



Student Government Honor Cord Policy Silver/Royal Blue

The purpose of this program is to create an incentive for Student Government Members to actively participate in the Student Government Association and to recognize their hard work and dedication to Student Government. Silver honor cords are given to student government and student council. This color is officially listed to award those students who will render their service through student government and student council. The meaning of silver according to English Heraldry is brightness, purity, virtue and innocence.

In order to be eligible to receive a Student Council honor cord a member must meet all requirements.

1: To receive a Student Government honor cord, a student must be in good standing with the Student Council of St. Francis Catholic High School.

2: To receive a Student Government honor cord a student must have at least two (2) years of service as a Class Officer of the Student Government of St. Francis Catholic High School.

- a. Seniors with only one (1) year of service on Student Government may receive an honor cord, if they have demonstrated outstanding service.
- b. The Advisors of Student Government will do an evaluation for the senior with one (1) year of service.

3: A Student Government member must have a minimum of twenty-five (25) Community Service hours served through Student Government projects in those two (2) years. These service hours are *in addition* to a students graduation requirement service hours.

4: Seniors who are not on Student Government their senior year, but who have served at least two (2) years during their high school career, who were in good standing and have their 25 hours of community service will also receive an honor cord.

5: A member must not have excessive unexcused absences from Student Government and Student Council meetings or school unexcused absences to be eligible to receive an honor cord. Excessive attendance issues will require a meeting with the Principal, Student Council Advisor & Class Advisor.

- a. School unexcused absences are defined in the Student/Parent Handbook, 15 unexcused absences in a period of 90 calendar days.
- b. Student Government and Student Council unexcused absences are defined as 5 unexcused absences from Student Government or Student Council meetings combined.

6: A Student Government Class Officer must maintain a 3.0 un-weighted cumulative GPA to receive a Student Government Honor Cord.

* Hours may be earned at the following:

- a. Freshman Orientation
- b. Meet the Teacher Night
- c. Open House
- d. Book Buyback
- e. Student Government Service Project
- f. FASC participation

* Hours will not be earned for planning & participation in Homecoming week, Feast of St. Francis, Red Ribbon week, Powder Puff, Teacher Appreciation week, Catholic Schools week or attendance at Student Government, Student Council meetings and District II attendance. These are part of the Elected Class Officer and Student Council responsibilities.

I have read and understand the requirements of a Student Government Officer to receive an Honor Cord. I feel that I have earned this honor through the following participation in Student Government.

As the Class _____ of my
_____ year, I attended class meetings with our class advisor
_____ and attended Student Council Meetings.

I participated in the following Student Government Community Service projects:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

As the Class _____ of my
_____ year, I attended class meetings with our class advisor
_____ and attended Student Council Meetings.

I participated in the following Student Government Community Service projects:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

_____ Date: _____

Signature