



STALEY HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC LETTERING

Academic preparation and subject-matter toward mastery are the primary objectives at Staley High School. The Academic Letter acknowledges and honors students who commit to community service, accept personal ownership for their educational plan, and who maintain high academic achievement. The Academic Letter will act as a symbol for outstanding educational improvement, commitment, and development for those distinguished students. It is meant to encourage and reward students who work hard and give their best effort in our school and to our community.

ACADEMIC LETTERING QUALIFICATIONS

Each candidate:

- Must be a sophomore, junior or senior.
- Must have at LEAST a 3.5 GPA average for the two qualifying semesters; with no grade lower than a B. (January 2016-December 2016)
- Must attend Staley High School for one full semester to be considered for an Academic Letter, if they transfer from another school.
- Must be a full-time student.
- Must complete a minimum of 10 hours of community service for each application period. (January 2016-December 2016)
- Must have a minimum of 95 percent or better attendance during each semester for which they apply.

Candidates will be considered on the basis of Service, Ownership, Achievement, and Respect. Staley High School is committed to academic excellence and understands that learning is increased with consistent attendance. Students are also expected to actively participate in community service, as well as demonstrate good citizenship on a daily basis. Any student that has served a suspension for either of the two qualifying semesters will not be eligible for the letter. Students who violate Missouri State High School Activities Association rules pertaining to alcohol/drugs, tobacco, vandalism, violation of the criminal code, hazing, racial/religious/sexual harassment or violence, will not be eligible for an award.

Sophomores will be eligible after spring semester of their freshmen year and the fall semester of their sophomore year. Juniors will be eligible after spring semester of their sophomore year and fall semester of their junior year. Seniors will be eligible after spring semester of their junior year and fall semester their senior year. For example, the award presented in May 2017, will be based upon the 2016 calendar year (spring and fall semesters of 2016).



PRESENTATION OF THE AWARD

- Successful candidates will be notified in April that they will receive an Academic Letter
- Successful candidates will be presented the academic letter during Senior Honors Night or the Staley Honors Breakfast in May.
- Academic letter honorees of more than one year will also be recognized for achievement by attaching an academic year bar to their letter for each year they qualify for the award.

First year honorees will receive a letter, a Lamp of Knowledge, and a gold bar. The second year these qualifications are met, students will receive a gold bar. The third year honorees will receive a gold bar.