



# Mickey Cox

2023-2024

Criteria for Earning

**BLOCK MC and ALL-STAR AWARD**

**“Work Hard, Play Fair, and Take Care of Each Other!”**



The Block MC and All-Star awards are two of the most prestigious awards a student may earn at Mickey Cox. These two levels recognize those students who have set goals for themselves. These awards are available to fourth, fifth and sixth grade students and are awarded at the end of each semester.

The purpose of these awards are to recognize those well-rounded individuals who exemplify the qualities that Mickey Cox hopes to foster in all of its students, namely: **(1) the desire for self-improvement; (2) dedication and commitment in reaching for goals; (3) concern for and service to others; and (4) the willingness to be a positive role model to others.**

We appreciate the input and participation as we work to make the concept of this award meaningful to students and an important thread in the fabric of our educational program.

It is our hope that all students will actively pursue one of these awards, making it a part of their planning for their total school experience. Whether or not the student receives the award, **striving for it will hopefully enrich and enhance the student's educational foundation.**

**Co-curricular activities are a vital part of our total school program.** In addition to providing a variety of learning experiences for students, they are also important in building character and shaping attitudes.

**Planning and commitment are the key factors** in earning this award, not necessarily ability and talent. This handbook outlines the criteria for achieving the BLOCK “MC” AWARD. We hope that it will be useful to parents, teachers and students working together in the pursuit of this worthwhile goal.

It is the student's responsibility to have points verified by a teacher's initials on the Block MC form. Only teachers that are responsible for supervising an activity may verify student participation, e.g. vocal music may only be verified by the vocal music teacher. Forms will be turned in to the classroom teacher for validation on or before the designated due date and returned to the student at the end of each semester.

**1<sup>st</sup> Semester Due Date: Tuesday, January 16, 2024**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Semester Due Date: Monday, May 13, 2024**

## Mind

**A student MUST participate in either science fair or history day to achieve Block MC.**

### Scholarship:

Block MC 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>: Six (6) points per semester

All Star 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>: Four (4) points per semester

**Principal's Honor Roll (GPA 4.0), High Honor Roll (3.5-3.9 GPA), Honor Roll (3.0-3.4 GPA) (4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>):** Students will earn two (2) points per semester (or 1 point per quarter).

**iReady Math and ELA Lessons (4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>):** Students will earn two (2) points per semester (or 1 point per quarter) for completing one lesson per week in ELA and Math and scoring a minimum of 80% on each lesson.

**Accelerated Reader (4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>):** Students will earn two (2) points per semester (or 1 point per quarter) for meeting their grade level AR point goal with an 80% comprehension rate.

### Co-Curricular:

Block MC 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>: Five (5) points per semester

All Star 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>: Four (4) points per semester

**Choice Music: Band/Choir/Strings (5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>):** Earning an effort grade of an "O" (Outstanding) both quarters of each semester in the School Choice Music Program earns the student one (1) point per semester.

**4th Grade Music:** Any 4<sup>th</sup> grade student who achieves an effort grade of an "O" (Outstanding) will earn one (1) point per semester.

**Oral Interpretation: (4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>):** Students may earn one (1) point in this category. The Oral Interpretation Team represents our school at the District Festival. All students may try out for the Oral Interpretation Team; however only those who qualify and participate in this event will receive participation points.

**Essay/Poster Contest (4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>):** Participation in any of the essay and/or poster contests offered outside of the school will earn one (1) point per semester. *Participation in this context means submitting a completed poster or essay prepared by the student which is acceptable to the teacher for entry into competition at the school level.*

**GATE (4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>):** Students participating in GATE program may earn one (1) point per semester. Points will be earned by consistent participation and completion of all required activities designed by the GATE Coordinator.

**History Day or Science Fair (4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>):** Students participating in either History Day or Science Fair may earn one (1) point per semester. **A student MUST participate in either science fair or history day to achieve Block MC.** One (1) Block MC point can be earned per semester by having no more than 2 unexcused absences from scheduled meetings per semester and by meeting all project deadlines as set for by the Science Fair/History Day advisor.

**B.E.A.R. Club (Be Enthusiastic About Reading) (4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>):** Students in grades 4-6 may sign up for B.E.A.R. club. The students will read one book and attend a minimum of six sessions per quarter to receive one (1) point.

**Drama Production (4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>):** Students earn one (1) point for participation in the school drama production for the 1<sup>st</sup> semester.

**Chess Club (4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>):** Students participating in Chess Club may earn one (1) point per semester. Points will be earned by consistent participation in required activities designed by the Chess Club advisor.

**Media Masters (4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>):** Students may earn one (1) point per semester. Students selected for the Media Masters Club will assist with photography and videography of school events and write articles for various publications.

**C.A.F.E. Club: Children and Friends in Education (4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>):**

C.A.F.E. Club members may earn (1) point per semester for participation in three C.A.F.E. Club activities per semester. Attendance at monthly meetings does not count as an activity.

## BODY

### Fitness

#### **Semester One Criteria:**

Block MC 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>: Two (2) points

All Star 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>: One (1) point

#### **Semester Two Criteria:**

##### **4<sup>th</sup> Grade:**

Block MC: Two (2) points,

All Star One (1) point

##### **5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade:**

Block MC: Three (3) points,

All Star Two (2) points

**Sports:** Participation on a team for the full season in accordance with the, "Code of Participation will earn one (1) point. Team membership in these sports is open to all eligible students who want to participate. Students are then assigned to teams based upon their ability.

*Reminder: students must maintain a 2.0 GPA to be eligible to participate in any co-curricular activity.*

#### **Mickey Cox Sports Opportunities:**

Fall Sports: Cross Country (4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grades), Girls volleyball, and football (5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades)

Winter Sports: Wrestling (4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grades), Basketball (5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades)

Spring Sports: Track (4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grades), Softball, baseball, and Boys volleyball (5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades)

Year round: Pep, cheer and spirit

#### **Outside of school sports opportunities:**

CHS into the Blue (Color Guard)

Mickey Cox Soccer Club

**Healthy Fitness Zone:** Students achieving Healthy Fitness Zone in ALL areas of their Physical Fitness Testing will earn one (1) point in this area.

## SPIRIT

### Student Leadership/Community Service

**Block MC (4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>): Two (3) points per semester**

**All-Star (4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>): Two (2) points per semester**

**Student Council (5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>):** A student will receive one (1) point for running for an office.

**C.A.F.E. Club Officer (4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>):** Students who are elected as a C.A.F.E club officer may earn one (1) point per semester. Attendance at monthly meetings is required.

**Room/Library Helper (4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>):** A student may earn one (1) Point in this area. Students must assist for a minimum of 1 week per semester to earn the point in this category.

**Lunch Server (4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>):** Students are selected to assist the cafeteria manager in serving lunches for 1 week a semester.

**Positivity Project Activities(4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>):** Students will receive one (1) point for participating in Positivity Project activities that will be offered each month. (Must complete one for first quarter and two for second quarter)

**Human Relations Council (4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>):** Students who are nominated to represent their class on the Human Relations Council may earn one (1) point per semester.

**Community Service (4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>):** Students dedicating time outside of school to serve the needs of our community may receive one (1) point per semester for four hours of volunteering. Participation must be verified with a signature from a supervisor in the organization volunteer hours were completed.