ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS

The School District of Jefferson shall designate one/two seniors (dependent on the state enrollment guidelines) with the highest or the two highest grade point averages after seven consecutive semesters in all subjects taken for high school credit beginning freshman year, carried out to three places past the decimal point, as scholars eligible for the Academic Excellence Higher Education Scholarships.

Students must be enrolled full-time at the high school for seven consecutive semesters prior to the awarding of the scholarship. To attain senior standing a student must be in at least his/her fourth year of high school and have earned at least 18 credits. If two or more seniors have the same grade point average, the faculty of the high school, as identified by the high school principal, shall select senior(s) in order of priority. Should there be more than the designated number of seniors who are eligible, based on criteria for the scholarship, the scholar(s) shall be determined based on the following tie-breaker criteria:

1.   The student who shows intent to attend a college/university/technical school that is participating in the program shall be designated a scholar. This intent must be submitted to the Board's designee in writing.

        If a tie continues...

2.   The student with the highest composite score on the American College Test (ACT) shall be designated a scholar. If a student has taken the test more than once, the highest score shall be considered.

        If a tie continues...

3.   The student with the highest total number of credits accepted as high school credits taken while the student was in high school shall be designated a scholar.

        If a tie continues...

4.   A coin flip by the Board President or his/her designee shall be conducted.

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