



FAILURE AND SUMMER SCHOOL

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A student who fails one or two classes must either reschedule the class (by school counseling office permission only) or go to summer school and pass in order to go on to the next grade. A maximum of two subjects may be made up in the summer. A student in grades seven through twelve who fails three or more subjects will have to repeat the grade and will be placed on academic probation if he returns to Harding.

When a student in grades 9–11 fails a subject not offered in summer school, he will have to make it up during the following school year, if the schedule permits. However, neither Bible nor English classes may be made up during the next year.

An athlete who fails a class and considers rescheduling the class for the next year rather than attending summer school needs to be aware of the TSSAA policy that requires a student to earn six credits in order to participate in athletics the following year. Questions about this policy should be directed to the athletic director (Mr. Starks) and a school counselor.

A student who has failed Bible, English, or mathematics may not make up the credit by taking courses at two grade levels at the same time.

New credits for work required for a diploma may be not earned in summer school.

When a student in grades seven or eight does not pass a core subject (Bible, English, mathematics, science, or social studies), he will have to attend and pass summer school to make up that class in order to be promoted to the next grade. A maximum of two core subjects may be made up in summer school.

When a student fails Bible, he will be required to attend summer school at Harding. Tuition commensurate with summer school tuition at other local schools will be charged. A student who chooses not to make up a Bible course will not be a candidate to return to Harding for another year.

Some courses for seventh and eighth graders are not offered in summer school. In that case, Harding Academy will provide a summer assignment. Tuition commensurate with summer school tuition at other local schools will be charged. The student must pass the summer assignment in order to be promoted to the next grade.

A student will not be allowed to repeat more than one grade at Harding and may repeat that grade one time only.

A student who fails two quarters in a single semester will not be allowed to take the semester examination and will, thus, fail for the semester.

A student who fails the second semester of a class has failed the class for the year, regardless of the first semester grade. The average of the two semesters must be at least a D to pass for the year. Harding does not award a half-credit for one semester of a year-long course. A student who attends summer school must take both semesters of the course he failed.

If a student repeats a course because of failure, both grades will be reflected on the transcript and calculated into the GPA. The student will receive credit for the repeated course.

Except for Bible (when there is sufficient demand), Harding Academy does not offer summer school. Students who are required to attend summer school must attend a school fully accredited by either the Tennessee State Department of Education or the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (AdvancEd). Online coursework approved by the school is acceptable.