

Athletic Eligibility Guidelines

Johnson Ferry Christian Academy and JFCA Athletics are committed to the highest standards of education and athletics. Participation in athletics at JFCA is an honor and a privilege. This privilege is based on several requirements of student-athletes in their academics, conduct, and grade level. JFCA Athletics are open to 5th-12th grade JFCA students varying by sport and season.

Academic Eligibility

Rigorous academics are foundational to the education of JFCA students. As such, academics take top priority at JFCA and are supported by the Academic Eligibility Guidelines. Academic eligibility is determined by performance of a student-athlete in the classroom. Students are responsible for their academic performance and are encouraged to partner with their parents and teachers to meet and exceed the requirements of any given class.

JFCA athletic eligibility guidelines can be found in the ***JFCA Parent/Student Handbook*** for the current school year. All student athletes must maintain eligibility based on JFCA guidelines in conjunction with league or association policy. Failure to meet JFCA or league/association requirements may result in loss of eligibility or dismissal from the program.

Conduct Eligibility

As a Christ-Centered institution, we are called to love others as Christ loved us first. Following the example presented by Jesus, built from a relationship with God, all JFCA student-athletes are held to a high standard of conduct as leaders in their sport, school, and community. Student-athletes are expected to be in good standing with their coach, team, school, and community with no outstanding issues with legal authorities, school officials, or other areas of authority. As JFCA athletes, students are held to the JFCA Major Guidelines of Conduct and the Honor Code of Conduct as detailed in the ***JFCA Parent/Student Handbook***. Failure to maintain an acceptable level of conduct may result in suspension or dismissal from the program. Student-athletes are encouraged to seek Christ as their source and deepen their relationship with God to develop themselves on and off the field of competition.



Grade/Age Eligibility

JFCA Athletics offers sports programs designed for interscholastic competition at the middle school and high school levels. Middle school teams are open to 5th-8th grade students. Any middle school student who turns 15 prior to September 1st of the current school year of participation will not be eligible to play middle school sports that year. At no time will a high school student be eligible to compete on a middle school team. High school teams are open to 7th-12th grade students varying by sport. Students who have graduated from high school or have turned 19 prior to May 1st preceding the school year of participation will not be eligible for competition the following school year. High school students have eight consecutive semesters or four consecutive years of eligibility from the date of entry into the 9th grade.

