2011 Academic Guide Q & A
Meeting: January 7, 2011

Q1: Athletic Eligibility w/Credit Recovery using A+?

As of 2/15/11, no credit recovery courses will count toward NCAA athletic eligibility.

However, successfully completed credit recovery courses will count toward athletic eligibility in Baldwin County Public Schools.

Q2: Using A+ in Summer School—how does that affect Athletic Eligibility?

Same answer as Q1.

Q3: Summer School Dates?

The hours for summer school (for students who are making-up failed courses) are 8:30-12:00, Monday through Thursday, June 6 – June 30.

L.I.F.E. PE students must attend summer school from 8:30-3:30, Monday through Friday, June 6 – July 1.

The following ½ credit electives can be offered in summer school: Physical Education, Computer Applications, Health, Arts Survey, and Driver’s Education. Students can take only one ½ credit elective because they must earn 70 seat hours. The hours for summer school for students taking a ½ credit courses are 8:30-1:00, Monday through Thursday, June 6 – June 30.

Q4: Grades for Summer School using A+ vs Grades for Credit Recovery using A+?

Students in summer school using A+ must complete all modules and mastery tests. Any student who has failed a core course is eligible for summer school.

Students in credit recover during the school year using A+ have the opportunity to opt-out of modules and mastery tests if they earn an 80% or higher on each module’s pretest. Students who have failed a core course with a grade between 40-59 are eligible for credit recovery during the school year.
Q5 & A: If students passed 18-week computer course, then put \( \frac{1}{2} \) credit on the transcript and student does not have to take BTA.

Correct. The Computer Applications course in 8\textsuperscript{th} grade satisfies the computer requirement for graduation as well as the online experience requirement for graduation. High school registrars should post the grade earned for this course and a half credit for students who successfully completed this course as 8\textsuperscript{th} graders.

Students who did not take Computer Applications in the 8\textsuperscript{th} grade may earn the computer requirement and the online experience requirement by taking BTA or an ACCESS course.

Q6: Transition from block?

In 2011-2012, all high schools will offer AP courses in either an A/B block schedule or a “skinny block” schedule.

BCBOE will not use the 4 x 4 block system (in its current form) beginning 2012-2013.

Q7: Can the course 7501 PE Athletics qualify for a waiver for the LIFE course?

Not at this time.

Q8: What do we do about upperclassmen who have not had LIFE PE?

If they've had PE, then let it go. Make certain that all future high school students are signed up for LIFE PE/JROTC/Marching Band at some time during the 4-year journey through high school.

Students may only earn one credit in LIFE PE. Students must be placed into PE electives for their 2\textsuperscript{nd}, 3\textsuperscript{rd}, or 4\textsuperscript{th} credits in PE.

Q9: Does the “Too Good for Drugs” middle school curriculum match the MS Health curriculum?

The 7\textsuperscript{th} grade Too Good for Drugs curriculum covers only standards 9, 15 & 16 in the Health Course of Study. The health teacher may use the Too Good for Drugs curriculum as a supplement to the Health textbook.

The 8\textsuperscript{th} grade Too Good for Drugs curriculum covers only standards 6, 7, 8 and 13. The health teacher may use the Too Good for Drugs curriculum as a supplement to the Health textbook.