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The Alaska School Activities Association (ASAA) Board of Directors proposes to amend Association bylaws at its meeting on May 5-6, 2025. The amendment would be to the Semester Credit Rule. The current Semester Credit Rule requires students in grades 9–12 to have passed 2.5 credits during the previous semester to be eligible for interscholastic competition. Under the existing rule, students who narrowly miss the credit requirement are treated the same as students who demonstrate little or no academic progress.

The proposed amendment (attached) establishes a tiered eligibility structure that differentiates between partial and significant credit deficiencies, allowing for a more nuanced approach to student participation. Under this system, students who demonstrate some academic progress are permitted to retain sub-varsity participation while continuing to work toward full eligibility. The amendment also aligns the credit eligibility recovery process with the existing GPA recovery philosophy by emphasizing the importance of achieving and maintaining satisfactory academic progress. Additionally, it introduces an objective, quarter-based checkpoint to consistently evaluate and determine continued eligibility.

I will be attending the upcoming Legislative Fly-In if you would like to speak to me in person. Otherwise please share your thoughts with me and Luke via email.

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