YOUNG WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP ACADEMY
Midland Independent School District
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YWLA Graduation Regalia Cord Criteria 2025-2026

Aligned to our mission, commencement attire including cords, medals, or stoles will be approved when recognized as being "prepared and ready for college or career" under one or more of the following criteria:

Graduates who have earned honors or awards through grade point calculation according to district policy and/or regulations.	
Valedictorian & Salutatorian	Medal
Honor Graduate (pg. 14 MISD Course Catalog 24-25) cumulative weighted GPA of at least 3.5.	Cord
G/T Scholar	Cord
National Honor Society (Senior Officers will also receive a medal)	Stole

Graduates who have met one or more CCMR criteria, including enlisting in a branch of the armed forces (one cord represents one or more criteria). **Graduates must have completed a college application through Apply Texas and have completed an application through FAFSA.gov (as verified through Apply Texas and/or student FAFSA SAR and meet at least one of the following):*	
Submit verification showing commitment to enlist in the Armed Forces	Stole
Meet **college ready standards on both math and reading on (TSIA, ACT, or SAT)	Cord

Graduates who have exhibited leadership, scholarship, or service through academic or leadership programs serving the mission of the campus and district as approved by the principal.	
Scholarship Recipients (as verified through the campus guidance office)	Cord
Senior Class Representative or Officer	Cord
Speech/Debate: 1. Letter in Speech/Debate, OR 2. Competed in NSDA Regional Tournament (3 years)	Cord
PLTW Biomedical/Engineering 1. 4 years (Biomedical), OR 2. 3 years (Engineering)	Cord
Students in Philanthropy:	Cord

1. Enrolled senior year	
UIL Academic: 1. Qualified for State Competition, OR 2. Competed for 4 years in high school	Cord
Choir/Orchestra: 1. Letter in Choir or Orchestra 2. Enrolled in Choir or Orchestra all four years	Cord
Robotics: 1. Qualified for State competition, OR 2. Competed for 4 years in high school	Cord
Donated Blood (verified on at least three occasions)	Cord
Interact: 1. Seniors must complete 30 volunteer hours through Interact. An event must be completed during both the fall and spring semesters of their senior year. 2. Seniors must attend at least 75% of the meetings of the Interact whole-group their senior year. Senior officers will also receive a medal.	Cord
YWPN: 1. Level One: 3.2 GPA December Senior Year a. Take 5 Advanced Courses (AP, OnRamps) b. Attend 5 CCR Events (college trips, FAFSA night, Bootcamp, Study Hall) by December senior Year c. Complete more than 30 hours community service by December senior year d. Participate in at least one school-sponsored wellness workshops or events. These can include mental health seminars, physical fitness challenges, or healthy lifestyle presentations. 2. Or Level Two: 3.5 GPA December Senior Year a. Take 7 Advanced Courses (AP, OnRamps) b. Attend 5 CCR Events (college trips, FAFSA night, Bootcamp, by December senior Year c. Complete more than 50 hours community service by December senior year d. At least 1 Leadership Role e. Participate in at least 3 school-sponsored wellness workshops or events. These can include mental health seminars, physical fitness challenges, or healthy lifestyle presentations. 3. YWPN Scholarship Awardee	Cord Cord Medal

**College and Career Readiness Criteria

TSIA2 or TSIA		SAT		ACT
>=945 on ELAR w/5+Essay or <=944 ELAR w/5+Essay & Diagnostic 5+	or	>=480 on Critical Reading **and** >=1070 Total	or	>=20 on English and 20 on Reading
or TSIA >=351 on Reading				
>=950 on Mathematics or <=949 on Mathematics & Diagnostic 6+	or	>= 530 on Math **and** >=1070 Total	or	>=22 on Math
or TSIA >=350 on Mathematics				

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