

VII. ATHLETIC AWARDS POLICY

Requirements for earning a letter have been established. Athletes are to be informed of these requirements prior to the season. These requirements will add more meaning and significance to earning a letter and prevent many problems that arise after the awards program.

Special athletic awards may be given to those teams who win their district championship, regional championship, and/or state championship. The coach and the athletic director will determine the type of award.

A. Varsity Letter Requirements

The varsity award shall be presented to an athlete who satisfies the participation requirements, completes all team obligations and receives the recommendation of the coach.

B. Lettering Criteria That Pertain to All Sports

1. An athlete who moves from one level of competition to another will letter at the level of the highest competition, provided the athlete has met lettering requirements.
2. A coach will have the prerogative to award a letter to a senior who has not met the seasonal requirements.
3. Any athlete who was a starter or played regularly and was thereafter injured may be awarded a letter, if in the coach's judgment, he/she would have met the lettering requirements.
4. The athlete must complete the season in good standing with the school and coach.
5. Athletes are required to attend all practices unless there is an excused absence approved by the coach. The athlete must finish the season as a team member in good standing.
6. Athletes should realize that they are representing their school and community and shall conduct themselves in such a manner that they are an asset to the school and community.
7. Adherence to all training rules is required.

C. Specific Criteria in Meeting the Requirements for a Letter

1. Football – Play in ½ of all Varsity regular season contests and must finish the season as a team member in good standing.
2. Basketball - Play in ½ of all Varsity regular season contests and must finish the season as a team member in good standing.
3. Volleyball - Play in ½ of all Varsity regular season contests and must finish the season as a team member in good standing.
4. Soccer - Play in ½ of all Varsity regular season contests and must finish the season as a team member in good standing.
5. Baseball - Play in ½ of all Varsity regular season contests or 1/3 of all Varsity regular season contests if a pitcher only and must finish the season as a team member in good standing.
6. Softball - Play in ½ of all Varsity regular season contests or 1/3 of all Varsity regular season contests if a pitcher only and must finish the season as a team member in good standing.

7. Lacrosse - Play in ½ of all Varsity regular season contests and must finish the season as a team member in good standing.
8. Cheerleading – Make the Varsity Squad and finish the season as a team member in good standing.

D. Team/Individual Sports:

1. Cross Country – Finish in the top 10 for your school in ½ of all Varsity regular season meets or qualify for the Conference Tournament and must finish the season as a member in good standing.
2. Wrestling – Compete in ½ of all regular Varsity matches or qualify for the Conference Tournament and must finish the season as a member in good standing.
3. Track – Score team point(s) in ½ of all Regular season Varsity meets or qualify for the Conference Tournament and must finish the season as a member in good standing.
4. Golf – Compete in ½ of all Varsity regular season matches as a member of the top 6 or qualify for the Conference Tournament and must finish the season as a member in good standing.
5. Tennis – Compete in ½ of all Varsity regular season matches as a member of the top 6 singles or the top 3 doubles or qualify for the Conference Tournament and must finish the season as a member in good standing.
6. Gymnastics – Compete in ½ of all Varsity regular season meets or qualify for the Conference Tournament and must finish the season as a member in good standing.
7. Swim – Compete in ½ of all Varsity regular season meets and finish in the top 2 for your school or qualify for the Conference Tournament and must finish the season as a member in good standing.