## North East High School



## **Academic Awards Program**

Each department in the school awards academic certificates to one outstanding student and three commendable students in all subjects taught. These awards are distributed during a formal awards ceremony at the end of the academic year. The recipients are determined utilizing the following criteria:

- 1. Academic performance in the subject area during the current school year.
- 2. In case of a tie, subtest scores on the most recent standardized test are used.

Senior awards for outstanding achievement are given to one senior in every department who has the highest cumulative grade average in that department's course offerings over the four years of high school. In addition to a framed certificate, the senior's name is engraved on a brass plate and attached to the department's walnut plaque, which is displayed in the gym/ auditorium lobby.

## **Academic Letters**

Students who excel in their honors and academic coursework, academic extracurricular activities and standardized test scores may receive an academic letter. To receive an academic letter, students must earn a pre-determined number of points based on grades, standardized test scores, rank, and individual academic awards. Students may apply for the letter during the second semester each year. Letters are awarded during a formal banquet honoring the recipients in the spring of the year.

## **National Honor Society**

In March of each year, all sophomores, juniors and seniors who have a cumulative 3.5 grade point average may apply for membership in the North East High School chapter of the National Honor Society. Using a point scale, a faculty committee then reviews each application for performance in four areas: academics, leadership, character, and service.

A late spring induction ceremony takes place at the school. Students who have been inducted into the NHS remain members unless their GPA drops below 3.0 or they have been involved in any serious disciplinary action.