

SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS (SAP)

Leech Lake Tribal College evaluates Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) at the end of each semester to determine continued eligibility for Title IV financial aid. To maintain SAP, students must earn a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0, complete at least 67% of attempted credits, and finish their program within 150% of its published length. Students who fail to meet SAP for the first time are placed on Financial Aid Warning for one semester and may still receive aid. If they do not meet SAP the following semester, they are placed on Financial Aid Suspension and must submit a written appeal with documentation of extenuating circumstances. If the appeal is approved, the student is placed on Financial Aid Probation for one semester and may continue receiving aid; they must either meet SAP or follow an academic plan by the end of that term. Students who meet the terms of their academic plan may continue receiving aid even if their cumulative GPA or pace remains below standard, as long as they are making progress under the plan. There is no automatic amnesty if the student fails to meet SAP or the academic plan. Transfer credits accepted toward the student's program count as both attempted and completed credits in the calculation of pace but are not included in the GPA calculation. All grades—including withdrawals, incompletes, repeats, and remedial coursework—are factored into SAP evaluations. Students are notified of their SAP status in writing each semester.