

The criteria used for the awarding of letter jackets and/or letters shall be the same for all Pearland ISD campuses for each program. Listed below are the requirements for each approved organization:

Baseball

To letter on the varsity, you must have competed at the varsity level at least half of district or completed your junior year in the program.

Boys Basketball

Any member on the Varsity squad (player or manager) will received a letter jacket or letter, regardless of playing time.

Girls' Basketball

It is the intension of this coaching staff and the basketball program to afford all student-athletes and managers a fair opportunity to earn a letter jacket while participating in basketball within a four year period. The criteria below must be met in order to receive a letter jacket.

Points/Achievement

Athlete's Lettering Policy:

1. The athlete must attend all scheduled practices and games during the season unless excused by the coach, including all tournaments and post-season games.
2. The athlete must have played in 3 varsity games during the season.
3. The athlete must be in good standing on the team and not been on a probationary contract – coaches' decision.
4. The athlete must not have any unexcused absences during the season.
5. If an athlete fails to letter during the season, the athlete must be chosen by the coach. If she is a junior and played the entire season on the JV team and she has a possibility of making the team her senior year. It will be a coaches' decision based on performance and contribution to the program.

Manager's Lettering Policy:

1. The manager must attend all scheduled practices and games during the season unless excused by the coach, including all tournaments and post-season games.
2. The manager must be able to perform managerial duties well, with little guidance, and be able to follow all instructions especially during varsity games.
3. Managers must show honesty in all endeavors as well as be responsible and trust worthy.
4. Managers must complete 2 consecutive years, adhering to all guidelines listed above.

Cross Country & Track

It is the intension of this coaching staff and the cross country athletic program to afford all student-athletes and managers a fair opportunity to earn a letter jacket while participating in cross country within a four-year period. The criteria below must be met in order to receive a letter jacket or a varsity letter.

Athlete's Lettering Policy:

1. The athlete must attend all scheduled practices and meets during the season unless excused by the coach, including out of town meets and post-season meets.
2. The athlete must be in good standing on the team and not have any probationary contracts – coaches' decision.
3. The athlete must compete and finish in at least four varsity races during a single season or run in the varsity competition at the district championship meet.
4. If an athlete fails to letter during the season, the athlete must be chosen by the coach as a varsity alternate and compete in post-season meets.

Manager's Lettering Policy:

1. The manager must attend all scheduled practices and meets during the season unless excused by the coach, including out of town meets and post-season meets.
2. The manager must be able to perform managerial duties well, with little guidance, and be able to follow directions, especially during meets.
3. Managers must show honesty in all endeavors.
4. To earn a letterman's jacket, a manager must complete three consecutive cross country seasons, adhering to all guidelines listed above.

Football

Points/Achievements

1. Any senior that completes the entire season regardless of playing time.
2. Any underclassmen that suits up for at least 5 or more regular varsity games, regardless of playing time, Excluding playoffs.
3. Any underclassmen that participates in 2 or more ball games, including the playoffs, when the game is still in jeopardy (this is determined by the head coach's discretion.)
4. At the discretion of the Head Football Coach.

Golf

To be eligible for a Letter Jacket, a student must play in 5 Varsity tournaments in one year.

Powerlifting

It is the intention of this coaching staff and the powerlifting athletic program to afford all student-athletes a fair opportunity to earn a letter jacket while participating in powerlifting within a four-year period. The criteria below must be met in order to receive a letter jacket or a varsity letter.

Athlete's Lettering Policy:

1. The athlete must attend all scheduled practices and meets during the season unless excused by the coach, including out of town meets.
2. The athlete must maintain a passing average at all grading periods and progress report checks.
3. The athlete must compete and score at least 10 points in a single season or compete at the regional championship meet.
4. Any senior that has competed in multiple seasons, regardless of points scored or qualifications.

Soccer

1. All sub-varsity players will receive certificates.
2. The first letter award on the varsity level is a letter jacket. Subsequent letters will be given by either yearly slash marks or another letter.
3. Players must attend practices, games, and tournaments. You must positively represent the program on and off the field.
4. Any player who quits or is disqualified from the program prior to the final game of the season will NOT letter.
5. Any player in violation of the school's alcohol, tobacco, or drug policy will NOT letter.
6. If a player is injured, but still comes to games and practices and complies with all other standards, that player will letter provided that they were an established varsity player prior to the injury.
7. Players must be academically eligible through the entire season.
8. Players must participate in at least 50% of varsity contests to letter.

Softball

Points/Achievement

1. Varsity roster for entire season, or:
2. If not on varsity roster entire season, played over 50% of games at varsity level and/or finished the season on the varsity level.
3. Manager who has completed 2 years in the program and completed duties to the satisfaction of the coaching staff.

Sports Medicine Program

Student athletic trainers will be able to earn a letter jacket after 3 semesters or 1.5 years in the program.

Swim Team / Water Polo / Diving

1. Reaches the regional meet in either a relay or individual event
 - a. I am allowed to enter 4 swimmers per individual event at the district meet and 1 relay per relay event
 - b. So I will enter the four fastest swimmers in each event
2. Attends 2/4 dual meets and 2/6 meets for club swimmers and 90% for non-club swimmers competitions
3. Does not have any unexcused absences (from practices or competitions)
4. Is in good standing with the team, academic teachers, school district administration, and has not been placed on a probationary contract or suspension with any of the above offenses
5. Maintains all passing grades every 6 weeks
6. Is entering into his/her senior year, has served

Tennis

Points/Achievement

To letter in the sport of tennis, players must do one or more of the following:

Compete in at least 4 of the 8 DISTRICT varsity team tennis matches in the fall by competing in one or more of the following categories in a given match:

Boy's Doubles, Girl's Doubles, Mixed Doubles, Boy's Singles, or Girl's singles.*

-OR-

Compete in at least 2 DISTRICT varsity team tennis matches, and compete in the area tournament.

-OR-

Compete in the Varsity District Tournament in the spring.

*To be considered as counting as a district team tennis match, the player must play in one or more of the 19 matches in any given dual match. For example, if a player plays in the number 5 singles spot, and the number 2 doubles spot, this would count as one dual match towards the total number of matches needed to letter.

Volleyball

Points/Achievement

Athlete's Lettering Policy:

1. A player has to finish in good standing for the season on the varsity team to qualify for a letter.
2. A player has to participate in 95% of practices and 40% of all matches during the season.
3. A player cannot have any discipline referrals during the season to be able to qualify for a letter.
4. A player cannot fail a class during the season to qualify for a letter.

Manager's Lettering Policy:

1. A manager has to finish in good standing for the season on the varsity team.
2. A manager has to participate in 95% of practices and 95% of matches throughout the season.
3. A manager has to serve two years on the varsity team to qualify for a letter.
4. A manager cannot have any discipline referrals during the season to qualify for a letter.
5. A manager cannot fail a class during the season to qualify for a letter.

PISD Academic Decathlon

Student must qualify for and compete at state, national or international competition.

All A's

In order to earn a letter jacket for All A's, the student must have an A in every class from the time that they entire high school through their junior year. Eligible students will be able to order the jacket at the first letter jacket fitting of their senior year.

Future Problem Solvers

Student must qualify for and compete in state, national or international competition.

Newspaper/Yearbook

Students need to earn 15 points to letter.

Points/Achievement

1. Being a staff member for one academic year – 5 points
2. Being an editor, section editor, head or lead photographer for one year – 5 points
3. Logging at least 40 hours of work as a staff member outside of the regular school day, during the school year – 5 points*

*Student must keep a log and have an editor in chief, managing editor or adviser sign to verify each assignment. Log must be complete and turned in by the end of the school year. Summer hours may be awarded by the adviser for working on final deadlines after the end of the school year.

Student Government Lettering Policy

Class sponsors and Student Council sponsors will notify the appropriate office personnel when students have met point requirements and may be measured for a jacket or purchase a letter. The students will be responsible for keeping track of their service hours in a format offered by the corresponding sponsor. No one may be allowed to order their jacket before the end of their sophomore year.

If an officer is removed from office, they forfeit their right to earn a letter for that school year.

75 total points are required to earn a letter jacket. (These point totals are subject to amendment at the end of the school year.)

Points/Achievement

1. Officer for at least 1 year + 125 points total, at least 50 points per year.
2. Not an officer + 150 points total, at least 50 points per year.
3. Ways to earn points
4. Meeting attendance = 1 point
5. School activity volunteering and participation = 1 point per 30 minutes of service
6. Community service volunteering = 1 point per 30 minutes of service
7. Other events left up to sponsor discretion.

Business Professionals of America (BPA), Pearland ISD

Students have an opportunity to earn a letter jacket with the BPA letter through the following point system. The organization reserves the right to revise any part of the point system to include additional opportunities or clarify existing requirements.

Points/Achievement

ACTIVITY	POINTS AWARDED	EXAMPLES	REQUIREMENTS
MEETINGS	2	Participation at any meeting of the club	To receive credit, a member must sign in and remain at the meeting for at least 80% of the session
CAMPUS ACTIVITIES	2 per hour	Participation at high school events such as Homecoming	To receive credit, a member must sign in, work their entire shift, and sign out with the officer in charge
SOCIAL EVENTS	2 per hour (maximum of 4 per event)	Participation at any approved social event of the organization designed to promote teambuilding among members	To receive credit, a member must sign in and out with the officer in charge
COMMUNITY SERVICE EVENTS	3 per hour	Participation at any approved service event designed to promote student involvement in the community	To receive credit, a member must sign in, work their entire shift, and sign out with the officer in charge
FUNDRAISING EVENTS	Points will vary by event	Participation points in an approved fundraiser will vary depending on the type of activity and goal for the club	To receive credit, a member must meet at least the minimum level determined by the fundraising event

COMPETE AT THE REGIONAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE IN AN INDIVIDUAL OR TEAM EVENT	15	Participation in the Regional Leadership Conference in an Individual or Team Event	To receive credit, a member must compete at the Regional Leadership Conference
ADVANCE TO AND COMPETE AT THE STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE IN AN INDIVIDUAL EVENT		Students who advance to and compete in the State BPA Leadership Conference Competitive Event in that same event automatically qualify for a letter jacket.	
ADVANCE TO AND COMPETE AT THE STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE IN A TEAM EVENT		Students who advance to and compete in the State BPA Leadership Conference Competitive Event from Regionals in that same event as an original team member automatically qualify for a letter jacket.	
SUBSTITUTE AND COMPETE AT THE STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE IN A TEAM EVENT	10	Students who serve as a replacement for an original team member must earn points toward a jacket	A student who serves as a replacement did not participate in the original research and lay the groundwork that contributed to the team's successful advancement to a higher level. They may earn a letter jacket through point accumulation.
SUBSTITUTE AND COMPETE AT THE NATIONAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE IN A TEAM EVENT	10	Students who serve as a replacement for an original team member must earn points toward a jacket	A student who serves as a replacement did not participate in the original research and lay the groundwork that contributed to the team's successful advancement to a higher level. They may earn a letter jacket through point accumulation.

*Effective for the 2015-2016 Pearland ISD School Year

DECA (PHS, DHS, and THS Chapters)

Students may earn a letter jacket if they qualify AND compete at the state DECA competition.

Health Occupations Students of America (H.O.S.A.)

To qualify for a letterman jacket, with a HOSA patch, students must earn 75 points. Per Pearland ISD policy no activity group may purchase a letterman jacket for any student

Points/Achievement (PHS, DHS, and THS Chapters)

1. Meetings - 2 points each
2. Fall Festival - 2 points per hour
3. Attend Fall Leadership Conference - 10 points
4. Fundraisers - Points vary by fundraiser
5. Social Events - 2 points per hour
6. Community Project - 3 points per hour
7. Donation Projects - Points vary by project
8. Attends HOSA Area Leadership Conference (as a competitor) - 15 points

* Students who enter an approved online competition in the fall and advance to state or national competition in that same area automatically qualify for a letter jacket.

Pearland FFA:

To be eligible to get a letter jacket through the Pearland FFA, a member must complete one of the following requirements:

1. Advanced to the State FFA Leadership Development Event
2. Advanced to State FFA Career Development Event
3. Advanced to State FFA Degree Check
4. Advanced to the auction at a Major Livestock Show
5. Win Breed Champion at a Major Livestock Show
6. Win division in science fair or public speaking
7. Place Grand champion, reserve grand champion or showmanship at Pearland Expo or Brazoria county fair
8. Banner at Area in Leadership Development Event, Career Development Event or receive individual recognition

Major Livestock Shows include:

1. Ft. Worth Livestock Show
2. San Antonio Livestock Exposition
3. San Angelo Livestock Show
4. Star of Texas Livestock Show
5. Houston Livestock Show
6. State Fair of Texas
7. National Shows

The entire cost of the letter jacket including the letter is the responsibility of the Pearland FFA member. The Pearland FFA chapter will not pay for any part of the jacket or letter expenses.

Pearadox UIL FIRST Robotics Competition (FRC) Team

Students have an opportunity to earn a letter jacket with the *FIRST* letter through the following point system. To qualify for a letterman jacket students must earn 100 points. Points can be rolled over from year to year.

- Actively participate at a regional/district FRC qualifying competition – 5 points
- Actively participate at a state FRC championship competition – 10 points
- Actively participate at a FRC World Championship – 20 points
- Logging at least 40 hours for community outreach events and/or peer mentoring, which falls outside of the regular school day, during the school year – 25 points*
- Logging at least 40 hours of crew level work outside of the regular school day, during the school year – 25 points*

*Student must keep a log and have the head coach or an assistant coach sign off on hours earned. Log must be complete and turned in by the end of the school year. Summer hours may be awarded by the head coach for community outreach events and/or peer mentoring after the end of the school year.

SkillsUSA (PHS, DHS, and THS Chapters)

Students may earn a letter jacket if they qualify AND compete at the state SkillsUSA competition.

Band and Color Guard

A student may earn his/her letter jacket by accumulating a total of fourteen (14) points using the point system listed below. These points may be earned in one year or simply accumulated over several years of participation in high school band. If a student has not acquired the necessary points by the end of his/her junior year, he/she will automatically be awarded a jacket during his/her senior year while in band.

All students who successfully complete a year in the band program will be eligible to be awarded a letter jacket provided that they have accumulated 14 points.

*Students must have 14 points to be considered and sized for Awards Jacket. Students that do not have enough awards points may not be sized for their awards jacket. These students will have to fulfill the 14-point requirement and wait to be sized until the next letter jacket sizing opportunity during the school year.

Points/Achievement

Band

1. Wind Ensemble member – 1 point
2. 9th Grade All Region Band selection – 2 points
3. All District Band selection – 2 points
4. All Region Band selection (may not use District) – 3 points
5. All Area Band selection (may not use Region) – 4 points
6. All State Band, Orchestra or Jazz selection – 12 points
7. All Region Orchestra selection – 3 points
8. All Region Jazz Band selection – 3 points
9. Successful completion of Marching Band – 2 points
10. Drum Major – 4 points
11. First Division Class I solo at UIL S & E Contest – 2 points
12. First Division Class I ensemble at UIL S & E Contest – 2 points

13. First Division Class II solo at UIL S & E Contest – 1 points
14. First Division Class II ensemble at UIL S & E Contest – 1 points
15. Second Division on ensemble at the TSSEC – 1 point
16. First Division on ensemble at the TSSEC – 2 points

Color Guard

1. Fall Color Guard – 1 point
2. First year member, has own spot – 1 point
3. Fall Region/Area Marching Contest – 1 point
4. Group A Winter Guard – 3 points
5. Group B Winter Guard – 2 points
6. Per Winter Guard Show Performance – 1 point
7. Winter Guard State Championships – 1 point
8. Color Guard Captain – 3 points
9. Color Guard Officer other than Captain – 2 points

Cheerleading

Any Varsity Cheerleader upon the completion of two full (football, volleyball, basketball) consecutive years as a Pearland ISD high school cheerleader that is in good standing will be eligible to receive a letter jacket upon the completion of the basketball season.

Seniors are eligible to receive their letter jacket as first year members of the Varsity cheer squad.

Choir

Awards will be presented to choir students based on a point system for participation and service.

Students will earn a total of 12 points to qualify for a jacket or letter award.

Points/Achievement

1. TMEA District Advance – 2 Points
2. TMEA Region Women’s Choir – 4 Points
3. TMEA Region Men’s Choir – 4 Points
4. TMEA Region Mixed Choir – 5 Points
5. TMEA Area Choir – 5 Points
6. TMEA All State Choir-10 Points
7. UIL Region Solo & Ensemble (Div. I) Class 3 – 1 Point
8. UIL Region Solo & Ensemble (Div. I) Class 2 – 2 Points
9. UIL Region Solo & Ensemble (Div. I) Class 1 – 3 Points
10. UIL State Solo & Ensemble (Excellent) Class 2 – 4 Points
11. UIL State Solo & Ensemble (Superior) Class 1 – 5 Points

Participation Year Points (awarded as a whole, per year)

1. Non-Varsity – 4 Points
2. Varsity – 6 Points
3. Musical – 4 Points
4. Convention Honor – 12 Points

Drill Team

Members earn letter jackets upon the completion of one full year on varsity drill team.

Members on the fine and fees list, or that owe the organization money, are not eligible to earn a jacket.

Theatre Arts

Awards will be presented to theatre arts students based on a point system for participation and service. Participation as a cast member or a crew member is defined by attending rehearsals after school that culminate in an evening performance where an audience is in attendance.

A total of 60 points must be earned.

Points/Achievement

1. Crew work on Productions – 8 points
2. Cast in Productions – 8 points
3. Full participant in campus enrichment activities such as, Haunted houses, Campus festivals, etc. – 8 points
4. Participation in the UIL One Act Play Competition – 8 points*

*Advancement to regional competition in UIL is an automatic award for the entire company.

UIL Literary, Academic, Speech, Debate

To be eligible for a letter jacket, a student must compete in 8 tournaments or advance to the regional level in one event.

Visual Arts

A student must earn a total of 10 points in order to be eligible to order a letter jacket. The point total may be accumulated over several years.

Points/ Achievement

1. Level 2 art class – 1 point*
2. Level 3 or Level 4 art class – 1 point*
3. Art club member for a school year – 1 point**
4. Art club officer – 2 points
5. Full participation on art related community or campus projects such as YAM, murals, theatre backdrops, etc. – 2 points
6. Completion of a competition worthy portfolio under the supervision of a PISD art teacher – 1 point
7. Participation in 3 or more PISD teacher approved art competitions in a school year – 1 point
8. VASE regional level – 2 points
9. VASE state level – 8 points
10. Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo gold level – 1 point
11. Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo auction level – 8 points
12. Pearland Livestock Show and Career Expo auction level – 5 points
13. Brazoria County Fair Portfolio Winner – 5 points
14. 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place in a PISD teacher approved art competition on the state or national level – 1 point

*A student may only earn a total of 2 points from class enrollment

**only 1 point total will be awarded

JROTC SCHOOL LETTER PROGRAM

1. Purpose - The purpose of the Pearland Independent School District JROTC School Letter program is to promote, encourage, and recognize participation in extracurricular activities which require team effort on a year around basis. Accordingly, cadets who meet the minimum participation requirements as outlined in the table below may letter.

2. General - The following guidelines apply to all team members:

a. Table of Requirements:

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS
Personal Appearance - Maintain min average on 90%
Aptitude - maintain min of 85%
JROTC Grade - maintain min of B or better
School Academic Eligibility - maintain throughout the school year
Cadets must participate in all scheduled practices and mandatory events. Approved absences must be specifically excused in advance by the Cadre.
Cadets in violation of the school district's alcohol, tobacco or drug policy will not be eligible for a letter jacket for that school year.
INDIVIDUAL TEAM REQUIREMENT - 3 Participatory Events on any team in one school year.
Color Guard
Honor Guard
Archery Team
Drill Team
Air Rifle Team
Academic Team - JROTC Leadership and Academic Bowl (JLAB)
Cyber Team
Physical Training Team
Orienteering Team
Raiders Team
COMMUNITY SERVICE REQUIREMENT
A Cadet must perform 24 hrs. Of Community Service in one school year.

b. Approving Authority: The Senior Instructor for each JROTC program will be the final approving authority for all Letters awarded.

c. Academic Year: *This JROTC School Letter program is applicable to the 2016-2017 school year.