

*Ohio High School Athletic Association*  
4080 Roselea Place, Columbus, Ohio 43214  
**Official Eligibility Certificate – 7-8<sup>th</sup> Grade**

**Please be advised that this eligibility information should be shared with the coaching staff prior to student participation in any contest.**

**SCHOOL NAME** \_\_\_\_\_ **CITY** \_\_\_\_\_ **SCHOOL YEAR** \_\_\_\_\_

**SPORT** \_\_\_\_\_ **BOYS** \_\_\_\_\_ **GIRLS** \_\_\_\_\_

1. In accordance with Bylaw 3-6-1, at the beginning of each sport season, the principal/designee of each member school ***MUST*** prepare an eligibility certificate listing the students eligible under OHSAA bylaws to represent the school in each sport. Eligibility certificates shall be prepared for each sport in which the school participates and filed in the office of the principal/designee and available for inspection upon request.
2. Corrections, additions and deletions may be made as the sport season progresses and, must be filed in the office of the principal/designee.
3. In order to participate in any interscholastic contest, students must be eligible in accordance with all sections of Bylaw 4-Student Eligibility (e.g. age, scholarship, semester, parent resides in Ohio, etc.)
4. In column A, list students alphabetically by number of semesters in 7-8th grade since entering Grade 7 for the first time (1-2, 3-4)
  - Column B on this form is the student's birth date. This information is important to enable you to identify if any student turns 15 years old prior to August 1 of the school year in question.
  - Column C on this form is the date the student first enrolled at ***any*** 7-8 grade school. This information is important to enable you to track semesters of eligibility.
  - Column D of this form addresses a student's scholastic eligibility. Every student, except incoming 7<sup>th</sup> graders (see Bylaw 4-4-5), are required to have received passing grades in a minimum of four classes during the immediately preceding grading period. You also want to make sure they are currently enrolled in at least four classes to ensure they have the opportunity to meet the scholastic requirement during the next grading period.
  - Columns E and F assists you in ensuring that each athlete has a parent in Ohio and that the student is a United States citizen, which are both requirements in order for the student to have any athletic participation at an OHSAA member school.
5. Place non-enrolled students who are on home-education, those who attend non-public schools that do not sponsor the sport, and those who attend Community or STEM schools that do not sponsor the sport into the correct semester category. **Use the date of the student's first participation in an interscholastic contest as the "date first entered your school" and denote those students with an asterisk \*.**

*I verify that the following students are eligible under the rules of the OHSAA.*

**Principals' or Designee's Signature**

	Column A Student Names Alphabetically By Number of Semesters Last Name First (See #4)	Column B Student Birth Date	Column C Date First Entered Grade 7	Column D Student has passed 4 classes in the immediately preceding grading period AND is currently enrolled in at least four classes? (Yes or No)	Column E Student has a Parent living in Ohio, or meets requirements of an exception to Residency Bylaw? (Yes or No)	Column F Student was born in US (or US territory), or meets requirements of an exception to International & Exchange Student Bylaw? (Yes or No)
		(Bylaw 4-2)	(Bylaw 4-3)	(Bylaw 4-4)	(Bylaw 4-6)	(Bylaw 4-8)
Ex.	Abbott, Mary	8/25/2006	8/28/2019*	Yes	Yes	Yes, approved under exc. 1
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		Student Names Alphabetically By Number of Semesters Last Name First (See #4)	Student Birth Date	Date First Entered Grade 7	Student has passed 5 classes in the immediately preceding grading period AND is currently enrolled in at least five classes? (Yes or No) (Bylaw 4-4)	Student has a Parent living in Ohio, or meets requirements of an exception to Residency Bylaw? (Yes or No) (Bylaw 4-6)	Student was born in US (or US territory), or meets requirements of an exception to International & Exchange Student Bylaw? (Yes or No) (Bylaw 4-8)
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FILE IN OFFICE OF PRINCIPAL/DESIGNEE PRIOR TO FIRST CONTEST.

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