All freshmen athletes will be assigned to an academic coach who will help monitor students off of the field. Our overall goal is to keep students involved in school by making sure they are academically successful. Any student who refuses to participate in the academic coaching program will not be able to participate in sports.

**Academic Coach Expectations**
- Academic coaches are expected to meet with their assigned students at least once a week, with additional time spent assisting students and communicating with parents, teachers, counselors and coaches.
- Academic coaches should gather grade/behavior check cards twice a month and teach study skills, life skills, SAT/ACT prep.
- Report hours to Mr. Weiser by the 15th of every month.
- Communicate with other academic coaches via the Firstclass conference.

**Student Expectations**
- Students are expected to attend weekly meetings with their academic coaches.
- Students are also expected to keep all grades in the A, B, or C range.
- If a student has any grades of D or F, they will be placed on probation. Students who do not raise their grade(s) by at least one letter grade (or by a significant percentage) prior to the next grade check, will face possible consequences (see below).
- Students are also expected to maintain good behavior and involvement during academic coaching sessions. Students who do not may face probation and athletic consequences.

**Possible Consequences**
- After one initial probationary period, a student who is still in failing status can face a ONE WEEK or TWO COMPETITION suspension, whichever occurs first.
- Any continuously failing grades can result in cumulative consequences (i.e. a suspension of TWO WEEKS or FOUR COMPETITIONS, whichever occurs first.)
- Each time a student returns to passing status, the consequence cycle will start over.
- When an academic coach determines that a student should face an athletic consequence, they need to notify Athletic Director as soon as possible. Athletic Director will gather information and make a determination about punishments.
- Athletic Director will determine all final consequences.
Omaha North High Magnet School has created a new Academic Program for students who are involved in athletics. As a faculty, we value your child and want to ensure that as a student athlete, we are not only preparing him/her for the playing field, but also for his/her academic achievement.

We have high aspirations to prepare our athletes for post secondary education. With this priority in mind, we are developing an Academic Program for student athletes. For the 2012-13 school year, student athletes will be expected to pass 6 classes in order to be eligible to participate in a given sport. With this program, if the student is not passing 6 classes, he or she will be required to complete study tables after school. The study table advisor will be working with head coaches to help with this process. The students will not miss practice or a game if he/she is fulfilling these hours. However, if the student continues to pass less than 6 classes for a period of time, and is not utilizing study table hours, then he/she will be suspended from practice or games until further notice of academic improvement. These decisions will be made by the athletic director, the study table advisor, and the head coach of the student’s sport.

Omaha North High Magnet School feels this program is a very important element to your student athlete’s high school experience. WE want to ensure that our students not only put time and dedication to their sport, but also to their education.

The Athletic Academic Program (AAP) ensures both success when the athlete is participating in the sport and during the off season of the sport. Athletes may be approached by their coaches to continue to seek the support of the program during the off season to ensure academic success throughout the year. Although there may be no direct penalties enforced for lack of attendance, the expectation is the student/athlete will seek success in the classroom, so they will be prepared in their academics when their sport is in season.

**Study Table Policy**

Athletes who are not passing 6 classes will be assigned study table hours by head coaches. Coaches can schedule hours through the study table calendar. Teachers will have access to this information so they are aware of scheduled athletes.

Athletes are required to complete at least 2 study table hours per week until they are passing at least 6 classes. Athletes must complete a minimum of one hour per session. However, weekly hours could be completed in one session. Additional hours may be requested by the head coach.

Athlete must arrive at the scheduled start of the study table or they will be turned away.

Athletes must bring work and must be working for the entire one hour period.

Any type of misconduct will result in the athlete be asked to leave. That session will not count toward study table hours. The head coach will be notified of the misconduct. Multiple offenses could result in the removal from the sport.

**Study Table Times**

- **Location:** Media Center
- **Days:** Tuesday and Thursday
- **Time:**
  - 3:00 – 5:00
  - 5:30 – 8:15
  - ✓ Transportation will be provided for those attending this session
  - ✓ Snack will be provided during this session
- **Duration:** September 3 through December 20