



DCSAA All- State Academic Team Award

The District of Columbia State Athletic Association (DCSAA) is committed to recognizing the academic achievements of our student-athletes. Our partner United Bank provides up to \$15,000 in scholarships for student-athletes that display good sportsmanship, excel in the classroom and as leaders in their communities. As students first and athletes second, the DCSAA takes pride in celebrating academic accomplishments as well as athletic endeavors. Each year the DCSAA recognizes and rewards honor roll student-athletes, those who achieve at least a 3.0 GPA, for their individual accomplishment. As important as individual awards are, we recognize that sports inherently focus on the team and the collaborative effort of students and coaches. As is such, the DCSAA will now present an *All-State Academic Team Award* as well. The All-State Academic Team Award will be given to one team per season that exhibits outstanding academic achievement during the school year's first quarter of play for that sport. This award, bestowed in the form of a banner, is intended to promote a shared sense of academic drive and foster an environment of mutual accountability in the classroom. The parameters of the award are as follows:

A. GPA Guidelines

1. The GPA shall be based on a 4.0 system using the school year's first quarter of play for that sport. (i.e. – fall sports = 1st quarter; winter sports = 2nd quarter; spring sports = 3rd quarter)
2. The qualifying GPA is 3.3 or above to be considered for this award.
3. All classes which award credit and which are graded shall be included for each student's GPA for the school year's first quarter of play for that sport.
4. The total team GPA must be calculated to the nearest thousandth. (i.e. – 3.355 GPA)

B. Participants

1. All students (not including managers or statisticians) who participated in Baseball, Basketball, Cheerleading, Chess, Cross Country, Football, Soccer, Softball, Tennis, Track and Field, Volleyball, and Ultimate Frisbee **and earned a varsity letter** shall be used. (Average for students enrolled in Special Education shall not be included).



2. 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. Minimum team numbers are as followed:
 - a. Baseball – 12 players
 - b. Basketball – 10 players
 - c. Cheerleading – 5 players
 - d. Chess – 5 players
 - e. Cross Country – 5 players
 - f. Football – 12 players
 - g. Soccer – 12 players
 - h. Softball – 10 players
 - i. Tennis – 6 players
 - j. Track and Field – 5 players
 - k. Volleyball – 7 players
 - l. Ultimate Frisbee – 8 players

C. Reporting Requirements

1. Schools determine which member sport teams’ GPA’s will be submitted. Participating schools are not required to submit data on each team or for each sport.
2. Any and all submissions for each school should be submitted on one form.
3. Activities/Athletics Directors must sign the reporting form to be sent to the DCSAA office.
4. The worksheets for calculating each team’s GPA should be kept by the school for reference purposes and should be available upon request.
5. If schools cooperatively sponsor a sport, all students that participate on the school’s co-op team are considered part of that team with the host school reporting the team members.
6. Application deadlines are below.

Deadlines:

Fall Sports – November 15

Winter Sports – February 07

Spring Sports – April 24

Failure to follow the above guidelines will automatically disqualify a team.



Submission: Submission must be completed via All-State Academic Award Excel Sheet and uploaded via the DCSAAsports.org website. On the Academic Recognition page you will find a link to submit your nomination(s) for the All-State Academic Team.

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