



# Awards

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## General school athletic awards

- **Numerals:** Numerals are awarded to a freshman athlete who has participated in his or her first athletic season.
- **Small bar:** A small bar is awarded to a freshman athlete who has participated in subsequent sport(s) during his or her freshman year.
- **JV pin:** A JV pin is awarded to an athlete who has participated in his or her first year as a member of a JV team for a particular sport.
- **Small bar:** A small bar is awarded to an athlete who has participated as a member of a JV team for the same sport during prior years.
- **Varsity letter:** A Varsity letter is awarded to an athlete who has met the established criteria of a particular sport for the first time. Only one actual letter is awarded to an athlete during his or her high school athletic career. Subsequent Varsity awards are represented by sport pins or large bars.
- **Varsity sport pins:** A Varsity sport pin is awarded to an athlete who has met the established criteria of a particular sport for the first time.
- **Varsity large bar:** A Varsity large bar is awarded to an athlete who has met the established criteria of a particular sport more than once.
- **Captain pin:** A captain pin is awarded to an athlete who has served as the team captain throughout the season.
- **Champions pin:** A 'champs' pin is awarded to an athlete who earns an individual championship or is a member of a state championship team in any sport.

## Varsity Letter Award Criteria

Each sport has established its own criteria for earning a Varsity letter. They are as follows:

- Baseball: Player must appear in one-third of the Varsity games that are played including tournament games.
- Basketball (boys and girls): Player must participate in 50% of the total quarters of the entire season, including tournament games. In addition, every player who is on the Varsity roster of a city or sectional championship team will earn a Varsity letter.
- Cheerleading: Cheerleaders must be listed on the Varsity roster and meet the minimum requirements established by the head coach. These requirements will vary from year to year as the activities of the squad change.
- Cross Country: Boys must run 18:30 or faster on a 5K cross country course & finish the season in good standing. Girls must run 18:00 or faster on a 4K cross country course & finish the season in good standing.
- Football: Players must participate in 50% of the regular season quarters.
- Golf (boys and girls): Player participates in 75% of the Varsity matches.
- Soccer (boys and girls): Player must be listed on the regular season Varsity roster and sectional tournament roster.
- Softball: Players must appear in one-third of the Varsity games that are played, including tournament games.
- Tennis (boys and girls): The 7 members of the Varsity roster will receive a Varsity letter.
- Swimming (boys and girls): Swimmer must earn 40 Varsity points during the meet season.
- Track and Field (boys and girls): Participants must earn a minimum of 20 Varsity points, or score individual points in a post-season meet, or achieve one of the state qualifying automatic standards in an event – while finishing the season.
- Volleyball: Player must play in one-third of the regular season matches.
- Wrestling: Participants must wrestle in 50% of the Varsity matches during the regular season or wrestle in the city and sectional meets.
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**NOTE:** Head coaches have the right to issue a Varsity letter even if the above criteria is not met (i.e. injury or any other special circumstances).

## Awards Nights

At the conclusion of each program's athletic season, each squad will conduct an awards night/gathering for the purpose of presenting athletic awards to participants. These events will be scheduled by the program's head coach and be communicated to the student-athletes and families as they are set.

Standard agenda should include: opening prayer, season overview, Trojan Pride award presentation, Senior recognition, and all other team awards.

## Achievement Awards

*(These awards are presented at Honors Night, usually held in mid-May)*

- **Athlete-of-the-Year:** One male and one female senior student-athlete are chosen as the best athletes in the school by a group comprised of the athletic director and the head coaches of all BCHS athletic programs. These athletes also serve as Bishop Chatard's nominees for the *Indianapolis Star* Male and Female City Athlete-of-the-Year.
- **Joseph P. Harmon Award:** This award is presented to one female and one male senior who have participated in a Bishop Chatard athletic program for a minimum of one season in their senior year. Outstanding qualities of the young man and woman include scholarship, character, loyalty, leadership, service and reliability. Joseph P. Harmon served Bishop Chatard as a teacher and Athletic Director for 10 years (1964-1974). Mr. Harmon provided a model of excellence for all young men and women.
- **Father Higgins Award:** This award is presented to one female and one male senior student-athlete who have reached their full potential in the classroom while achieving a minimum GPA of 3.2. These individuals are recommended by the

