

512B ELIGIBILITY AND SELECTION OF THE TECHNICAL EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP (TES)

A student competing for the Technical Excellence Scholarship must be in attendance at Portage High School for a minimum of 6 out of 8 semesters of their total high school career to be eligible and be in attendance two consecutive semesters during their Junior (2<sup>nd</sup> semester) and senior (first semester) year.

Senior students are eligible to compete for the scholarship their 8<sup>th</sup> semester of high school.

Students at Portage High School acquire senior status based on the number of years they attend high school. One year is a freshman, two years is a sophomore, three years is a junior and four years is a senior.

The student and alternates must:

- A. be a resident of the United States who is either a U.S. citizen or an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence;
- B. be a Wisconsin resident as defined in 36.27 Wis. Stats.;

Senior students applying for the Technical Excellence Scholarship must be attending a school within the Wisconsin Technical College System the semester following their graduation from high school.

Prior to September 1, 2017, a high school counselor will affirm that the student's post-secondary plans relate to a career in technical education. Beginning the 2017-18 school year, the student must have an academic and career plan leading to a career in technical education.

All courses taken at PHS will be included in the GPA on the official high school transcript except:

1. High School course grades taken in Middle School
2. Pass/fail course grades
3. Homeschool course grades
4. Study Abroad course grades
5. Course grades earned in another country by students with permanent resident status.

These courses will be noted on the transcript for credit only.

Reference: **GRADING SCALE INCLUDING WEIGHTED GRADES**

Point Ranking to determine scholarship winners and alternates (HEAB recommend system):

1. **One point** is given to a student for each credit earned in high school in CTE courses defined in the Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006. Courses must be taught by a CTE instructor licensed for that specific discipline.
2. **One point** is given to a student for each year of activity in a Career and Technical Student Organization in Wisconsin. For activity in multiple CTSO's, one point is to be given for each year of participation in each organization.
3. For the purpose of assigning a ranking among eligible candidates, credit hours in process at the time of nomination should be counted toward the number of credits the student has earned.
4. When students emerge from the point system with tied scores, CTE grades become the tiebreaker. Rankings to "tied" students are based on the grade point earned by eligible students in CTE courses. The grades used for this purpose are only those grades earned in CTE courses, not a student's overall grade point.

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