

## Lettering Policy (Minimum Standards)

1. Each SBHS/SWMS athlete that wishes to earn a Varsity Letter must follow all the in season as well as out of season guidelines and requirements specified by the head coach of their respected sport of participation.
  - b. Summer Participate in a minimum of 20 workouts to achieve the Scooper level.
    - The student athlete wishing to letter the upcoming school year must document these workouts.
    - The following is a break down of the Leveling that will be used for summer workouts. (Summer Camp days will be counted as 2 total workouts)
    - These Levels will be used for an incentive based reward system for the athletes.
      - Scooper Level                      20 workouts
      - Silver Scooper Level              30 workouts
      - Gold Scooper Level                40 workouts
      - Diamond Scooper Level          50 workouts

2. Each SBHS athlete will be required to participate in a minimum number of contests/games as defined by the coach.

Each SWMS athlete will be required to participate in a minimum of 50% of all scheduled varsity contests.

3. All Dual Sport Athletes (SDHSAA sanctioned vs SDHSAA sanctioned or SDHSAA sanctioned vs Club Sports) must commit to all SDHSAA sanctioned events (practice/games/contests) before committing to any other non-sanctioned practice/game/contest.
4. Must finish entire season. In case of injury/illness, the athlete must still be present at practice and games and follow all criteria to letter.
5. A senior that has been out all 4 years for the sport will letter if all minimum summer documentation has been satisfied and the athlete has shown commitment and dedication to the program as defined by the coach.
6. Coaches always have discretion on the lettering of an individual (SBHS/SWMS) if the above criteria has not been met - this is used in "special circumstances." In the case of "special circumstances", the coach and/or athlete may bring their request for a SBHS varsity letter to the "Lettering Committee." The "Lettering Committee" will approve/deny based on the case presented by the coach and/or athlete. The committee shall be composed of the following individuals:
  - a. HS Principal or designee
  - b. HS Activities Director
  - c. Strength and Conditioning Coordinator or designee
  - d. Head Coach requesting a committee review
  - e. Head Coach in another sport (designated by the administration)

EACH SDHSAA SANCTIONED ACTIVITY CAN HAVE ADDITIONAL SBHS LETTERING REQUIREMENTS, BUT ALL REQUIREMENTS 1-5 MUST BE SATISFIED BY ALL SDHSAA SANCTIONED ACTIVITIES PRIOR TO LETTERING. THOSE INDIVIDUALS THAT DO NOT MEET ALL NECESSARY REQUIREMENTS WILL RECEIVE A "CONDITIONAL LETTER." ONCE ALL MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN MET OR THE LETTERING COMMITTEE HAS APPROVED A REQUEST FOR DISCRETION TO BE USED - THE CONDITIONAL LETTER WILL BE CHANGED TO A SBHS VARSITY LETTER.

MEADE SCHOOL DISTRICT APPROVED CLUB SPORTS WILL FOLLOW MEADE SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICY IGDK\*. "RECOGNITION WILL BE LIMITED TO STUDENTS IN GRADES 9-12. ONLY STUDENTS WHO ARE ENROLLED IN STURGIS BROWN HIGH SCHOOL WILL BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM."

\*SWMS students can earn a SBHS letter "S", but will not be given the actual letter until completion of the eighth grade. They will be given a "letter certificate" upon lettering in a specific sport (if all requirements above have been satisfied). All SBHS letters (excluding "conditional letters") can be used toward the "Honor Award White Letter."