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## The King's School Linbro Park Awards Policy

### A. INTRODUCTION

This awards policy is the framework for all formal recognition given to pupils at The King's School Linbro Park. In order to be nominated to receive an award, a learner must meet all general and specific requirements. The awards committee will consist of the Principal, Head of Student Affairs, Coordinator of Extramural Activities and the senior coach/organiser of the relevant activity. The Awards committee will specify all special requirements for the awarding of a Certificate of Merit, Half Colours, Full Colours and the Eagle Award in each activity. There must be general agreement and consistency regarding the requirements among each of the activities. The King's School Linbro Park maintains the right to withdraw any award in a case where a learner has not maintained the standards required for the award to the Awards Committee's satisfaction.

**CATEGORIES:** Colours and awards are presented in the following areas:

- Academic Achievement
- Cultural Activities
- Sporting Activities
- Leadership
- Character and Service

**LEVELS OF AWARD:** The levels of awards given by The King's School Linbro Park are...

*Certificate of Merit* may be presented in recognition of achievement in a particular area or activity.

*Half Colours* may be presented at the discretion of the Committee in recognition of excellent achievement in a given activity. Scroll: blue with white writing.

*Full Colours* may be presented at the discretion of the Committee in recognition of outstanding achievement in a given activity. Scroll: white with blue writing.

*Eagle Award* may be presented at the discretion of the Committee in recognition of consistent outstanding achievement in a given activity over three or more years. Pin: gold with eagle on coloured background – blue for academics, yellow for sport and cultural, green for leadership.

**NOMINATION AND SELECTION PROCEDURE:** The procedure for submitting award nominations and selecting award recipients is as follows:

- Names, details and motivation for each nominee must be submitted before the meeting of the Awards Committee. The coach / teacher must check the pupil's credentials and any necessary records of the pupil's performances throughout the season. The details required for each nominee are as follows:
  - Full name and grade of learner.
  - Activity in question.
  - Motivation - the section in the Awards Policy that qualifies the nominee for the award.
  - Other relevant information concerning the learner.
- The Awards Committee will discuss and verify the awards during the meeting.
- A copy of the list of award recipients must be kept on record.
- Awards will be presented during an assembly or on The King's School Linbro Park Excellence Evening.

## **B. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:**

General requirements for eligibility for awards are as follows:

- The learner must be a registered pupil of The King's School Linbro Park and must have attended the school for at least one term.
- A recipient of an award from The King's School Linbro Park must be considered to be a good ambassador for the school. All qualifications are subject to the Awards Committee's conviction that the recipient has upheld the expected standards of sportsmanship, commitment, dress code etc. and has adhered to The King's School Linbro Park Code of Conduct. Recognition and awards may be withheld from any pupil not adhering to the Code of Conduct of the School.
- Awards will not be made in 'outside of school' activities unless the pupil is participating in the name of The King's School Linbro Park at all times. Awards in this category will be left to the Awards Committee's discretion.

## **C. SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS FOR EACH AREA**

### **1. ACADEMIC AWARDS**

Categories Of Award Recognition

#### *1) KSLP Top 10*

Awarded after the first, second and end-of-year reports (end-of-year awards will be announced at the beginning of the next academic year)

For the top 10 academic performers from the previous report period in the Senior High Phase, Junior High Phase, and Intermediate Phase.

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#### *2) Certificates of Merit:*

*Certificates of Merit* are given to learners placing 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup>, or achieving 80% or above in any of the Academic Olympiads during the year.

Individual Award Certificates are presented to each learner from preschool through grade 3. These awards are designed to recognise and encourage learners' individual strengths.

Highest Academic Achievement Certificates are presented to the learner in each of grades 4 – 12 with the top aggregate percentage for the year.

Diligence Award Certificates are presented to the learner in each of grades 4 – 12 who has shown the greatest degree of application and perseverance in their academic pursuits.

Educators' Award Certificates are presented to the learner in each of grades 4 – 12 who has improved the most academically from the beginning of the year.

Subject Award Certificates are presented to learners in grades 4 – 12 who have achieved an aggregate of 80% or more in a given subject. Subjects for which subject awards will be given include Mathematics, English, Afrikaans, isiZulu, Natural Science, Social Science, Computer Studies, Life Orientation, Economic Management Science and Technology.

3) *Half Colours*

Awards based upon the end-of-year marks (For Grade 12, through the end of prelims)  
Grades 7-12 75% or above aggregate overall  
Or placing 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup>, or achieving 80% or above in two or more Academic Olympiads

4) *Full Colours*

Awards based upon the end-of-year marks (For Grade 12, through the end of prelims)  
Grades 7-12 80% or above aggregate overall  
Or three years of 75% or above aggregate overall

5) *Eagle Award*

Awards based upon the end-of-year marks (For Grade 12, through the end of prelims)  
Three years of 80% or above aggregate overall

## 2. SPORTS AWARDS

1) *Certificate of Merit and Trophies:*

Certificates of Merit are presented to recognise learners who have represented the school in inter-school competitions and have actively and consistently participated in practices and matches, have displayed sportsmanship on and off the field, and/or have showed dramatic improvement during the season.

Junior and Senior Sportsman and Sportswoman of the Year Trophies are presented to the students who have excelled across a broad spectrum of sporting activities throughout the year. All sporting achievements and involvement from school level through to Regional and National level are scored on a point system. The points are then totalled at the end of the year to determine the top sportsman and woman in the primary and high school divisions. The learners [JUNIOR SPORTSMAN/WOMAN: Under 13 or younger; SENIOR SPORTSMAN/WOMAN: Under 14 or older] with the most points wins the award. Points are awarded as follows:

- G7 representation – 10
- SACSSA representation – 20
- Gold Medal – 10 \*
- Silver Medal – 7\*
- Bronze Medal – 5\*
- Gauteng Selection/Other Provincial/National Selection – 20
- \* - Particularly relevant to Athletics and Swimming.

*Individual Sports Trophies* are presented to students who excelled in the various sporting disciplines during the year. Trophies awarded include Athletics, Cricket: Batsman of the Year, Cricket: Bowler of the Year, Cricket: Captain's Trophy, Netball, Soccer, Swimming, and Tennis.

The *Swimming Award* is awarded to a High School Swimmer who has:

- Been a regular and enthusiastic participant in training sessions
- Represented his or her house with distinction at the annual Interhouse Swimming Gala
- Represented KSLP at the G7 and SACSSA Swimming Galas
- The number of medals won and the colour of the medals must be taken into account.
- Points earned for swimming in the totals used for Sportsman/woman of the year must be considered
- Other achievement e.g. Gauteng representation, Midmar Mile must be considered.

The *Netball Award* is awarded to a High School Learner who has:

- Represented the school at Open Team level [1<sup>st</sup> Team] in 80% or more of the season's games.
- A regular and enthusiastic participant at training.
- Represented KSLP at all the G7 and SACSSA events of the season.
- Recognition must be given to:
  - Player of the match awards
  - Team Spirit contribution
  - Captaincy
  - External achievement in Netball.
- Points earned for Netball in the totals used for Sportsman/woman of the year must be considered

The *Soccer Award* is awarded to a High School Learner who has:

- Represented the school at Open Team level [1<sup>st</sup> Team] in 80% or more of the season's games.
- A regular and enthusiastic participant at training.
- Represented KSLP at all the G7 and SACSSA events of the season.
- Recognition must be given to:
  - Player of the match awards
  - Team Spirit contribution
  - Captaincy
  - External achievement in Soccer.
- Points earned for soccer in the totals used for Sportsman/woman of the year must be considered

The *Athletics Award* is awarded to a High School Athlete who has:

- Been a regular and enthusiastic participant in training sessions
- Represented his or her house with distinction at the annual Interhouse Athletics
- Represented KSLP at the G7 and SACSSA Athletics meetings
- The number of medals won and the colour of the medals must be taken into account.
- Points earned for Athletics in the totals used for Sportsman/woman of the year must be considered
- Other achievement e.g. Gauteng representation, PCE representation
- ABSA points earned at SACSSA and PCE events are a key determining factor [Minimum 800 points or closest to 800 points]

The *Tennis Award* is awarded to a High School Tennis Player who has:

- Been a regular and enthusiastic participant in training sessions
- Represented KSLP at the G7 and SACSSA Tennis meetings
- Points earned for Tennis in the totals used for Sportsman/woman of the year must be considered
- Other achievement e.g. District, Gauteng representation

The *Batsman of the Year Award* is awarded to an Open Team Cricketer who has:

- Been a regular and enthusiastic participant in training sessions
- Represented KSLP Open Team in 80% of School Fixtures
- The batsman's batting average [determined by adding all his scores together and dividing by the number of times he was out] is the key determining factor.
- The consistency of his performance during the year must be taken into account – he therefore might not have the highest average in the school
- Other achievement e.g. Area, Gauteng representation

The *Bowler of the Year Award* is awarded to an Open Team Cricketer who has:

- Been a regular and enthusiastic participant in training sessions
- Represented KSLP Open Team in 80% of School Fixtures
- The bowler's number of wickets taken is the key determining factor.
- The number of runs given away per wicket taken must be taken into account.
- Other achievement e.g. Area, Gauteng representation

The *Cricket Captain's Trophy* is awarded to the Open Team member in recognition of his performance in the team over the season.

## 2) *Half Colours*

The criteria for Half Colours are as follows:

- Represented the school at U15/ open level in 80% or more fixtures throughout the season.
- Qualified and represented the school and/or region at SACSSA, or other sporting body's, national championships.
- Represented the school with a positive attitude and kept to the rules and foundation principals of both the school and the sport.

## 3) *Full Colours*

The criteria for Full Colours are as follows:

- Represented the school at first team/ open level in 80% or more fixtures throughout the season.
- Participation in SACSSA, or other sporting body's, national championships and achievement in that event, i.e. 1<sup>st</sup> place medal. For Athletics, the athlete must have competed at PCE level.
- Represented the school with a positive attitude and kept to the rules and foundation principals of both the school and the sport.
- Recognition must be given to external representation e.g. Southern Gauteng Team etc.

## 4) *Eagle Award*

This award is given to those learners who have received Full Colours for three or more years in a given sport and have consistently displayed sportsmanship on and off the field.

### 3. CULTURAL AWARDS

1) *Certificate of Merit and Trophies*

Certificates of Merit are presented to those learners represented the school in public performances and/or inter-school competitions and who participated actively and consistently in all activity-related events/practices/rehearsals, displayed enthusiasm and commitment during all activity-related events/practices/rehearsals, and/or showed dramatic improvement during the course of their involvement in the activity.

Individual Cultural Trophies are presented to students who excelled in the various cultural disciplines during the year. Trophies awarded include Chess, Junior and Senior Best Actor and Actress, Junior and Senior Most Promising Actor and Actress

The *Chess Award* is awarded to a High School Learner who has:

- Represented the school in 80% or more competitions.
- A regular and enthusiastic participant at Extra-mural Chess.
- Represented KSLP at all the G7 and SACSSA events of the season.
- Recognition must be given to external achievement in Chess.

*Junior and Senior Best Actor and Actress Awards* are presented to those learners who have displayed the most talent and dedication in playing a major role in one or more of the school's drama productions.

*Junior and Senior Most Promising Actor and Actress Awards* are presented to those learners who have displayed the most potential during their involvement in one or more of the school's drama productions.

2) *Half Colours*

Qualified and represented the school and/or region at a national championship event. Displayed enthusiasm and commitment during all activity-related events, practices and/or rehearsals.

3) *Full Colours*

Placed first at a national championship event while representing the school and/or region. Displayed enthusiasm and commitment during all activity-related events, practices and/or rehearsals.

4) *Eagle Award*

Placed first at a national championship event while representing the school and/or region for three or more years in a given activity. Consistently displayed enthusiasm and commitment during all activity-related events, practices and/or rehearsals.

### 4. LEADERSHIP AWARDS

1) The Senior Leadership Award is presented to the learner who most actively and consistently displays godly characteristics in a variety of leadership roles and responsibilities in the school. Trophy.

2) Daniel Certificates are presented to those learners who are recognised by the school staff and their peers as actively and consistently displaying one or more of the following Daniel characteristics: Passion for God, Positive Role Model, Courage, Service Above Self, Integrity.

3) Daniel Awards are presented to those learners who are recognised by the school staff and their peers as actively and consistently displaying all five Daniel characteristics. Scroll: green with white writing.

- 4) The *Eagle Leadership Award* is presented to learners who have received Daniel Awards for four or more years.

## 5. CHARACTER AND SERVICE AWARDS

- 1) The *Mark 16:15 Award* is presented to the learner who most actively and consistently seeks to fulfil the commission given by Jesus to His disciples to “Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation.” Trophy.
- 2) The *Junior and Senior Christian Character Awards* are presented to the learners from the junior and senior schools who most actively and consistently display the character of Christ in their approach to life both in and out of school. Trophy.
- 3) The *Junior and Senior Christian Service Awards* are presented to the learners from the junior and senior schools who most actively and consistently display servant-heartedness in their relationships with members of the school community. Trophy.
- 4) The *Honours Award* is presented by the school to the Grade 12 learner who most actively and consistently embodies the ethos of the school in his or her studies, activities and relationships. Trophy.