

School District of Hortonville

Title: Merit Card Policy

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Policy Statement:

It is the policy of the School District of Hortonville to implement a Merit Card Program at Hortonville High School. Students earn that card (see criteria listed under Implementation) would be given complete open campus privileges. The merit card would also substitute for their hall passbook.

Rationale:

The intent of this program is to reward students who are doing what parents, administrators and the School Board have said are the most important things for students to be doing in a school setting. The program is designed to provide incentives for students to achieve at a higher level in academic areas and to promote positive behaviors that will improve the overall school environment.

Scope:

This program will be open to Seniors only during the first year (2000-2001). If administrative review of the program deems it beneficial, it may be opened to Juniors in subsequent years.

Responsibility:

This program will be the responsibility of the High School Principal.

Implementation: Implementation will be for the 2000-2001 school year.

Eligibility Standards:

1. No detentions or suspensions in the previous semester.
2. No more than two unexcused tardies per quarter in the previous semester.
3. Letters of recommendation from three staff members.
4. Written permission from parent or guardian to participate in the program.
5. No library fines or other obligations owed to the office.
6. Overall GPA of 3.6+ OR earning a GPA of 3.6+ in the previous semester. These may be adjusted by agreement of the principal, building team and district administrator to maximize the benefits for students. Adjustments may include a provision for admission to program based upon a percentage improvement in the previous semester.

Maintenance Conditions:

1. No student in the program may have any current violations of the eligibility standards. Any violation would be grounds for immediate suspension of privileges at the discretion of, and for a period of time determined by the principal.
2. No abuse of merit privileges will be tolerated. This would include, but not limited to, specific actions such as bringing lunches into school for friends, or, more general actions that interfere in any way with the general operation of the school as determined by the principal.

Associated Information: Student Handbook

President _____ Date _____

Clerk _____ Date _____