

# CARDINALS UNITED

UNITED WAY OF JASPER COUNTY VARSITY LETTER IN COMMUNITY SERVICE

## 2018-19 School Year Guidelines & Application

In collaboration with Newton Senior High School Student Council and the Cardinal Cares Initiative, United Way of Jasper County has established Cardinals United a program offering a varsity letter to students who volunteer 110 or more hours of service in a year.

Students at NHS or WEST Academy earning their UWJC Varsity Letter in Community Service will be recognized during a special awards banquet hosted by United Way. Students also will be recognized on their transcripts and at senior graduation.

This packet includes the application form and guidelines for you to successfully complete your hours and earn a varsity letter. Please read thoroughly. If you have questions contact Mr. Miller or the United Way at [unitedwayjc@gmail.com](mailto:unitedwayjc@gmail.com).

### Students must meet all of the following requirements to apply:

- Must be in grades 9-12 at WEST Academy- Newton, Iowa
- Have a 2.0 GPA or higher
- Complete a minimum of 75 hours\*  
*\* 75 hour benchmark is for 2018-19 school year only. Future years will have a 110 hours minimum*
- Complete application by Oct. 1, 2018, and return to Mr. Miller
- Submit all hours for verification on a quarterly basis to Mr. Miller
- Submit final hours for verification by April 15, 2019

### What to expect after you apply:

- You will be notified upon receipt of your application and acceptance to the program by Oct. 8, 2018
- When applying, please note that certified hours completed beginning Sept. 1, 2018, will retroactively apply to the completion of your 75 hours for a letter.
- You will then be notified of your award status no later than May 6, 2019.
- Awards will be given at an event for UWJC Varsity Letter winners
- If you are unable to attend the award ceremony the letters will be available for pick up at the UWJC office after May 20, 2019
- Letters not picked up can be mailed for a \$5 fee.

**DEADLINE TO APPLY:  
MONDAY, OCT. 1, 2018**



United Way  
of Jasper County



# WEST ACADEMY STUDENT APPLICATION 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR

*Please print clearly!*

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **GRADUATION YEAR:** \_\_\_\_\_

**EMAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MAILING ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please circle:**

This will be my **1st** **2nd** **3rd** **4th** Varsity Letter in Community Service.

I would like the United Way of Jasper County to notify me directly of volunteer opportunities that meet the Cardinals United Varsity Letter Program guidelines.

**Yes, please contact me**

**No, I am not interested at this time**

## STUDENT AGREEMENT

I am voluntarily participating in the United Way of Jasper County Cardinals United Varsity Letter program. I understand that this is 100% voluntary and I may quit the program at any time. I also understand that I will not be compensated in any way for my hours of service or assisted with travel or supplies necessary to fulfill the program. Furthermore, I do not and will not hold the United Way of Jasper County (Iowa), its staff or board members liable for any accident or injury I may sustain while completing community service hours to achieve their varsity letter.

I hereby assign to United Way of Jasper County all rights to video and audio recordings and all photographs of me made in connection with Varsity Letter in Community Service activities. I hereby authorize editing, duplication, reproduction, copyright, exhibition, broadcast and/or other use and distribution of such recordings or quotations for purposes deemed suitable by United Way of Jasper County. I also waive any right to approve or disapprove the finished products.

**STUDENT SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

## PARENT/GUARDIAN AGREEMENT

I hereby grant permission for my child to participate in the Cardinals United program. I understand that my child is voluntarily participating in this program and will not be compensated in any way for their hours of service. Furthermore, I do not and will not hold the United Way of Jasper County (Iowa), its staff or board members liable for any accident or injury my child may sustain while completing community service hours to achieve their varsity letter.

I hereby assign to United Way of Jasper County all rights to video and audio recordings and all photographs of my child made in connection with Varsity Letter in Community Service activities. I hereby authorize editing, duplication, reproduction, copyright, exhibition, broadcast and/or other use and distribution of such recordings or quotations for purposes deemed suitable by United Way of Jasper County. I also waive any right to approve or disapprove the finished products.

**GUARDIAN NAME** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**GUARDIAN SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_



# ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR

This form must be completed and returned with your application in order for it to be considered. United Way of Jasper County requires students earning their varsity letter in community service to be in good standing with the school they attend. Students receiving their letters must meet the same academic requirements and eligibility guidelines as other varsity letter recipients as they are set forth by their school.

United Way of Jasper County requires that varsity letter in community service recipients maintain at least a 2.0 Grade Point Average (GPA).

This academic eligibility check must be completed by an appropriate school staff member.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact United Way of Jasper County by email at [unitedwayjc@gmail.com](mailto:unitedwayjc@gmail.com) or by phone at 641-792-1684.

**STUDENT NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SCHOOL DISTRICT:** \_\_\_\_\_

I verify that, as of (date) \_\_\_\_\_, the above listed student meets the academic standards and good standing requirements as set forth by our high school and 2.0 GPA requirement set forth by United Way of Jasper County.

**STAFF NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**STAFF TITLE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**STAFF SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_