

FREEDOM
ELEMENTARY
Block F AWARD



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

CLOVIS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

2022-2023

OVERVIEW

The Exemplary Trailblazer Award is the highest award a student may earn at Freedom Elementary. The **Block F Award** is available to fourth, fifth, and sixth grade students and is awarded at the end of each semester.

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

Mind –3 Items Needed

Body – 5th/6th graders - 3 Items Needed and 4th graders – 2 Items Needed

Spirit - 5th/6th graders - 4 Items Needed and 4th graders – 3 Items Needed

General Rules:

- To count an activity, it must have occurred during that semester.
- 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 “F” award.
- Students who have been suspended from school will be eliminated for Block F.
- 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 Freedom 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. The word *EXEMPLARY*, in fact, means: (1) *deserving imitation*; (2) *servng 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 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:

3 Points needed

- Principal's Honor Roll, High Honor Roll, or Honor Roll ** up to two points earned
- Perfect Attendance **1 point per quarter earned
- Sparthenian Award
- Essay Contest (must be a CUSD contest)
- Science Olympiad
- Drama
- Oral Interpretation
- GATE

Body:

2 Points needed (4th grade)

3 points needed (5th/6th grade)

- Pep and Cheer * one point awarded each semester
- Healthy Fitness Zone for Physical Fitness Testing *2nd semester only
- Folklorico Dance
- Asian Dance
- Team Manager
- One point per team participated on. Must complete the season with the team in accordance to the Athletic Code of Conduct.

Semester 1:

Football
Girls' Volleyball
Cross Country
Basketball
Wrestling

Semester 2:

Softball
Baseball
Boys' Volleyball
Track
Paddle Tennis

Spirit

4 Points needed(4th grade)

5 points needed (5th/6th grade)

- Ran For Student council
- Served as student council officer/classroom rep (entire term served)
- Choir/Band * must receive an “outstanding” on both quarter report cards
- Lunch Helper * one full week served
- Trailblazer Award
- Participated in a CUSD poster contest
- Mac & Kids – Must attend both meetings during the semester
- Human Relations

Community Service

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 each semester.



Community Service Verification Form

Student Name: _____ Date(s) Served: _____

In order to receive credit for the Service-Learning Section, students must volunteer at a community organization for a minimum of 3 hours during the semester. 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

SPONSOR CERTIFICATION

I certify that the individual named above volunteered for 3 hours during the 2022-2023 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 Riverview Block F Award for Community Service. If you have any questions, you may contact me at this phone number _____.

Print Name

Signature

Title

Name of Organization

Date

