

## **Academic Standing**

### **Academic Probation**

Any Commonwealth Governor School (CGS) student whose grade point average (GPA) in the core subjects (English, Social Studies, Mathematics, and Science) falls below a 2.5 will be placed on academic probation at the end of a semester. Weighted grades will be considered in the GPA at each grade level.

At the conclusion of any semester when the GPA is below 2.5, the student and family will meet with their academic team to develop a written '*Academic Plan for Success*' that will include goals that will help him/her improve their grade point average.

Removal from probationary status will occur when the CGS student maintains at least a 2.5 grade point average or higher in core subject areas the following semester.

### **Dismissal**

A CGS student may be dismissed from The Commonwealth Governor's School when his/her semester GPA in core subjects falls below the 2.5 standard for two consecutive semesters. The decision to dismiss a CGS student for low academic performance will be made by the student's CGS teachers at the CGS school site in conjunction with the Director of The Commonwealth Governor's School. The CGS teachers will review academic records, student work samples, attendance, progress and the '*Academic Plan for Success*'. The student will be notified in writing about the impending dismissal which will take place the following academic year. A conference will be made with the student, parents, and his/her teachers to discuss the academic placement of the student at the conclusion of the academic year.

### **Dismissal Appeal Process**

A CGS student in jeopardy of being dismissed for low academic performance has the right to appeal the dismissal decision. He or she may do so by submitting a letter of appeal to the CGS site teachers and the Director of The Commonwealth Governor's School. The appeal letter must be submitted by the student within seven (7) days of having been notified in writing that he/she is being dismissed from The Commonwealth Governor's School.

Upon submission of the appeal letter, the CGS student will be scheduled to meet with the CGS site teachers and the Director to discuss the reasons why he or she believes that they should remain in The Commonwealth Governor's School. A student has the right to have their parents attend the meeting as well as another member of their school educational team such as a school counselor, teacher, coach, or principal. A final decision regarding the outcome of the student's academic future will be communicated at this meeting. It is the intention of The Commonwealth Governor's School to frequently communicate with the student and his/her family about academic progress during the school term.