

BLOCK Y GUIDELINES, DETAILS, AND REQUIRED SIGNATURES

The Block "Y" Award is an award that recognizes students involved in all areas of the school. The Block "Y" can be earned by all fourth, fifth and sixth grade students and is available one time per year. The criteria for this award reflects well-rounded participation and service, as well as achievement. Block "Y" recipients will be honored at our Block "Y" award ceremony at the end of the school year. In keeping with the spirit of the Clovis Unified School District philosophy to be the best you can be, the areas and activities in which students can earn points have been grouped into these three domains: Mind, Body and Spirit.

- Mind: Activities in this domain have to do with intellectual and artistic development.
- Body: Activities and requirements in this domain have to do with physical fitness and athletics.
- Spirit: The activities grouped in this domain have to do with character development. They are designed to provide opportunities for the development of such character attributes as caring for and service to others, active citizenship, cooperativeness, responsibility and dedication.

In order to receive this award, a student need not be the "star" of his or her activity, but he/she must be an active and enthusiastic participant in the activities of the school, engaged in the pursuit of excellence, and have met certain standards of achievement and performance. Individuals earning this prestigious award will receive a Block "Y" engraved plaque. Thereafter, a student will receive a medallion to be added to their plaque upon meeting the Block "Y" requirements once again. If a student has a plaque from another school already, they may choose to ad a Young medallion to their existing plaque or accept a brand-new Young plaque.

It is not necessary for a student to participate in every activity to achieve this award. There are numerous ways a student may receive the Block "Y" award. It is suggested that students, along with their parents and teacher, discuss/plan for this award at the beginning of each year. This helps eliminate students over-extending themselves, while encouraging others to participate. In the sections that follow, specific details and requirements governing the earning of points in each category are discussed.

In order to receive points for each category, students must follow through on all commitments for each activity, and signatures must be provided to verify participation/completion for the indicated activities below. All on-site signatures will be gathered during our annual "Block Y Signing Day." Any off-campus signatures must be gathered prior to the due date for Block Y Forms. Students need to earn *at least the minimum points* indicated for each category to qualify for the award.

It is our hope that all students will actively pursue this award, making it a part of their planning for their total school experience. Whether or not the student actually receives this award, striving for it will hopefully enrich and enhance his or her educational foundation.

MIND	DETAILS	SIGNATURE REQUIRED
Principal's Honor Roll	Students who earn a 4.00 GPA receive <u>2 points per quarter.</u>	Verified by front office when preparing Block Y awards.
High Honor Roll	Students who earn a 3.50-3.99 GPA receive <u>1 point per quarter.</u>	Verified by front office when preparing Block Y awards.
Honor Roll	Students who earn a 3.00-3.49 GPA receive <u>1 point per quarter.</u>	Verified by front office when preparing Block Y awards.
Oral Interpretation	Oral Interpretation is an organized activity where students perform a choral reading of a literature selection. Students in grades 4-6 may try-out for the Oral Interpretation Team. Students who make the team, participate, and follow the "Co-Curricular Code of Excellence" will earn <u>1 point per year.</u>	<hr/> *Oral Interpretation Advisor's Signature
Spelling Bee Y.E.S. Finalist	Students in grades 4-6 are invited to participate in the written spelling bee to qualify for the Young Elementary School-wide On-stage Spelling Bee. Those who qualify for the Y.E.S. Spelling Bee will earn <u>1 point per year.</u>	<hr/> *Spelling Bee Advisor's Signature
CUSD Essay/Art Contest	Participation in any (or all) of the essay/art contests throughout the year will earn the student <u>1 point per semester.</u> Participation means submitting a completed essay/project, meeting all of the requirements set forth in the contest guidelines.	*Teacher's/Advisor's Signature – 1 per semester <hr/> <hr/>
Science Fair	Students that participate and enter a completed science fair project in the school or county Science Fair will earn <u>1 point per year.</u>	<hr/> *Teacher's/Advisor's Signature
School-Sponsored Academic Club/Activities	*Includes any of the <i>offered</i> clubs/activities; <u>1 point per completed club/activity can be earned</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Robotics <input type="checkbox"/> Destination Imagination <input type="checkbox"/> Chess Club <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	*Teacher's/Advisor's Signature – 1 per club/activity <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
Bonus Point	* <u>Only 1 point per year can be earned in this category and used toward the Total Mind Points</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Award from CUSD Essay/Art Contest <input type="checkbox"/> Science Fair Top 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Regional or State Qualifier in School-Sponsored Academic Club/Activities <input type="checkbox"/> Off-Campus Music Class/Lessons <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<hr/> *Teacher's/Advisor's Signature *For any off-campus activities, please complete the attached <i>Off-Campus Bonus Point Verification Form.</i>

BODY	DETAILS	SIGNATURE REQUIRED
School Sports	Participation on a school sports team for the full season in accordance with the "Code of Excellence" will earn a student <u>1 point per season</u> . Students who enroll at Young Elementary after the season has begun may receive a participation point if they participate for at least 50 percent of the season.	*Coach's Signature – 1 per season _____ _____ _____
Dance Club	Young Elementary School offers Dance Clubs throughout the year that are designed teach students different dance styles from different cultural backgrounds. There are not tryouts for these clubs and no dance experience is needed, only a student's commitment to learn and parent/guardian permission. Participation in the dance club requires attendance at the practices and dance performance in accordance with the "Code of Excellence." Students will earn <u>1 point per club</u> .	*Advisor's Signature – 1 per club _____ _____
Spirit, Pep, & Cheer	Spirit, Pep, & Cheer is open to students in grades 4-6 and participants are selected based on tryouts. Participation on a team for the full season in accordance with the "Code of Excellence" will earn a student <u>1 point per semester</u> .	*Coach's Signature – 1 per semester _____ _____
PFT <i>Healthy Fitness Zone</i>	PFT stands for Physical Fitness Testing. The <i>Healthy Fitness Zone</i> is based on state criteria for males/females based on age and will be published at scheduled test times. Students who place in the Healthy Fitness Zone in all five areas on the spring assessment will earn <u>1 point per year</u> .	_____ *Teacher's Signature
PFT <i>Presidential Award</i>	PFT stands for Physical Fitness Testing. Grade level <i>Presidential Awards</i> are based on district criteria determined and announced at scheduled test times. Students who place in the Presidential Award range on the spring assessment will earn <u>1 point per year</u> .	_____ *Teacher's Signature
Bonus Point	We recognize that many students participate in athletic programs sponsored by various community organizations (e.g., soccer clubs, baseball programs, gymnastics classes/teams, etc.). Participation in a community-sponsored activity means signing-up, participating in all scheduled practices, games/meets, etc. Students must participate in the same number of hours (four hours) per week as the school sports teams in order to receive points. The sport must also have some competition event. Points will <u>not</u> be given on a sliding scale for participation of less than four hours a week.	*For any off-campus activities, please complete the attached <i>Off-Campus Bonus Point Verification Form</i> .

In order to obtain these points the student MUST submit to his/her teacher a school form filled out and signed by the sponsor or leader of the non-school sport, activity, or class. This form will verify the student's involvement in the sport, activity, or class and certify that the student's participation meets the requirement for this bonus point.

**Only 1 point per activity can be earned in this category and used toward the Total Body Points*

- Off-Campus Sports Team
- Off-Campus Dance/Gymnastics Class/Team
- Other: _____

SPIRIT	DETAILS	SIGNATURE REQUIRED
Student Council Position	<p>A student will receive <u>1 point for being elected to a student body office and serving for the full term</u>. Semester 2 officers must successfully serve the entire Block Y period.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-OR-</p> <p>A student will receive <u>1 point for serving as a classroom representative to the Student Council for the full semester</u>.</p>	Verified by front office when preparing Block Y awards.
Run for Student Council	A student will receive 1 point for RUNNING for a student body office, even if not elected.	Verified by front office when preparing Block Y awards.
Junior Flight Crew	The Junior Flight Crew is a group of students in grades 4-6 who have been recommended by their classroom teacher. Students on this council work to promote cultural diversity for all students at Young Elementary School, as well as in the Clovis East Area. Meetings are held bi-weekly at Young, and participation on this council will earn students <u>1 point per year</u> .	Verified by front office when preparing Block Y awards.
Care Chip Award	The Care Chip will be awarded to students who demonstrate through their words and actions that other people matter. Each month, there will be three students from each upper grade class who will be granted the Care Chip. The Care Chip is represented by a two-sided coin, and students selected for this award by their classroom teacher will earn <u>1 point per year</u> .	Verified by front office when preparing Block Y awards.
Aviator Badge	Each quarter, teachers will nominate three students from each upper grade class to earn their Aviator Badge during our quarterly awards ceremony. These are students who have demonstrated exemplary behavior, effort to reach personal goals, and/or a growth mindset. Students who earn their Aviator Badge also earn <u>1 point per year</u> .	<hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">*Teacher's Signature</p>
Drama	Drama is available for all students in grades 4-6. Students may receive credit by actively participating in all practices and attendance at Young's annual Drama Production. Equal credit of <u>1 point per production</u> is given to students who are drama chorus members, actors/actresses, or stage crew in the production. Young's Drama Production takes place in the spring of each school year, or as selected by the director. Your child's classroom teacher will advise students on the Drama schedule in early spring.	<hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">*Drama Director's Signature</p>

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School-Sponsored Service Club/Activities	<p>Includes any of the <i>offered</i> clubs/activities: <u>1 point per completed club/activity can be earned</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Pilot Buddies <input type="checkbox"/> Cafeteria Server <input type="checkbox"/> 1 point for attending all 4 Multicultural Family Nights (9/26, 1/17, <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ 	<p>*Signature from each Club/Activity Advisor/Coach</p> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
Bonus Point	<p>Students may earn 1 bonus point for participation in an activity, class, or organization not sponsored by the school. Activities such as scouting, community sponsored clubs, instructional classes in fine arts or other genuine community sponsored activities promoting the involvement of children in worthwhile learning activities qualify under this category.</p> <p>In order to obtain these points the student MUST submit to his/her teacher a school form filled out and signed by the sponsor or leader of the non-school sport, activity, or class. This form will verify the student's involvement in the sport, activity, or class and certify that the student's participation meets the requirement for this bonus point.</p> <p><u>*Only 1 point per year can be earned in this category and used toward the Total Spirit Points:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Scouts <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Group <input type="checkbox"/> Community Service <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ 	<p>*For any off-campus activities, please complete the attached <i>Off-Campus Bonus Point Verification Form.</i></p>



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Sponsor or Leader of Off-Campus Activity - Please complete the following section:

First and Last Name: _____

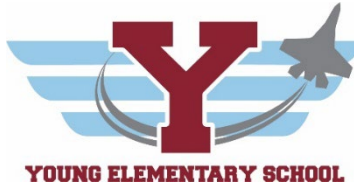
Name of Group/Organization: _____

Phone Number: _____ / Email Address: _____

Description of Activity:

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