



# Decatur Independent School District

## 2025-2026 UIL Academic Eligibility Calendar

- Students lose eligibility for a three-school week period, defined as 15 class days. (One shortened week may be counted as 5 days with 10 other actual class days making up the 15 class days.)
- Waiting periods for academic eligibility are seven (7) calendar days after the evaluation, with the exception of holidays.
- Academic Eligibility is determined from nine-week grades, not semester grades.
- After the 1st six weeks academic eligibility check, students may only lose academic eligibility at the nine-week grading report.
- Students can regain academic eligibility at the three-week progress reports, and at the nine-week grading report.
- Students gain or lose eligibility at the end of the school day.
- All students are academically eligible during the Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Spring Break holidays.
- Following Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Spring Break holidays, ineligible students return to being ineligible until the next grade check and waiting period.
- All students are academically eligible through the summer.
- Total credits from the previous year determine the first six weeks eligibility for 10th-12th students. The 2nd year of high school, they need 5 credits. 3rd year = 10 credits. 4th year = 15 credits. For 7th-9th students, promotion to the next grade means they are eligible the first six weeks.

### Aug. 6– Oct. 2 - 1st Quarter

Wednesday	Aug. 6	First Day of School	<b>All students who have proper credits are eligible.</b>
Thursday	Sept. 11	PR2 - 1st Six Weeks Academic Eligibility Check	
Thursday	Sept. 18	PR2 Eligibility Waiting Period Ends	<b>Students gain or lose eligibility</b>
Thursday	Oct. 2	T1 Grading Period Ends - Academic Eligibility Check	

### Oct. 6 – Dec. 18 - 2nd Quarter - End of 1st Semester

Thursday	Oct. 9	T1 Eligibility Waiting Period Ends	<b>Students gain or lose eligibility</b>
Thursday	Oct. 23	PR3 Academic Eligibility Check	
Thursday	Oct. 30	PR3 Eligibility Waiting Period Ends	<b>Students gain eligibility</b>
Thursday	Nov. 13	PR4 Academic Eligibility Check	
Thursday	Nov. 20	PR4 Eligibility Waiting Period Ends	<b>Students gain eligibility</b>
<b>Nov. 20-30 All students are eligible beginning at the dismissal bell on Nov. 20 (Thanksgiving Break)</b>			
Thursday	Dec. 18	T2 Grading Period Ends - Academic Eligibility Check	
<b>Dec. 18-Jan. 5 All students are eligible beginning at the dismissal bell on Dec. 18 (Christmas Break)</b>			



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### Jan. 6 – March 12 - 3rd Quarter

Thursday	Jan. 8	T2 Eligibility Waiting Period Ends	<b>Students gain or lose eligibility</b>
Friday	Jan. 23	PR5 Academic Eligibility Check	
Friday	Jan. 30	PR5 Eligibility Waiting Period Ends	<b>Students gain eligibility</b>
Thursday	Feb. 12	PR6 Academic Eligibility Check	
Thursday	Feb. 19	PR6 Eligibility Waiting Period Ends	<b>Students gain eligibility</b>
Thursday	Mar. 12	T3 Grading Period Ends - Academic Eligibility Check	
<b>March 12-22 All students are eligible beginning at the dismissal bell on March 12 (Spring Break)</b>			

### March 23 – May 21 4th Quarter - End of 2nd Semester

Thursday	Mar. 26	T3 Eligibility Waiting Period Ends	<b>Students gain or lose eligibility</b>
Thursday	Apr. 9	PR7 Academic Eligibility Check	
Thursday	Apr. 16	PR7 Eligibility Waiting Period Ends	<b>Students gain eligibility</b>
Thursday	Apr. 30	PR8 Academic Eligibility Check	
Thursday	May 7	PR8 Eligibility Waiting Period Ends	<b>Students gain eligibility</b>
Thursday	May 21	T4 Grading Period Ends – End of School Year	



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### Grading guidelines

As noted in the Decatur ISD Student Handbook, students who receive grades below 70 at the end of a grading period in any academic class may not participate in extracurricular activities for at least three school weeks.

However, if a student receives a grade below 70, but above 59, at the end of the grading period in an Advanced Placement (AP) or a designated Honors course in English language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, economics, or languages other English, the student remains eligible for participation in all extracurricular activities. A student who receives a grade below 60 at the end of grading period in any advanced or honors class may not participate in extracurricular activities for at least three school weeks. The advanced and honors courses that are exempt from the "no pass, no play" requirements and utilize the local requirements are listed below.

If a student is enrolled in a state-approved course that requires demonstration of the mastery of an essential knowledge and skills in public performance and the student receives a grade below 70 in any course at the end of the grading period, the student may participate in a performance so long as the general public is invited.

Decatur ISD Exempted Courses 2025-26				
ELAR	Math	Science	Social Studies	World Language
Advanced English I	Advanced Algebra 1	Advanced Biology	Advanced World Geography	Spanish I
Advanced English II	Advanced Geometry	Advanced Chemistry	AP World History	Spanish II
Dual English 3	Advanced Algebra 2	Dual Biology	Dual US History	Advanced Spanish III
Dual English 4	Advanced/On-Ramps Pre-Calculus	Dual Animal Science	Dual Government	AP Spanish Language
	On-Ramps College Algebra	Dual Anatomy and Physiology	Dual Personal Finance (Economics)	
	AP Calculus AB	Dual Chemistry		