

Trustees' Scholar Awards

The District shall establish a program of annual awards to high school students to recognize and encourage outstanding academic achievement. The award shall be of Districtwide significance rather than identified by individual schools. It shall be known as the "Trustees' Scholar Award" and shall be awarded annually in a special ceremony by each high school.

The award shall be in the form of a gold medallion and a certificate. The medallion shall be given only the fourth year a student is a recipient or the third year if the student is an early graduate. The medallion shall indicate academic achievement in its design. The certificate shall be given each year a student is a recipient. The certificate shall contain the numeral 9, 10, 11, or 12 in the center to identify the grade level.

Eligibility for the award shall be determined in the following manner:

1. The recipients must be scholastically within the top ten percent of their class group based on either their cumulative grade point average (GPA) or their rank GPA at the end of the first five reporting periods for the school year [see EIC(LOCAL)].
2. The GPA shall be determined by the standard process of GPA calculation used in all District high schools. [See EIA(REGULATION)]
3. Students must have earned at least a 3.0 GPA. The fall semester average (counted three times) and the fourth and fifth six-week period grade averages (counted one time each) shall be used in calculating the GPA. Pass/fail grades shall not be used in computing any student's GPA. A student who receives an I or an NC grade shall not be eligible to receive the award.
4. Transfer students shall be eligible for an award after they have been in attendance at a District high school for at least two six-week grading periods, one being the fifth six-week grading period. Therefore, a student must attend District schools for either the first, second, third, or fourth six-week grading periods and must also attend the fifth six-week grading period in order to be eligible for an award. Grades from outside the District shall be converted to grade point values as specified above.

Outside Awards

Any person, institution, firm, club, organization, or other group desiring to establish a local scholarship, award, or any other type of

recognition for students must submit the proposal in writing to the District for its approval before any such scholarship or award may be conferred.