a member of a high school team (i.e., playing on a Y-basketball team during the high school basketball season).

**Additional Fine Arts Eligibility Rules**

- \_\_\_\_\_ is currently enrolled and attending the local school's parallel musical organization prior to auditioning and/or participating in region music contests, all-state chorus, all-state orchestra, or all-state band. If a student tries out for and makes an all-state event, after which the student quits the high school music organization, the student is not eligible to perform in the all-state event for he/she is no longer actively involved in the local school's music group.

Student: \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_\_\_ has provided school officials with acceptable documentation of compliance with all rules governing alternative instruction programs.
- \_\_\_\_\_ has met all member school eligibility requirements.
- \_\_\_\_\_ has not been declared academically ineligible in any accredited school during the past year. (If student has been declared academically ineligible, he/she is ineligible to participate in SDHSAA events as an alternative instruction student for a period of one year.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ has not been enrolled in an accredited school during the past calendar year.
- \_\_\_\_\_ has not transferred eligibility from another member school. If so, list member school previously competing with and date of transfer.

(Previous school: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of transfer: \_\_\_\_\_)

This is allowed one time during the four years of eligibility. If this occurs at the beginning of the school year, the student would become eligible immediately. If the transfer occurs after the first day of school, the student would become eligible following 45 school days. This is applicable to the initial transfer only. Any subsequent transfer results in ineligibility for one year from the date of transfer.

We verify that we are in compliance with Chapter I, Part IV, Section 2 of the SDHSAA Constitution and By-Laws and SDCL 13-27-3 rules and regulations. Furthermore, we acknowledge and accept that fulfillment of the same responsibilities and standards of behavior and performance, including related class or practice requirements, as other students, participating in the interscholastic activity is a condition of participation.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of parent/guardian)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of student)

I verify that to the best of my knowledge \_\_\_\_\_ has complied in all respects with the conditions of SDCL 13-17-3 and Chapter I, Part IV, Section 2 of the SDHSAA Constitution and By-Laws, and that he/she has received permission from our school to participate in interscholastic activities at this high school and will be added to the SDHSAA annual eligibility report.

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(High School Principal)

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(Athletic/Activities Director)