



Montana High School Association

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TO: MHPA SCHOOL CONTACTS / SUPERINTENDENTS

FROM: MARK BECKMAN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

RE: MHPA/MONTANA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD ACADEMIC ALL TEAM

The Montana Army National Guard has agreed once again to sponsor the recognition of academic achievements by our student activity participants on the team level. The MHSA has been very pleased with the opportunity for schools to be recognized for all their student activities participants' academic achievement through the NorthWestern Energy's Academic Excellence Awards. Also the Montana Coaches Association recognizes individual academic achievement through their Academic All State Program. The MTANG Academic All-Team Program recognizes teams for their academic achievement.

The Montana High School Association is proud to be partnered with the Montana Army National Guard to provide this valuable program for our 179 member schools. Major Barry Gilman of the Army National Guard said, "The Montana Army National Guard is proud to be associated with the MHSA and the Academic All Team Program. With our support and their dedication, members of high school teams will be recognized for their academic achievements. The MHSA is dedicated to making sure academics are a priority, and the Montana Army National Guard is honored to sponsor their efforts."

Also enclosed is information regarding the program, including G.P.A. Guidelines, Participant Criteria, Reporting Requirements and the Winter Activity Season Reporting Form. To participate in this program please complete the enclosed reporting form. If you have any questions please call or email Scott McDonald at the MHSA office: 442-6010 or smcdonald@mhsa.org. **There is no cost to participating schools for this program.** After the five teams with the highest grade point averages are identified at each level of competition and for each classification, the Montana Army National Guard will contact your school to offer assistance in presenting the certificate to the winning teams in the format each school would prefer, such as at games, assemblies, banquets etc.

I know that your job is a busy one but I also hope you will be able to make time to submit the reporting form for teams that are exhibiting academic excellence at your school.

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Enclosures



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ARMY NATIONAL GUARD ACADEMIC ALL TEAM AWARD

WINTER SEASON ACTIVITY TEAMS

The MHSA/Army National Guard Academic All Team Award is given to the top five (5) teams that exhibit outstanding academic achievement during the school year's second quarter of play for that activity and will be awarded to all levels of competition (varsity, junior varsity, sophomore and freshman) to each MHSA schools' classification (AA, A, B and C).

The following criteria shall be utilized by MHSA member schools to calculate their students' accumulative average for the award. This form should be used only for students who have participated in second quarter activities including Basketball, Winter Spirit, Drama, Speech/Debate, Swimming and Wrestling.

A. G.P.A. Guidelines

1. The G.P.A. shall be based on a 4.0 system using this school's year second quarter grades.
2. The G.P.A. shall follow Article II, Section (2) of the MHSA Handbook.
3. All second quarter classes which award credit and which are graded shall be included for each student's G.P.A.
4. The total team's G.P.A. must be calculated to the nearest thousandth.

B. Participants

1. Each school shall determine what team level(s) a student participated on during the second quarter of this school year. **(A student's G.P.A. could be used on one or more teams if the student participated on more than one team.)**
2. All students (not including managers or statisticians) who participated in Basketball, Winter Spirit, Drama, Speech/Debate, Swimming and Wrestling shall be used. (Average for students enrolled in Special Education shall not be included).
3. **To be considered a "team" there must be adequate numbers of eligible members to participate and/or to score as a team in an Association contest. The minimum number for a spirit "team" is two.**

C. Reporting Requirements

1. Schools determine which teams' G.P.A.'s will be submitted. Participating schools are not required to submit data on each team or for each sport.
2. "Froshmore" Teams should be reported in the Sophomore Team column.
3. Any and all submissions for each school should be submitted on one form.
4. Activities/Athletics Directors must sign the reporting form to be sent to the MHSA office.
5. The worksheets for calculating each team's G.P.A. should be kept by the school for reference purposes and should be available upon request.
6. If schools cooperatively sponsor an activity, all students that participate on the schools' co-op team are considered part of that team with the host school reporting the team members.
7. The winter application must be submitted to the MHSA office by February 29, 2012.

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Use second quarter grades for this school year. The total GPA must be calculated to the nearest thousandth.

School: _____ Class: _____

School Year: _____ Date of Report: _____

Administrator's Name & Title: _____

Administrator's Signature: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

**Please list the number of students averaged and the average cumulative GPA.*

	Freshman Team		Sophomore Team		JV Team		Varsity Team	
	# Averaged	Average GPA	# Averaged	Average GPA	# Averaged	Average GPA	# Averaged	Average GPA
Boys' Basketball								
Girls' Basketball								
Winter Spirit								
Drama								
Speech/Debate								
Boys' Swimming								
Girls' Swimming								
Wrestling								

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by February 29, 2012.**

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Worksheet for G.P.A. Calculations

This worksheet for calculating each team's G.P.A. should be kept by the school for reference purposes and should be available to MHSA upon request.

Activity: _____ **Quarter Grades Used:** (circle one) 1st 2nd 3rd 4th

Enter student's name and his/her G.P.A. in each applicable column. If a student participates on more than one squad, i.e. sophomore and JV, the G.P.A. can be included for both squads. Compute the averages at the bottom of each column.

Student's Name	Freshman Team	Sophomore Team	JV Team	Varsity Team
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Averages per Level (Squad):				