

# Virginia R. Boris Elementary *Block B AWARD*



**An Introductory Guide for Earning the  
“EXEMPLARY CHARGER AWARD”**

CLOVIS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

2023-2024

## **OVERVIEW**

The Exemplary Charger Award is the highest award a student may earn at Virginia R. Boris Elementary. The **Block B Award** is available to fourth (4<sup>th</sup>), fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) and sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) grade students. The award is awarded to students who meet the category criteria once per academic school year. The application deadline is by the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> week in May. The award is given out during an award ceremony at the end of the school year.

The criteria for earning this award reflects a broad base of participation, achievement, and service. In order to earn the Block B Award, a student must complete the required number of items in each of the following categories:

**Mind – 12 points Needed**

**Body – 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> graders – 10 points Needed and 4<sup>th</sup> graders – 8 points Needed**

**Spirit - 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> graders - 10 Items Needed and 4<sup>th</sup> graders – 6 Items Needed**

### **General Rules:**

- To count an activity, it must have occurred during the 2023-2024 academic school year.
- Students must have completed the season or activity and be a member in good standing to get credit.
- Students must have completed the minimum number of items in each area to be eligible for the Block “B” award.
- Students who have been suspended from school will be eliminated from Block B.
- Teachers will verify the application form for accuracy prior to submission.

The purpose of this award is to recognize those well-rounded individuals who exemplify the qualities that Virginia R. Boris hopes to foster in all 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. The word *EXEMPLARY*, in fact, means: (1) *deserving imitation*; (2) *serving as an example*; and (3) *worthy of being a model*.

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 the award, striving for it will hopefully enrich and enhance their educational foundation.

In the sections that follow, specific guidelines and requirements governing the earning of points in each category are discussed. We encourage parents and teachers to work closely with students in planning and setting goals.

## **Mind:**

### **12 Points needed**

- Principal's Honor Roll, High Honor Roll, or Honor Roll \*\* potentially up to 12 points earned
- Sparthenian Award
- Academic Growth on Math and/or ELA Diagnostic
- A Writing, Math, or Reading Award
- Essay and/or Art Contest (must be a CUSD contest for up to two (2) points earned
- Science Olympiad/Science Fair
- GATE
- Robotics
- Drama
- Oral Interpretation

## **Body:**

### **8 Points needed (4<sup>th</sup> grade)**

### **10 points needed (5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade)**

- Pep and Cheer \* up to four (4) points for the year
- Healthy Fitness Zone for Physical Fitness Testing
- Folklorico Dance
- Cultural Dance
- Team Manager/Intramurals
- Two points per team participated on. Must complete the season with the team in accordance with the Athletic Code of Conduct.

#### **Fall/Winter Sports**

Football  
Girls' Volleyball  
Cross Country  
Basketball  
Wrestling

#### **Spring Sports**

Softball  
Baseball  
Boys' Volleyball  
Track  
Paddle Tennis

## Spirit

6 Points needed(4<sup>th</sup> grade)

10 points needed (5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade)

- Ran For Student council
- Served as student council officer/classroom rep for two (2) points per term (entire term served)
- Choir/Band \* must receive and “outstanding” on both quarter report cards
- Lunch Helper \* one full week served
- Charger Pride Award
- Participated in a CUSD poster contest - two (2) points if recognized by district
- Human Relations
- Principal’s PASA group (part of Human Relations Counsel chosen by school principal)
- Intramurals (can only be used in one category: Body OR Spirit)

## School Site Service – (Up to 5 points)

Students may add one point to any category by completing 5 sessions of school site service. The attached form must be filled out and returned along with your completed application.

## Community Service (Up to 3 points)

Students may add one point to any category by completing 3 hours of community service. The attached form must be filled out and returned along with your completed application.

# School Service Verification Form

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date(s) Served: \_\_\_\_\_

In order to receive credit for the Service-Learning Section, students must volunteer on the Virginia R. Boris school campus for a minimum of 5 sessions during the academic school year. The list below is meant to be a guideline. The following examples below are examples of possible organizations:

- ☐ Campus Catering (cafeteria)
- ☐ MPR/Cafeteria Beautification (clean-up)
- ☐ Campus Beautification (clean-up)
- ☐ Extra help at schoolwide events (carnival, multicultural events, other school activities)
- ☐ Tutor/Helper in the classroom and on the Boris campus

## **SCHOOL SITE CERTIFICATION** **(completed by a Boris teacher and/or staff)**

I certify that the individual named above volunteered for 5 sessions/days during the 2023-2024 school year and actively participated in a respectful and acceptable manner. I recommend that s/he be granted credit toward the Virginia R. Boris Block B Award for School Service.

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Signature

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Date

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Date

5.

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Print Name

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Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



# Community Service Verification Form

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

In order to receive credit for the Service-Learning Section, students must volunteer at a community organization for a minimum of 5 hours during the academic school year. The list below is meant to be a guideline. The following examples below are examples of possible organizations:

- ☐ SPCA
- ☐ Poverello House
- ☐ Community Food Bank
- ☐ Children's Hospital
- ☐ Tutor/Helper

## SPONSOR CERTIFICATION

I certify that the individual named above volunteered for 5 hours during the 2023-2024 school year as a member of the organization indicated above and has actively participated in a consistent and acceptable manner. I recommend that s/he be granted credit toward the Virginia R. Boris Block B Award for Community Service.

Name of Organization	Date	# of Hours Served	Print Name	Signature

