Individual House Points and House Cup

**Purpose**

St Joseph’s College seeks to provide a holistic learning environment where students can participate and achieve in all areas of College life.

The House Cup and House Points system is designed to recognise students’ individual contributions to the College community in four areas of College life - Cultural, Mission, Sport and Academic.

**Accruing Individual Points**

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| **Category** | **Activity or Achievement** | **Number of Points** |
| **Cultural** | Fully participating in a large ensemble or cultural group for one term (e.g. concert band, string ensemble, choir, dance troupe) or large-scale cultural event (e.g. Musical, Music Tour). | 3 |
| Fully participating in a Junior Ensemble or cultural group for one term (e.g. Jnr Band, Jnr Choir, Jnr Strings, Debating, Opti-Minds, Mooting). | 2 |
| Fully participating in a small ensemble or cultural group for one term (e.g. flute ensemble, percussion ensemble, Chess competition). | 1 |
| Representing the College with integrity at, or contributing to, at a one-off cultural event outside of school hours (e.g. SHEP, Eisteddfod, Music Camp, SS Concert, Art Show, Paul Morton Choral, Joeys Day Concert. Debating Tournament, | 1 |
| **Sport** | Fully participating in a College sporting team for one term which includes attendance at training. | 3 |
| Representing the College with integrity at, or contributing to, a one-off sporting event. | 1 |
| **Mission** | Fully participating in a mission group for one term (e.g. Liturgy Group, Interact, Just Joey’s), including attendance at scheduled meetings. | 3 |
| Representing the College with integrity at, or contributing to, a one-off mission or service event. | 1 |
| **Academic** | All VGs and Gs in a semester/unit reporting period | 3 |
| Gold Award or High Distinction through external assessment (e.g. ICAS, HeadStart) | 3 |
| Silver Award or Distinction through external assessment (e.g. ICAS, Headstart) | 2 |
| Bronze Award or Credit in external assessment (e.g. ICAS, Headstart) | 1 |

**The Star System**

Students will be presented stars as they accrue points to meet the following criteria over the course of an academic year. All students begin each academic year with zero points.

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| **Award** | **Points Requirement** |
| Bronze Star | Ten House Points from any or all categories |
| Silver Star | Twenty House Points from any or all categories |
| Gold Star | Thirty House Points from any or all categories |
| Purple Star | Thirty House Points from any or all categories and  A minimum of one point in each category. |

**The House Cup**

The House Cup is awarded annually to the house that has the largest number of total points over the course of the academic year. A house accrues points over the course of the academic year through:

1. Individual points accrued by its member students, and
2. House placings in interhouse competitions including Swimming Carnival, Cross Carnival, Athletics Carnival and Compassion Cup.

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| **Achievement** | **Points Awarded to House\*** |
| First at an Interhouse Competition | 200 |
| Second at an Interhouse Competition | 150 |
| Third at an Interhouse Competition | 100 |
| Fourth at an Interhouse Competition | 50 |

\*These points are awarded to a house in its entirety but not to individual students.