West Virginia Department of Education Office of Leadership Development / Division of School and District Accountability

Policy Cycle:	cle: 🗌 30-day Comment Period		oxtimes Adoption of Policy
Policy Process:	⊠ Revision	Repeal and Replace	□ New

Introduction: Policy 2436.10, Participation in Extracurricular Activities, is being amended to comply with House Bill 2820 (2023 Regular Session).

Background: Policy 2436.10, last amended in 2022, establishes academic eligibility of students to participate in extracurricular activities both during and after normal school hours in West Virginia public schools

Proposed Changes: The policy is being amended to comply with House Bill 2820 (2023 Regular Session).

Impact: There should be limited impact due to the policy revision.

Action:

- □ Release for 30-day public comment.
- \boxtimes Approve by WVBE with effective date 30 days from filing.

Response to Comments: The comment received during the comment period resulted in changes to the policy (see Attachment H-1).

Comments were received by the following groups:

Teachers
Administrators (including principals and county staff)
Higher Educators
Parents/Grandparents
1 Others (Legislator)

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utilized in place of the midsemester.

4.1.b.10. Students who are entering public schools or other West Virginia Secondary Schools Activities Commission (WVSSAC) member schools for the first time will be eligible for participation as follows:

4.1.b.10.A. Students who have not earned grades that the receiving school will accept for credit upon transfer will be eligible upon enrollment and must have a 2.0 GPA at the end of the semester in which they enroll to remain eligible.

4.1.b.10.B. Students who have earned grades that the receiving school will accept for credit upon transfer must have earned a 2.0 GPA in the previous semester to be eligible upon enrollment. If not eligible upon enrollment, the student shall become eligible at the midsemester (nineweek point) if the student has attained at least a 2.0 GPA.

4.1.b.11. <u>Homeschooled</u> <u>S</u>atudents, <u>Hope Scholarship students</u>, <u>or students receiving</u> <u>instruction in a microschool or learning pod</u>, participating in interscholastic athletics pursuant to W. Va. Code §18-2-25(d) will be eligible for participation, provided that the student:

4.1.b.11.A. complies with the rules promulgated by the WVSSAC; and

4.1.b.11.B. has demonstrated satisfactory evidence of academic progress for the immediately preceding year and that the student's average test results for the immediately preceding year are within or above the fourth stanine in all subject areas.

§126-26-5. Severability.

5.1. If any provision of this policy or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this policy.