



Individual House Points and House Cup

Purpose

St Joseph's College seeks to provide a holistic learning environment where students can participate and achieve in all areas of College life.

The House Cup and House Points system is designed to recognise students' individual contributions to the College community in four areas of College life – Cultural, Mission, Sport and Academic.

Accruing Individual Points

Category	Activity or Achievement	Number of Points
Cultural	Fully participating in a large ensemble or cultural group for one term (e.g. concert band, string ensemble, choir, dance troupe) or large-scale cultural event (e.g. Musical, Music Tour).	3
	Fully participating in a Junior Ensemble or cultural group for one term (e.g. Jnr Band, Jnr Choir, Jnr Strings, Debating, Opti-Minds, Mooting).	2
	Fully participating in a small ensemble or cultural group for one term (e.g. flute ensemble, percussion ensemble, Chess competition).	1
	Representing the College with integrity at, or contributing to, at a one-off cultural event outside of school hours (e.g. SHEP, Eisteddfod, Music Camp, SS Concert, Art Show, Paul Morton Choral, Joeys Day Concert, Debating Tournament,	1
Sport	Fully participating in a College sporting team for one term which includes attendance at training.	3
	Representing the College with integrity at, or contributing to, a one-off sporting event.	1
Mission	Fully participating in a mission group for one term (e.g. Liturgy Group, Interact, Just Joey's), including attendance at scheduled meetings.	3
	Representing the College with integrity at, or contributing to, a one-off mission or service event.	1
Academic	Commitment to Learning Certificate [Yr 7-10] (all Excellent and Commendable Learning Behaviours on Report Card + 95% attendance)	3
	Commitment to Learning Certificate [Unit 1, 2 and end of Unit 3] (all Excellent and Commendable Learning Behaviours on Report Card + 95% attendance)	3
	Excellent and Commendable on Learning Behaviours on a Report Card (80-95% - Attendance taken into consideration)	2
	Gold Award or High Distinction through external assessment (e.g. ICAS, HeadStart)	3
	Silver Award or Distinction through external assessment (e.g. ICAS, Headstart)	2
	Bronze Award or Credit in external assessment (e.g. ICAS, Headstart)	1
	Fully participating in an academic group for one term (e.g. Readers Cup), including attendance at scheduled meetings.	3
	Representing the College with integrity at, or contributing to, a one-off academic event (e.g. Science Olympiad, Maths Team Challenge) 1 point	1



The Star System

Students will be presented stars as they accrue points to meet the following criteria over the course of the year. All students begin each timeframe (from Term 4 Week 4 each year) with zero points.

Award	Points Requirement
Bronze Star	Ten House Points from any or all categories
Silver Star	Twenty House Points from any or all categories
Gold Star	Thirty House Points from any or all categories
Purple Star	Thirty House Points from any or all categories and A minimum of one point in each category.

The House Cup

The House Cup is awarded annually to the house that has the largest number of total points over the course of the academic year. A house accrues points over the course of the academic year through:

1. Individual points accrued by its member students, and
2. House placings in interhouse competitions including Swimming Carnival, Cross Country Carnival, Athletics Carnival and Compassion Cup.

Achievement	Points Awarded to House*
First at an Interhouse Competition	200
Second at an Interhouse Competition	150
Third at an Interhouse Competition	100
Fourth at an Interhouse Competition	50

*These points are awarded to a house in its entirety but not to individual students.

Timeframe for Accrual of Points

The yearly window for the accrual of House Points begins at the beginning of Week 4, Term 4 each year. This timeframe coincides with the conclusion of formal classes for Year Twelve students. Any points accrued by a student after this date will contribute to their tally for the following year.



Presentation of Awards

The following table provides a summary of the mode of presentation for each award.

Award	Mode of Presentation
Bronze Star	Presented to the student in their Joey's Way class by their House Leader.
Silver Star	Presented to the student at their House Assembly by their House Leader. If there are no House Assemblies remaining in that term, presented to the student in their Joey's Way class by their House Leader.
Gold Star	Presented by the Principal (or delegate) at College Assembly.
Purple Star	Presented by the Principal (or delegate) at College Annual Presentation Night.
The House Cup	Presented to winning House Captains by the Principal (or delegate) at College Annual Presentation Night.