Virginia R. Boris Elementary Block B AWARD



An Introductory Guide for Earning the "EXEMPLARY CHARGER AWARD"

CLOVIS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

2024-2025

<u>OVERVIEW</u>

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^{th}) , fifth (5^{th}) and sixth (6^{th}) grade students. The award is awarded to students who meet the category criteria once per academic school year. The application deadline is the 1st week of 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 –<u>12 points Needed</u>

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

Spirit - 5th/6th graders - 10 Items Needed and 4th graders - 6 Items Needed

General Rules:

- To count an activity, it must have occurred during the 2024-2025 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 (4th grade)

10 points needed (5th/6th 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
- Other: gymnastics, dance, martial arts, AAU, sport's leagues, etc. (2pts per year)
- Two points per team participated on. Must complete the season with the team in accordance with the Athletic Code of Conduct.

Fall/Winter Sports	Spring Sports
Football	Softball
Girls' Volleyball	Baseball
Cross Country	Boys' Volleyball
Basketball	Track
Wrestling	Paddle Tennis

Spirit

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

10 points needed (5th/6th 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)
- Chess Club (up to two (2) points if participate in tournaments)

<u>School Site Service – (Up to 5 points)</u>

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: _____

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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 2024-2025 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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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:

- o 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 2024-2025 school year as a member of the organization indicated above and has actively participated in a consistent and acceptable manner. I recommend that this student be granted credit toward the Virginia R. Boris Block B Award for Community Service.

Name of Organization	Date	# of Hours Served	Print Name	Signature

