

One-Half (0.5) Credit Physical Education Exemption

A student who meets all of the following requirements shall be eligible to complete an additional one-half (0.5) credit in an elective Mathematics, Science, English, Social Studies, or Advanced Health Education course in lieu of one-half credit of Physical Education for the purpose of high school graduation.

- The additional one-half credit elective class must be “in addition” to the required credits and classes for that department for graduation (4 credits of English, 3 credits of social studies, 3 credits of math, and 3 credits of science) completed by end of their junior year.
- The student must apply with the guidance counselor when scheduling for the exception so that a graduation credit review may be completed.
- The student must complete one season on a WIAA school sanctioned varsity sport.
- The student must complete the participation in the varsity sport prior to the beginning of their senior year. If they have not completed the participation in the sport prior to the beginning of their senior year, they will be scheduled to participate in the appropriate physical education class to fulfill their required credits for graduation.
- The student must be in good standing on the varsity team for the entire duration of the season and had no prior athletic code violations.
- If a student becomes injured during the course of the sanctioned season, they may request an exception from a panel comprised of the principal, athletic director, and the head coach, and they must continue to participate in team activities/practices and remain in good standing. To initiate a panel review the injured student must present a valid medical excuse to the athletic director who will then schedule the panel review. The panel’s decision will stand unless appealed to and overturned by the district administrator.
- A student with a disability, who is not able to meet the requirements for participation in any of the school’s WIAA sanctioned sports, but who has participated in another organized physical activity approved by the athletic director, principal, and school psychologist under similar conditions as outlined above, may also be eligible for this physical education exemption credit.

LEGAL REF.: Sections 18.33(1) Wisconsin Statutes
118.33(1)(e)

CROSS REF.: Policy 345.5 Graduation Requirements

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