Scarborough High School – Athletic Awards

To be eligible for awards a student must be in good standing during their high school career in athletics and completed the full season in their sport. A varsity letter and distinctive pin is presented to athletes. Some athletic awards include the following:

- A four-year letter plaque is presented to each athlete who earns a letter in one sport in each year of high school
- The Edward J. "Packy" McFarland Scholar Athlete Award – is given to a senior who is the embodiment of the true student-athlete – someone who demonstrates great academic success, athletic talent and superior character.
- Richard P. Johnson Male and Female Athlete(s) of the Year – The Richard Johnson Award, given to the Red Storm senior male and senior female athlete demonstrating exceptional athleticism in their time as a high school athlete.
- The Athletic Director's Award is presented to student-athletes who participated in three sports for each of the four years in high school to celebrate this outstanding achievement.
- Coaches/Boosters may provide additional awards within their sport. Those awards are typically provided to student-athletes during an end-of-the-season team banquet.

Varsity Letter Criteria

Earning a varsity letter at Scarborough High School

The athletic department believes that, for students at Scarborough High School, earning a varsity letter should require evidence of commitment to the team and expertise in sport. The criteria are set according to standards the coaching staff believes are high, yet reasonable. The guidelines are intended to encourage students to persevere toward the goal of earning the varsity letter rather than to discourage anyone who fails to attain the standards. These coaching considerations include the following: a clear identification of an athlete who is an important part of the success of the team, playing in a percentage of varsity games, consistent attendance, willing participation at practice – (no unexcused absences), an athlete who has faithfully committed to the team, perform satisfactorily academically (as defined by Scarborough High School), and be listed on a varsity roster.

Inclusion on Varsity Roster

An athlete must be a varsity athlete. Letters are not awarded for playing junior varsity or other sub-varsity levels. The rationale behind that requirement is that a varsity sport is time-intensive and physically demanding -- more so than sub-varsity sports. In order to make a varsity team, a high level of skill is required. Also, the varsity athlete must have superior time-management skills.

Performance and/or Play Time

Another criterion for lettering might be a predetermined amount of actual play time and/or performing at an expected level as determined by the varsity head coach. For instance, in order to earn a letter, a varsity baseball player might be required to play in 70 percent or more of the total innings on the schedule. A varsity basketball player may have played in 80 percent of the scheduled games. To earn a varsity track letter, an athlete might be expected to accumulate a predetermined number of points throughout the season, etc.

Good Academic Standing

Must consistently meet Scarborough High School's academic eligibility standards. Attaching an academic element to the lettering policy not only meets local and State guidelines but might serve to motivate athletes to perform well in the classroom in order to be eligible for participation and or letterman status.

Coach Discretion

The Varsity Head Coach always preserves the right to award a varsity letter to those players that are deemed deserving of a varsity letter. This statement is in place so that a coach has the opportunity to letter a deserving candidate who has fallen short in any category except academics. Perhaps there is an individual who is on the varsity team and has played for four years but due to a cycle of top talent has not gotten the required playing time. Perhaps he/she has a superior work ethic and top-notch leadership skills, having been a value to the team.

Behavioral Requirements

Coaches from time to time may deny an athlete a varsity letter if the athlete has a habitual discipline problem. A hardline coach might even institute a lettering policy that forbids any disciplinary referrals during the season. This can be an effective deterrent to violating school rules.

Southwestern Maine Activities Association-Awards Named in Honor or Memory of Individuals

Baseball	**Awarded to**	**Description of Individual Honored**
Edson Hadlock Award	Top Pitcher in League	Former Portland High School baseball coach; Hadlock Field in Portland also named for him
Fred Harlow Award	Player who has overcome adversity of some sort	Former Deering High School baseball coach; Harlow Field at Deering High School also named for him

Boys Basketball	**Awarded to**	**Description of Individual Honored**
Dave Allen Award	Coach of the Year	Respected area basketball official
Gary Randall Award	Outstanding Player/Sportsman	Player for Westbrook High School in the late 1960s who demonstrated utmost respect for teammates, opponents, coaches and officials; had untimely death while a student-athlete

Girls Basketball	**Awarded to**	**Description of Individual Honored**
Lisa Blais Manning Award	Outstanding Player/Sportsperson	Former player at Westbrook High School
Ron Cote Coach of the Year	SMAA Coach voted by peers	Former girls basketball coach at Biddeford and Scarborough

Field Hockey	**Awarded to**	**Description of Individual Honored**
Faith Littlefield Award	Outstanding Player	Long-time Bonny Eagle High School field hockey Coach (1966-2001) who garnered seven state championship titles

Football	**Awarded to**	**Description of Individual Honored**
Dave Allen Award	Top Player in SMAA	Long-time football official who died suddenly during The 1997 season; highly respected for professionalism and ability to control a game
Gerry Raymond Award	Best Lineman in SMAA	First and only lineman to win Fitzpatrick Trophy;
		Lewiston High School and Boston College alumnus who was drafted by National Football League
Boys Indoor Track	**Awarded to**	**Description of Individual Honored**
Edward Bogdanovich Trophy	Champion of Sr. 45 Hurdles	Outstanding Portland High School athlete and coach
John Casavola Trophy	Outstanding Intermediate Division Performer at Southwestern Meet	Long-time dash record holder at Portland Expo
Corey-Harvell-Nason Trophy	Championship Team at Southwestern Meet	Named for longtime coaches at Portland (Ralph Corey), Deering (Buck Harvell), and South Portland (Spud Nason)
John F. Corcoran Trophy	Outstanding Senior Division Performer at Southwestern Meet	Former Portland High School Athletic Director
Jim Daly Trophy	Outstanding Performer in Regular Season Meets; Consistently scored or won, Performed exceptionally well in one or more events, and may have been a record setter; often give to a senior	Former Track Official

Jim Dyer Trophy	Outstanding Competitor in Regular Season Meets; shows competitive spirit, performs to best of his ability, shows dedication to track; traditionally given to a senior	Former runner and long-time official
Clayton Ellis Trophy	Champion of Open High Jump	South Portland athlete later killed in World War II
Lincoln H. Hascall Trophy	Champion of Int, 45 Hurdles	Competed and coached at South Portland High School; at one time served at meet director for SMAA
Frederick T. Jeffrey, Jr. Trophy	Champion of Open 1- Mile Run	Timer at Portland Expo beginning in the 1940s
Charles Kahill Trophy	Champion of Open 800m Run	Judge at Portland Expo meets
Henry L. “Hank” LaVallee Trophy	Champion of Open 200m Dash	Athlete at Thornton Academy and Later Baseball Coach at South Portland
Ralph A. Leavitt Trophy	Champion of Open Shot Put	Long-time Portland Coach
Robert McGlone Trophy	Champion of Sr. 40 Dash	Portland High School athlete of 1930s who was killed in World War II
Daniel J. Murphy Trophy	Champion of Open 400m Dash	Timer at Expo since 1950s

George Vinall Trophy	Top Performer in Open Division	Athletic Director at Deering High School and also
	During Southwestern Meet	league meet director from 1920s through 1940s;
		Vinall Trophy given to top player/sportsman of
		Western Maine Class A Basketball Tournament also
John J. “Jack” Wilkinson Trohpy	Champion of Open 2-Mile Run	named for him Former coach at Bonny Eagle, Cheverus, and Portland

Girls Indoor Track	**Awarded to**	**Description of Individual Honored**
Angie Abraham Award	Outstanding Senior Class Athlete	Deering High School athlete who passed away at a young age
John Casavola Award	Most Valuable-Senior Division	Long-time dash record holder at Portland Expo
Harold Harmon Award	Most Valuable-Junior Division	Long-time timer at Portland Expo
Shirley Jones Award	Most Improved- Senior Division	Long-time South Portland track coach
Softball	**Awarded to**	**Description of Individual Honored**
Peter Meagher Award	Player/Sportswoman of the Year	Former Athletic Director at Noble High School who served as SMAA softball liaison

Additionally, the SMAA provides awards for both Team All-Stars, as selected by the league coaches, and All-Academic Team Awards.

The All-Academic Awards are given to students with a 3.2 cumulative GPA or numerical for Scarborough (2020-2021 school year) of 87% unweighted through the most recent semester. The Senior Placement Office provides this information to the athletic office.