

# Highland Park High School Cornerstone Scholar Athlete Program 2025 – 2026

The purpose of the Cornerstone Program is to recognize Junior and Senior student athletes currently involved in **HPISD athletic teams**, cheerleading, drill team, and athletic training as well as HP club sports that are officially recognized by the NCAA. This award will recognize athletes who exhibit excellent performance in all that they do. All students involved in eligible activities can receive this honor as juniors, seniors, or in both years, if they apply and meet the criteria.

Applications will be evaluated and points awarded in the following areas:

1. **Cumulative grade point average** through the 1<sup>st</sup> semester of the current school year. Minimum GPA is 2.5. **Must attach unofficial transcript and on the transcript highlight the GPA.**
2. **Total number of high school Honors, AP, and TAG classes** taken during high school career through the first semester of the current school year. **Must attach unofficial transcript and on the transcript highlight the Honors, AP and TAG classes.**
3. **Total number of extra-curricular HPHS sponsored activities** (not including sports) participated in during high school career through the current school year. The student must be in good standing with the organization and have been a member for at least one full semester.

To qualify for the award, students must score 16 of 21 possible points (75%).

**If an athlete does not meet all the requirements above, he/she will not receive the award.**

It is the desire of the Athletic Department and HPISD to give every Junior and Senior involved in **HPISD athletic teams**, cheerleading, drill team, and athletic training as well as HP club sports that are officially recognized by the NCAA the opportunity to apply for this award if they so desire. Please complete and submit the application (the athlete must be signed into their HPISD Google account) no later than **4:00 p.m., Monday, March 2, 2026. NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

**ONLINE FORMS will be available on February 9, 2026 @ [www.scotsillustrated.com](http://www.scotsillustrated.com).**

Go Scots!

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**2025-26 Cornerstone Scholar Athlete Program  
Scoring Sheet**

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<b>GRADE POINT AVERAGE</b>	2.50 - 2.75 5 points	3.00- 3.25 7 points	3.50-3.75 9 points	4.00 + 11 points	
	2.76-2.99 6 points	3.26- 3.49 8 points	3.76-3.99 10 points		
<b>HONORS &amp; AP CLASSES</b>	1 -3 2 points	4-5 3 points	6-7 4 points	8+ 5 points	
<b>EXTRA- CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES</b>	1 2 points	2-3 3 points	4-5 4 points	6+ 5 points	
				Total Points	

**All eligible student athletes will receive the Cornerstone Scholar Athlete Award if their total score is 16 points or more, 75% of 21 possible points.**