## Standish-Sterling Community School District Standish, Michigan 48658

Re: Extracurricular Eligibility for Students Entering High School

## RATIONALE

The Board of Education has established eligibility standards for participation in extracurricular activities including sports. Academic achievement is a prerequisite of extracurricular eligibility. Several coaches have noted that the eligibility standards for incoming high school students are not adequately defined. The Athletic Director has recommended that eligibility standards based on Junior High School performance be established in a manner that is consistent with other High School activities. These eligibility criteria apply to both athletic and other extracurricular activities. This procedure establishes the criteria for extracurricular eligibility for students entering High School.

## **GENERAL**

- 1. A student entering ninth grade will not be eligible to participate in extracurricular activities including sports unless the student has earned a passing grade in at least four (4) classes during the marking period immediately prior to entering the ninth grade.
- The student may participate in activities such as marching band that are integrally associated with an academic class provided that the individual completes the classwork and is a student in good standing in the class. The principal will determine which classes/activities apply under this section.
- Eligibility for periods subsequent to the first marking period of the ninth grade will be determined by the performance during the prior marking period as is consistent with other students in the District.
- 4. The decision of the High School Principal with respect to eligibility will be final.

This policy is effective on July 1, 1999.

Adopted by the Board of Education on August 10, 1998.

Claude L. Inch, Superintendent

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