

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS - GENERAL

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Students in the School District of Tomahawk shall be informed annually of any available scholarships and awards.

Literature concerning available scholarships and awards shall be included in the student handbook and/or posted in the School building.

Criteria for school district awards and scholarships shall be developed consistent with school district goals and objectives. Awards and scholarships are not available to students from HBPEP or students who have been admitted under open enrollment who have not attended the School District of Tomahawk full time for a minimum of four full semesters, one of which must be the final or eighth semester.

By February 15, of each year, the school board shall (providing the high school enrollment is 500 or above but less than 1,000) designate the two senior students with the two highest grade point averages in all subjects as scholars who would be eligible for a State of Wisconsin Academic Excellence Scholarship. If two or more seniors have the same grade point average and, except for the limitations on the number of designated scholars determined by the State of Wisconsin, are otherwise eligible for designation as an Academic Excellence Scholar, the Scholarship Committee of the High School shall select the applicable number of seniors for designation as scholars and shall, certify, in order of priority, any remaining seniors as alternates for a scholar with the same grade point averages. The Scholarship Committee shall use for its selection criteria the following:

1. Grade point average
2. Standardized Test Scores
3. A. C. T. Scores
4. Extra Curricular Activities
5. Community Service
6. Coin flip as a last

The School District of Tomahawk by the award of any scholarship through the School District to any student eligible in the School District also reserves the right to rescind the award of that scholarship. Should a student who is awarded a scholarship be charged with a criminal offense between the time of the award of the scholarship and actual graduation, the award of the scholarship shall be placed in abeyance until such time as the outcome of the criminal matter is determined. Should the student be found guilty or be convicted of a criminal offense for an act that occurred while a student of the Tomahawk School District, the scholarship shall be rescinded and awarded to the next applicant. Any student recipient of a scholarship who is charged with a criminal offense may have the right to request a hearing before the Board of Education of the Tomahawk School District to request that the scholarship be awarded and to offer such evidence as

may be necessary to prove to the Board that the student was not involved in the criminal behavior with which the student has been charged. It should be noted that in the award of scholarships the conduct of the student within the school, in co-curricular activities and in the community is an important consideration for the award of any scholarship

The School District of Tomahawk shall not discriminate in acceptance and administration of gifts, bequests, scholarships and other aids, benefits or services to students from private agencies, organizations or persons on the basis of sex, race, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability.

Discrimination complaints shall be processed in accordance with established procedures.

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