

DURBAN GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL



AWARDS POLICY

2017

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ALL AWARDS ARE MADE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE AWARDS COMMITTEE

Awards Committee:

The Committee will consist of:

- The Principal
- Senior Deputy Principal
- Deputy Principal
- Deputy Principal
- Head of Cultural Activities
- Head of Sport
- Teacher representing Sport
- Teacher representing Cultural Activity
- Secretary (record keeping)
- Staff member representing specific area under discussion, if warranted.

Presentation of Awards:

Awards to be presented on the following occasions:

- DGHS and Senior Speech Days
- Mini Prize Giving
- Ordinary assemblies at the discretion of the committee

Meetings:

Meetings are held at a time convenient to those concerned. They are called at least once a term. The records of minutes of all meetings must be available.

General Guidelines:

- a) The criteria must be observed at all times unless there is a policy change as a result of a decision taken by consensus at a full meeting.
- b) Prospective awards are to be motivated in writing by the Teacher in charge of the relevant activity to the relevant Awards Committee member. All awards will be decided at a meeting of the Awards Committee.
- c) A learner will only receive an award if she meets one of the following criteria:
 - i) the activity is offered by the school and the learner participates at school team level

DESCRIPTION OF AWARDS

Honours	Honours braid around edge of blazer, pockets and above the end of sleeves. Honours scroll under school badge on pocket.
Colours	Braid around edge of blazer, pockets and above the end of sleeves. Scroll under school badge of pocket.
Half-Colours	Braid around edge of blazer pockets and above the end of sleeves. Scroll under school badge of pocket.
Re-awards	Certificate with FULL / HALF COLOURS OR HONOURS RE-AWARD typed onto it.
Junior Colours	Certificate with JUNIOR COLOURS & name of Sport or Cultural activity typed onto it. Scroll under School Badge of pocket.
Certificates of Achievement	To be given with Sporting / Cultural Trophies. Certificate with ACHIEVEMENT AWARD & the Sport / Cultural Activity to be typed onto it.
Merit Certificate	MERIT CERTIFICATE or Academic Merit
Service Awards	Certificate given to Grade 12 learners at the final Grade 12 Speech Day for sustained contribution to various aspects of school activity, e.g. Drama; Music; Public Speaking; Sport.

NOTE:

If a learner is not able to write an examination/s with or without a valid reason:

- The learner will not be eligible for an academic award, placement award or prize where this examination/s form/s part of the award criteria.
- This does not preclude the learner from receiving a subject award – if she has completed all the assessments that form part of the subject award criteria.

If a learner is not able to complete an assessment with or without a valid reason:

- The learner will not be eligible at Mini Prize-Giving for an academic award, placement award or prize where this assessment/s form/s part of the award criteria.

SUMMARY: ACADEMIC AWARDS

FET PHASE - Based on 7 NSC subjects

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>MERIT CERTIFICATE</u>	<u>HALF- COLOURS CERTIFICATE</u>	<u>COLOURS CERTIFICATE</u>	<u>HONOURS CERTIFICATE</u>
Grade 10	490 – 524 marks 70 -74%	525 – 559 marks 75 - 79%	560 – 594 marks 80 - 84%	595→ marks 85%+
Grade 11	490 – 524 marks 70 -74%	525 – 559 marks 75 - 79%	560 – 594 marks 80 - 84%	595→ marks 85%
Grade 12	490 – 524 marks 70 -74%	525 – 559 marks 75 - 79%	560 – 594 marks 80 - 84%	595→ marks 85%

SENIOR PHASE

	<u>MERIT CERTIFICATE</u>	<u>ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT CERTIFICATE</u>	<u>ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT CERTIFICATE AND SCROLL</u>
Grade 8/9	75 – 79%	80 – 84%	85% +

CULTURAL AWARDS

ART

To be recognised for an award in Visual Arts the learner must win (or be a member of the team that wins) a competition run by a prestigious company.

HONOURS:

Adobe Youth Voices (International)

COLOURS:

The Wild-life Trust (KwaZulu Natal)

Woolworths 'Making the Difference through Design' (National)

Vega Vibe (National Winners)

HALF COLOURS:

Vega Vibe (Durban)

The Design School (also Vega) (Durban)

Any other competitions to be assessed at the discretion of the Head of Art & Design in liaison with the Colours Committee.

CREATIVE WRITING

HONOURS: Work published in **ENGLISH ALIVE**

COLOURS: **Senior Prize-winner, Senior Runner-up - ROYAL COMMONWEALTH ESSAY COMPETITION**

Winner – *Douglas Livingstone* Short Story/ Poetry Competition

Winner – **Time of the Writer / Poetry Africa** Competition

HALF COLOURS: Placed 2nd/ 3rd - *Douglas Livingstone* Short Story/ Poetry Competition

- **Time of the Writer / Poetry Africa** Competition

MERIT CERTIFICATE: Highly Commended/ Commended- *Douglas Livingstone* Short Story/ Poetry Competition/Time of the Writer / Poetry Africa Competition

Gold & Silver Awards –

ROYAL COMMONWEALTH ESSAY COMPETITION

JUNIOR COLOURS: Junior Prize-winner, Junior Runner-up –

ROYAL COMMONWEALTH ESSAY COMPETITION

MERIT CERTIFICATE: Gold Award & Silver Awards -

ROYAL COMMONWEALTH ESSAY COMPETITION

DRAMA AWARDS

The following areas of performance are under consideration:

- *Stage Manager/Main Lighting Technician/Main Sound Technician in external production*
- *Performing in an external (recognised) production (KZN Young Performers; production at a boys' school etc)*
- *Winning National and/or International Drama competitions, festivals, scholarships etc – providing recognised and reputable.*
- *Other (at the discretion of the Head of Drama)*

HONOURS: Recipient of ACT/DALRO/Nedbank performance scholarship (equivalent to being placed first in South Africa); Overseas scholarship for performance/theatre studies/theatrical design etc to recognised, accredited university or place of study.

COLOURS:

- Leading/principal role awarded in external recognised production (e.g. KZN Young Performers or productions by the Playhouse Company, Kickstart or equivalent where auditions are open to all of KZN)
- **OR** significant technical backstage role in external recognised production (e.g. KZN Young Performers, The Playhouse Company, Kickstart etc or equivalent where auditions are open to all of KZN).
- **OR** winner of award in reputable provincial Drama Competitions or Festivals, where competitors have entered from all of KZN.

HALF COLOURS:

- Winner of award in reputable district Drama Competitions or Festivals where competitors are drawn from all of Durban and the local areas.
- selected for a leading/significant supporting lead role in local production where auditions are drawn from Durban (boys' schools, local theatre etc).

JUNIOR COLOURS: Leading role awarded in external recognised production (KZN Young Performers, The Playhouse Company, Kickstart or other equivalent).

MERIT CERTIFICATE: Ensemble role awarded in external recognised production (KZN Young Performers, The Playhouse Company, Kickstart or other equivalent).

EXPO

HONOURS

Placed in top 3 nationally with gold medal

COLOURS

First, 2nd or 3rd in KZN with a gold medal

HALF COLOURS

Win a gold Medal in KZN

MERIT CERTIFICATE

Win first class certificate with silver medal

(Expo entrants can be individuals or a team)

MUSIC

HONOURS

National Youth Orchestra

KZN Youth Orchestra for second complete year and qualified at Grade 6 level or above, or as 1st player of that instrument in the band.

KZN Youth Wind Band for second complete year and qualified at Grade 6 level or above, or as 1st player of that instrument in the band.

KZN Youth Choir - completed 2nd consecutive year.

COLOURS

Completion of a year with the KZN Youth Wind Band and qualified at Grade 4 level or above in relevant instrument.

Completion of a year with the KZN Youth Orchestra and qualified at Grade 4 level or above in relevant instrument.

Completion of a year with the KZN Youth Choir.

HALF COLOURS

Completion of a year with the KZN Shadow Orchestra.

JUNIOR COLOURS

National Youth Orchestra

Completion of a year as a member of the KZN Youth Orchestra or the KZN Youth Wind Band.

Completion of a year with the KZN Youth Choir.

MERIT CERTIFICATE

Completion of a year with the KZN Shadow Orchestra.

OLYMPIADS

The Olympiad must be the recognised RSA competition in the given subject field, e.g. ATKV, Spellathon, AMESA, SAICA and SAIPA.

HONOURS	Positions 1 – 15 in RSA
COLOURS	Positions 16 - 50 in RSA
HALF COLOURS	Positions 51 –100 in RSA

Must be a nationally recognised Olympiad and a recognised Body.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

ALBERT LUTHULI ORAL HISTORY COMPETITION YOUNG HISTORIANS / GEOGRAPHERS

HONOURS	Placed in top 3 at National Finals
COLOURS	Winner of KZN round
HALF COLOURS	Placed 2 nd / 3 rd in KZN round

ATKV COMPETITION

HONOURS	Placed in top 3 in final round or in a competition of similar standard
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DEBATING

HONOURS	Selection for, and participation in, SA team for World Championships
COLOURS	Selection for, and participation in, the KZN team at the SASDA National Tournament
HALF COLOURS	Selection for, and participation in, the Durban team at the KZNSDA Provincial Tournament
MERIT	Selection for, and participation in, the Durban team at a KZNSDA Interleague Tournament
JUNIOR COLOURS	Selection for, and participation in, the KZN Junior team at the SASDA National Tournament
JUNIOR MERIT	Selection for, and participation in, the Durban team at the KZNSDA Provincial Tournament (Gr 8 – 9)

INDIVIDUAL PUBLIC SPEAKING AND DEBATING COMPETITION

HONOURS	Selection for, and participation in, the International Individual Public Speaking and Debating Competition
COLOURS	Placed in top 3 in an individual category at National Individual Public Speaking and Debating Competition
HALF COLOURS	Placed in top 3 in an individual category at Provincial Individual Public Speaking and Debating Competition
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HONOURS	Member of winning team at National Final / individual chosen to represent SA at International round
COLOURS	Member of winning team at Provincial Final
HALF COLOURS	Member of team placed 2 nd / 3 rd in Provincial Final

ROTARY TEAM SPEAKING COMPETITION

COLOURS	Member of winning team
HALF COLOURS	Member of team placed 2 nd / 3 rd in competition
MERIT	Participation in final

SAGSDT BEST SPEAKER COMPETITION

COLOURS	Winner of competition
HALF COLOURS	Placed 2 nd / 3 rd in competition
JUNIOR COLOURS	Winner of competition (grade 8 + 9)
MERIT	Participation in final

SAGSDT FORUM DISCUSSION COMPETITION

MERIT	Member of winning team / Best Chairperson
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TOASTMASTERS

HONOURS	Placed in top 3 of National Competition
COLOURS	Winner of Provincial Competition
HALF COLOURS	Placed 2 nd / 3 rd in Provincial Competition

QUIZ AWARDS

This policy applies to any established and reputable quiz event in which teams must enter and formally compete.

HONOURS

Representing South Africa in an international quiz event.

COLOURS

Winning a quiz at national level – e.g. where teams are drawn from all of South Africa.

HALF-COLOURS

Winning a quiz at provincial level – e.g. where teams are drawn from all over KZN

MERIT CERTIFICATE

Winning a quiz at regional/district level – e.g. where teams are drawn from Durban/Ethekwini etc.

SPORTS AWARDS

ATHLETICS AND CROSS COUNTRY

HONOURS	SA U17 / 18 / 19 Team. (Providing athlete attains 800 points in accordance with APE Tables for track and field)
COLOURS	KZN U 17 / 18 / 19 Team (Providing athlete attains 700 points in accordance with APE Tables for track and field) Achievement at Inter-school meeting achieving a 1 st , 2 nd or 3 rd position U16 / 17 / 18 / 19 and attains 700 points in accordance with APE Tables for track and field
HALF COLOURS	Umlazi District U16 / 17 / 18 / 19 Team. (Providing athlete attains 600 points in accordance with APE Tables for track and field) Achievement at Inter-school meeting achieving a 1 st , 2 nd or 3 rd position U16 / 17 / 18 / 19 and attains 600 points in accordance with APE Tables for track and field
JUNIOR COLOURS	Awarded to an athlete who participated in the U14 / 15 / 16 / 17 / 18 / 19 age group and attains 500 points or more in accordance with APE Tables for track and field

THE FOLLOWING CODES WILL HAVE THE SAME CRITERIA

**BADMINTON, BASKETBALL, CRICKET, GOLF, INDOOR &
OUTDOOR HOCKEY, NETBALL, SOFTBALL, SOCCER,
SQUASH, TENNIS, VOLLEYBALL &
WATERPOLO**

HONOURS	SA Team (SA U16/U18/U21 or Senior)
COLOURS	KZN Coastal Women's Team or KZN Coastal U21A KZN U19A Team KZN U18A & U17A
HALF COLOURS	KZN U16A Team & U15A KZN U19B / 18B / 17B / 16B
JUNIOR COLOURS	KZN U14 A or B Team
MERIT CERTIFICATE Grade 8 – 12	UMLAZI District Team U14 – U18

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HONOURS	SA Schools Team
COLOURS	KZN U20A Team
HALF-COLOURS	KZN U20B Team KZN U16A Team
JUNIOR COLOURS	KZN Team
MERIT CERTIFICATE Grade 8 – 12	Umlazi A Team

CLIMBING – SPORT & BOULDERING

HONOURS	SA Representation in Sport Climbing
COLOURS	Selection for KZN Provincial sport climbing team
HALF COLOURS	Achieving 1 st place in school Bouldering league competition, in Open or U17 age group. Achieving 1 st place in school Sport Climbing competition, in Open or U17 age group.
MERIT CERTIFICATE	Achieving 1 st place in school bouldering league competition, in U15 age group Achieving 1 st place in school Sport Climbing competition in U15 or age group
JUNIOR COLOURS	Selection to KZN Provincial Sport Climbing team U15 /U14/ U13

DRUM MAJORETTES

HONOURS	Grades 10 - 12	SA Outdoor Champion Team Member
COLOURS	Grades 10 - 12	KZN Team Representative for 3 years
HALF COLOURS	Grades 10 – 12	KZN Team Representative for 2 years
JUNIOR COLOURS		SA Outdoor Champion Team Member

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SANESA RECOMMENDATIONS:

DISCIPLINE	MERIT	HALF COLOURS	FULL COLOURS
	Up to 80cm	90cm – 110m	120cm -
JUMPING	LEVEL 1-2	LEVEL 3 - 5	LEVEL 6-7
DRESSAGE	LEVEL 1-2	LEVEL 3 + 5	LEVEL 6-7
DRESSAGE – PRIX CAPRELLI	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 4	LEVEL 7
EQUITATION	LEVEL 1-2	LEVEL3-4	LEVEL 6-7
SHOWING	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 3 & 5	LEVEL 7
WESTERN MOUNTED GAMES	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 4	LEVEL 7
EVENTING	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 3 &5	LEVEL 6-7
ENDURANCE	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 3 &5	LEVEL 7

SOUTH AFRICAN REPRESENTATION HONOURS

VAULTING & TENT PEGGING TO BE ADVISED

GYMNASTICS – ARTISTIC

HONOURS	SA Representation 1 st in RSA (National Level)
COLOURS	2 nd in RSA (National Level)
HALF COLOURS	KZN Team Level 5 and up 3 rd , 4 th or 5 th in RSA
MERIT CERTIFICATE	KZN Team Level 4

(NB. Grades 8 and 9 are at their peak at this age and should be considered for these awards)

GYMNASTICS – RHYTHMIC

HONOURS	SA Representation 1 st in SA (Level 7 and up)
COLOURS	1 st in SA (Level 5 and 6) 2 nd in SA (Level 7 and up)
HALF COLOURS	1 st in Level 4 2 nd , 3 rd in SA (Level 4 up)
MERIT CERTIFICATE	4 th or 5 th in SA (Any Level)

SURFING/LIFE SAVING/STILL WATER

HONOURS SA Schools Team

COLOURS KZN Schools Team

JUNIOR COLOURS KZN Team

SWIMMING

HONOURS SA Team

COLOURS SA National Aquatics Championships (Level 4)
Medal at Level 3

HALF COLOURS Level 3 National Age Group Championships

MERIT Level 2

JUNIOR COLOURS KZN Level 4, 3, 2

Open Water Swimming times will be considered as per the SSA guidelines for School Colours 2013

TOUCH

HONOURS

SATA Schools Team (U17 / U19 / U21)

FULL COLOURS

KZNTA U21A Team
KZNTA Ladies Open Team / Mixed Open Team
KZNTA U19A Team

HALF COLOURS

KZNTA U17A Team
KZNTA U19 Mixed Team

JUNIOR COLOURS

For any of the above Teams