



Duke Ellington School of the Arts Artistic Probation Contract

The mission of the Duke Ellington School of the Arts is to meet the needs of talented students, who may not have arts training opportunities and who are considering careers in the arts. Failing a class in your artistic concentration is alarming and cause for great concern. Any student receiving a D or F in his/her arts class shall be placed on artistic probation. Once a student is placed on artistic probation they remain on until the next advisory period, provided they do not fail an arts class. **The purpose of this contract is to provide students with additional structure so that they may improve their artistic standing.**

Students on artistic probation must avail themselves of the following support:

- **Additional assistance from arts teachers and department chairs**
- **Mentor support (when available)**
- **Weekly progress reports**

Parents should expect the following support mechanisms from DESA:

- **A required meeting to outline probationary status**
- **Weekly progress reports**
- **A letter indicating whether probation will be lifted or continued, or any other intervention strategies.**

Parents must make direct phone contact with the Dean of Arts twice during the probationary advisory.

Students on artistic probation will be excluded from extra-curricular activities and non-essential field trips. Participation in extra-curricular activities will be restored upon the successful completion of four weekly progress reports.

Student Signature

Administrator/Department Chair

Parent Signature

Date