**Honor Cord Policies**

***Art Honor Cord***

***Light Green -Updated 5/14/2015***

* *Minimum of 3 Art Credits (total of 6 classes)*
* *No grade lower than a B- in any art class. 3.3 GPA or Higher in Art Classes.*
* *Classes Included: Painting, Drawing, Design, Fashion Fiber Arts, Comic Illustration, Jewelry, Pottery/Sculpture, Photography, and or 1 year of Graphic Design/visual imaging.*

***Band Honor Cord***

***Dark Green -Update 5/14/2015***

* *Active in Band for 4 years.*
* *No heavy absence record.*
* *GPA: 3.2 in Band.*
* *In “good standing” with instrumental band program.*

***Business Honor Cord***

***Royal Blue -Updated 10/9/2019***

* *Earned an overall 1.5 credits (3 classes) earned in business classes*
* **GPA: 3.3 (IN BUSINESS CLASSES AT LCN)**
* **No grade lower than a B- in any business class**
* **May not have any disciplinary write-ups in business classes (Behavior is a requirement for a business honor cord.)**
* *The following will not count as part of the 1.5 credits:* 
  + *Co Op or WBL*
  + *Early College*
  + *Online Classes*
  + *Pankow Classes*
  + *Dual Enrollment Classes*
* *Students must make a formal application for their honor cords and include transcripts with classes highlighted*
* *Each applicant’s transcript, behavior, and attendance will be reviewed by the business department. Final approval is at the discretion of the business department staff.*

***Community Service Honor Cord***

***Red, White & Blue -Updated 5/14/2015***

*\* Senior MUST complete 80+ hours of Community Service.*

***English Honor Cord***

***White -Updated 5/14/2015***

* *Minimum 4 Credits in English (8 English Classes). Classes do not have to be over a four year time span.*
* *3.5 GPA in English classes through 1st semester of your senior* *year.*
* *Ineligible if you earned a No Credit or a C in one or more of the 8 classes with the exception of S2 2020.*
* ***All English classes will count, but the 7th class must be completed by the end of the first semester senior year. Students must be enrolled in the 8th class the last semester of the senior year.***

***Life Management Honor Cord***

***Teal -Updated 5/7/2020***

* *GPA 3.3 in Life Management classes.*
* *No grade lower than a B+.*
* *Minimum of 3 Life Management classes from the list below:*

*Food and Nutrition*

*Gourmet Cooking*

*Independent Living*

*Child Development*

*Human Growth and Development*

***Math Honor Cord***

***Purple -Updated 3/10/2017***

* *Honor Cords will be awarded to graduating seniors who have completed high school mathematics in the following classes: Algebra 1, Geometry, Advanced Algebra, Pre-Calculus, Calculus and/or Statistics with a 3.3 or above.*
* **Only courses taught and taken freshman year and beyond will be included in the calculation of the GPA regardless of where you enter the sequence. As a result, some students will end with Pre-Calculus and others with Calculus.**
* *If a senior is currently enrolled in Pre-Calculus or Calculus, the grade earned in that class as of the selection date will be used in the computation of the 3.3 GPA.*
* *A student is not eligible for an honor cord if any classes throughout the sequence were completed on a credit/no credit basis.*
* *When calculating GPA no rounding will be done. For example, a student who has a GPA of 3.27 will not be honored.*

***Mu Alpha Theta Honor Cord***

***Purple/Gold -Updated 3/10/2017***

* *Previously or currently enrolled in Pre-Calculus or AP Calculus.*
* *Maintaining at least 3.0 GPA in all mathematics courses taken.*

*All seniors who participate in Mu Alpha Theta will be considered for an honor cord. In addition to the initial criteria, in order to receive an honor cord, students must meet the following criteria:*

* *Attend all Mu Alpha Theta meetings.*
* *Participate in “Pi Week”.*
* *Provide after school tutoring for Math Help Days.*
* *Be a member of MAT for a minimum of 2 years.  If a student drops Pre-Calculus after 1st semester, their membership in MAT is terminated.*

***National Art Honor Society Honor Cord***

***Rainbow -Updated 03/10/2017***

* *Student* ***must*** *be an Active member of National Art Honor Society in good standing.*
* *GPA of 3.3 in Art classes and be passing all other classes.*
* *Must have completed a minimum of 30 hours of community service with NAHS-sponsored events.*

***Science Honor Cord Policy***

***Burgundy -Updated 03/20/2017***

* **GPA must be 3.33 in 7.5 semesters of science classes.**
* **You must have earned credit in 4 years of science.**

*Must have taken 3.5 science credits and enrolled in the 8th semester.*

*Students who transfer in the middle of their high school career will be evaluated on an individual basis.*

* **Of the 4 years of Science, 3 of the following classes must have been taken:**

*Honors Chemistry*

*Honors Physics*

*Anatomy and Physiology*

*AP Biology*

*AP Chemistry*

*AP Physics*

*AP Environmental Science*

***Senior Honors Project Honor Cord***

***Light Blue -Updated 5/14/2015***

* *Successful completion of Senior Honors Project.*

***Social Studies Honor Cord***

*Navy Blue -Updated 3/2/2021*

* *Minimum of 4 social studies credits ( 8 classes)*
* *3 ½ (7 classes) must be completed by the end of 1st semester of your senior year.*
* *GPA of 3.3 in Social Studies. It will be calculated after 1st semester of your senior year.*
* *1 AP Class(begins with class of 2020)*
* *Listed below are eligible classes:*
* *The following classes must be taken- see Bold and Underlined Classes* 
  + ***US History - 1 Credit***
  + ***Government – ½ Credit***
  + ***Integrated Social Studies – ½ Credit***
  + ***World History – 1 Credit***
  + *Sociology – ½ Credit*
  + *Psychology – ½ Credit*
  + *Current Events – ½ Credit*
  + *AP US History – 1 Credit –* ***Can take the place of U.S. History***
  + *AP World History – 1 Credit –* ***Can take the place of World History***
  + *AP Government – 1 Credit*
  + *AP Human Geography - 1 Credit*
  + *AP Micro Economics – ½ Credit*
  + *AP Macro Economics – ½ Credit*
  + *AP Psychology – 1 Credit*

***On Line Classes or Dual Enrollment***

* *Must be confirmed by Social Studies Dept. Chair or Administration*

***Student Council Honor Cord***

***Silver -Updated 2/5/2021***

* *Student must be a senior in good standing with student council.*
* *Students must have at least 3 years of service on student council during high school.*
* *Seniors with less than 3 years of service on student council may receive an Honor Cord, if they demonstrated outstanding service.*
* *The Advisors of the Student Council will do an evaluation for the senior with less than 3 years of service.*

***Technology Education Honor Cord***

***Burnt Orange -Updated 5/14/2015***

* *GPA 3.3 in Technology courses.*
* *Student may not receive a B- or lower in any technology class.*
* *You must learn a letter grade no (CR).*
* *Completed at least three Technology classes.*
* *Shown leadership and understanding in the particular field.*
* *All transcripts will be reviewed by the Technology Department.*
* *Classes included:*

*Modular Technology*

*Drafting*

*Communications Video*

*Communications Photo*

***Vocal Music Honor Cord***

***Pink -Updated 5/14/2015***

* *GPA 3.3*
* *4 consecutive years in choir or Music Theory, transfer students or a student who has left band to join choir will be considered.*
* *If a student takes more than one choir class a year only one will be counted per year. Students MUST be in the music program from 9th-12th grades.*
* *1 full year of Music Theory may be counted as a year of choir.*

***World Language Honor Cord Policy***

***Red -Updated 5/14/2015***

* *GPA of 3.0 in World Language studied.*
* *Student must have completed 7 semesters of the same language and be enrolled or finished with 4 complete years of the same language by their senior year.*
* *If you took a high-school level Spanish class in 7th and/or 8th grade, enter it in the grid along with 9th grade class, highlighting it on the transcript.*