

## York Catholic Athletic Department

### ELIGIBILITY

A student's eligibility to participate in the interscholastic athletic program at YCHS is a privilege. An athlete does not confer any honor or favor upon the school by his participation, but rather the school honors and confers a favor upon the student by allowing him/her to represent the school in any athletic event. Hence, unsportsmanlike conduct is a betrayal of a trust and may result in the forfeiture of this privilege and dismissal from the team. A student's eligibility to participate in the interscholastic program is determined by any rules and regulations of the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association (PIAA), the York Adams Interscholastic Athletic Association (YAIAA), any further regulations established by the school for eligibility, scholastic standing, and academic status. All students must be in good academic standing to tryout for any team. Students and parents must sign a contract to participate in athletics.

In its efforts to lead students to academic achievement and proper behavior, the administration and faculty of YCHS observe the following criteria for student participation in extracurricular activities:

- Any athlete who is ejected from a game or contest for unsportsmanlike conduct will be ineligible to participate in that sport for the next game.
- If a student fails three or more major subjects at the end of an official marking period, he/she is ineligible to participate in any extra-curricular activities until the completion of the next marking period. If a student received a weekly failure report in more than one major subject, he/she is ineligible to participate in any extra-curricular activities during the upcoming week (Monday through Sunday). This includes any extra-curricular activities occurring on YCHS property. If at the end of the one-week ineligibility period a student no longer has two or more failure reports in subject areas, he/she may resume participation in extracurricular activities. In cases where a student continues to have two or more failure reports, his/her ineligibility is extended for the next one-week period.
- Students who are on the ineligibility list any three weeks during a sport season will become ineligible for the rest of that sport season.
- Three detention infractions in a marking period will result in a student being declared ineligible for an athletic practice. The fourth infraction will result in a missed game/event. The fifth infraction will result in removal from the team/activity.
- A student can be dismissed from the team/squad for the remainder of the season for any of the following reasons:
  - Stealing
  - Selling, possession, use of or under the influence of drugs/alcohol
  - Any form of bullying or fighting
  - Unsportsmanlike conduct
  - Any type of conduct which brings disfavor upon the school.

These rules apply to the student/athlete both in and out of school during the season of competition. (If a student is dismissed from a team or squad, the student's picture will not appear in the yearbook. This includes senior individual pictures for that particular sport.)