

# **Thunderbird Award Guide**



**23-24 School Year**  
**Due April 19, 2024**

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## T-Bird Award Check-off Sheet

- ☐ Students, thoroughly read and review this packet.
- ☐ Understand the Mind, Body, and Spirit Points sheet and address any questions to the Lightning office.
- ☐ Visit the Lightning Office anytime you have a question or need clarification on any of the packet, or if you need more forms for Kastner Reader, School Service, or Community Service.
- ☐ Make sure to turn in the following items to the Lightning Cluster Office by:  
FRIDAY, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024, by 3:00 PM.

### MAKE SURE YOU INCLUDE ALL OF ITEMS BELOW:

1. Thunderbird Reading Log
2. School service time log w/ signatures
3. Community service record time log w/signatures
4. Thunderbird award points sheet, w/ signatures.

# Philosophical Statement

The educational program at Kastner Intermediate School is rooted in the concept of educating the total child in Mind, Body, and Spirit. Our school plays a significant role in preparing students to lead successful and happy lives. This entails much more than merely teaching skills and imparting knowledge. Kastner Intermediate School provides a wide range of experiences for students and a framework within which their attitudes toward themselves and their environment can take shape. In essence, school is a laboratory, where students should assume a variety of roles and engage in diverse experiences in order to explore and develop the many facets of their unique personalities and talents. A student who has had a broad base of participation in school activities and who has learned how to participate in a variety of settings, will have a better understanding of his/her interests and abilities.

The **THUNDERBIRD AWARD** is the highest, most prestigious award a student may earn at Kastner Intermediate School. This honor is available to seventh and eighth grade students and is awarded at the Principal's Awards Reception.

The criteria for earning this award reflects a broad base of participation, achievement and service. To earn the **THUNDERBIRD AWARD**, a student must accrue a minimum of points in four distinct categories:

- MIND – Scholarship
- MIND – Co-Curricular
- BODY – Physical Activity and Effort
- SPIRIT – School and Community Service

The purpose of this award is to recognize these well-rounded individuals who exemplify the qualities that Kastner Intermediate School hopes to foster in all its students: (1) The desire for self-improvement. (2) Dedication and commitment in reaching goals. (3) Concern for and service to others. (4) The willingness to be a positive role model to others.

It is our hope that 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 his/her educational foundation.

*\*\*\* PLEASE NOTE: This award is constantly in a state of transition because of changing circumstances at the state, district, and school site levels. Kastner staff reserves the right to modify this award as needed during the school year.*

# Thunderbird Award Responsibility

- It is the responsibility of each student to plan and set goals to earn this award.
- It is each student's responsibility to track all points earned throughout the school year, get all required signatures, and to turn in the required forms by the April deadline. If unable to obtain a required signature for any reason, you must consult with your cluster one week prior to the deadline. (Students will be notified on morning announcements and in the Thunderbird Flier prior to the specific deadline.)
- It is strongly suggested that students consult their AB Teacher for additional information and to get answers to questions as early in the school year as possible. Students who still have questions may consult their Cluster Office.
- Requests for waivers in special circumstances (i.e., medical waiver for P.E. requirement) *should be submitted to a Learning Director as early in the school year as possible but must be submitted one month prior to the award paperwork deadline.*

# **Thunderbird Award Procedure**

## **I. STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES**

Students who wish to earn the Thunderbird Award should follow the procedures listed below:

1. Maintain an updated Thunderbird Award Record Sheet.
2. Enter the points earned in each category.
3. Secure appropriate verification signatures from the necessary advisors.
4. Turn in the Thunderbird Award record sheet, and Service forms to the Lightning Cluster office by the date & time posted on 4.

**\*\*\*Students check in with their cluster office to review their Thunderbird Award Record Sheet *at the end of the first semester*. We will be checking to see that the appropriate progress is being made. Students should have verified and completed at least 17 points towards completion of the award, this is the halfway mark.**

## **II. TEACHER/COACH RESPONSIBILITY**

The teacher/coach who receives an application should follow the procedures listed below.

1. The teacher/coach will sign the Thunderbird Award Record Sheet for students involved in the activities the staff member sponsors. A staff member shall not sign up for activities he/she does not sponsor.
2. Lightning Cluster Staff will sign off Honor Roll.

## **III. CLUSTER OFFICE RESPONSIBILITY**

1. The Lightning Cluster office will receive and process all Thunderbird Award Record Sheets.
2. The cluster office will generate a list of qualified applicants, this will be posted on the Website.

## **IV. THUNDERBIRD AWARD VERIFICATION**

1. The Lightning Cluster will verify each Thunderbird Award recipient's qualifications.
2. The Lightning Cluster Secretaries will inform qualified students and parents of the awards program.

## **V. THUNDERBIRD AWARD RECOGNITION**

1. Students who have met all criteria for the Thunderbird Award will receive a distinctive Kastner Medallion that will be presented at the End of the Year Principal's Awards Reception.

# Thunderbird Award Guidelines

To earn the Thunderbird Award, a student must fulfill the following requirements:

1. Earn a minimum total of 34 points for the entire year.
2. Earn a minimum of 6 points from the “MIND” - Student Achievement category.
3. Earn a minimum of 6 points from the “MIND” - Co-Curricular category.
4. Earn a minimum of 6 points from the “BODY” - Physical Activities category.
5. Earn a minimum of 6 points from the “SPIRIT” - Personal Service category.
6. Earn an additional 10 points from any combination of categories above and beyond the minimum number of points required.



**Note: The Thunderbird Award is the most prestigious award presented at Kastner. Recipients should represent the “Best of the Best” in terms of balance in academic success, character, and behavior. *Students who have been suspended during the school year are not eligible to earn the Thunderbird Award - regardless of total points earned.***

## Let's get to work Thunderbird!

## **MIND: Scholarship Category**

### **Honor Rolls**

Maximum of **12 points** possible per year in this category.

(\*Signed off by Mrs. Calderon in the Lightning Office).

### **Principal's Honors**

**Six points** are earned if the student has a 4.0 GPA (Principal's Honor Roll) on the first semester's report card.

**\*Six points** are earned if the student has a 4.0 GPA (Principal's Honor Roll) on the twelve-week progress report *during the second semester*.

### **High Honors**

**Four points** are earned if the student has earned High Honor Roll (3.76 - 3.99 GPA) on the first semester's report card.

**\*Four points** are earned if the student has earned High Honor Roll (3.76 - 3.99 GPA) on the twelve-week progress report *during the second semester*.

### **Honors**

**Three points** are earned if the student has earned Honor Roll (3.5 - 3.75 GPA) on the first semester's report card.

**\*Three points** are earned if the student has earned Honor Roll (3.5 - 3.75 GPA) on the twelve-week progress report *during the second semester*.

### **Academic Growth** (Second Semester Only)

**Two Bonus Points** may be earned by any student who during the first semester *did not* earn points in the Principal's Honor Roll, High Honor Roll, or Honor Roll categories, but did improve their grades to attain one of the three honor rolls during the second semester.

*\*Second Semester points are based upon the twelve-week reporting period to allow time for students to apply for the award and enable the Kastner Staff to verify applications.*

**MIND Category:**

***Minimum points needed to qualify 6 POINTS.***



- **California Junior Scholarship Federation (CJSF)**  
 (\*Signed off by Ms. Jaurique - Room E-5, or Mrs. Calderon in the Lightning Cluster Office)  
**One point** is earned for each semester that a student is a member of CJSF during the school year. 7<sup>TH</sup> graders may earn ONLY one point during their 7<sup>th</sup> grade year. And 8<sup>th</sup> grade students may earn a maximum of **3 points** during their 8<sup>th</sup> grade year. Students must sign up for CJSF or they will not be awarded points. CJSF membership is based on the previous semester grades. 7<sup>th</sup> grade students are eligible for the fall semester only. Eighth grade students earn eligibility for the fall semester based on their grades from the spring semester of seventh grade or in the spring semester for their fall semester grades.
  
- **Writing Essay, Poetry and/or Art Contests**  
 (\*Signed off by Mrs. Calderon-Lightning Cluster)  
**One point** for submitting an essay, poetry, and or art submission that is recognized and promoted by Kastner for each contest entered. The final essay, poetry, and or art submission must be approved in advance by the teacher/advisor and a copy submitted to the lightning cluster for point credit. Students may earn 1 point for entering the contest and earn 1 additional point for placing *first, second, or third* in the contest.  
 (\*Currently approved Essay/Poetry/Art Contests-Veteran's Day, Martin Luther King, American Legion, Saroyan, ELK's)
  
- **Poster/Art Contest**  
 (\*Signed off by Mr. Lowder-Room K-1/K-2)  
**One point** is awarded for submitting a poster from a recognized and promoted by Kastner for each contest entered (maximum of two contests may be entered per year). The Art Teacher must approve entry. Students may earn 1 point for entering the contest and earn 1 additional point for placing first, second or third in the contest (maximum **4 points** possible per year).
  
- **History Day**  
 (\*Signed off by Ms. Bahr, 7<sup>th</sup> grade D-6 and Mrs. Schultz, 8<sup>th</sup> grade E-3)  
**Two points** will be awarded for designing a History Day Project, Historical Paper, Individual or Group Performance, or Individual or Group Media Presentation. **One additional point** will be awarded for each entry that qualifies for the State History Day Competition. *One additional point* will be awarded to winners at the State Level
  
- **Science Fair / Science Olympiad**  
 (\*Signed off by Mrs. Jones R1 or Mr. Karsevar-Room C-2)  
**Two points** will be awarded for designing a Science Fair Project or participating in the Science Olympiad. One additional point will be awarded for each entry that qualifies for the State Science Fair or State Science Olympiad competition. One point will be awarded for awards at the County competition.

- **Spelling Bee**  
(\*Signed off by Learning Director, Mrs. Castro, Lightning Office)  
**One Point** will be awarded for entering the district Spelling Bee contest. One additional point will be awarded for placing 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> and the district level (maximum of **2 points** possible per year).
- **Art Award**  
(\*Signed off by Mr. Lowder - Room K-2)  
**One point** will be awarded for entering an art project in the Fresno County Fair or any other contest determined by your teacher. An additional point will be awarded for placing 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup>. (a maximum of **4 points** possible per year).
- **Student of the Month**  
(\*Signed off by Mrs. Levatino, Strike Cluster)  
**Two points** will be awarded for students who are chosen by their teacher as a Kastner Student of the Month (maximum **2 points** possible per year).
- **Robotics Team**  
(\* Signed off by Ms. Jaurique - Room E-5)  
**Two points** will be awarded for participation on the Robotics Team (required attendance at 90% of the scheduled team practice sessions). **Two additional points** will be awarded to any student who receives an award as part of a team competition or an individual award (maximum **4 points** possible per year).
- **Honors Classes**  
(\*Signed off by Student's Honors Class Teacher).  
**Two points** for honors classes: Advanced Science, Advanced Math 7 or Advanced Math 8 and/or Honors History, English Honors (maximum of **6 points** possible per year).
- **Peer Counseling/Collaborative Mentor**  
(\* Signed off by Mrs. McLean- Room C-5 or Mrs. Parks J-4)  
**Two points** will be awarded to students who are trained and actively participate as Peer Counselors, or Collaborative Mentors.
- **Leadership/School Service**  
(\*Signed off by Mr. Castle J-5)  
**Three points** will be awarded for participation in Leadership and completing the required hours of volunteer service.
- **T.E.A.M Leaders**  
(\*Signed off by Mr. Castle- Room J-5)  
**1 point** will be awarded for participation as a T.E.A.M Leader.

- **Yearbook/Journalism**  
 (\*Signed off by Mrs. Garrison – Room J-1)  
 Two points will be awarded for students who actively participate in the Yearbook/Journalism class.
- **Band/Orchestra**  
 (\* Signed off by Ms. Sledd - Room B-1)  
 Three points will be awarded for actively participating in Band or Orchestra. A bonus of one point will be awarded for receiving first place or superior rating in a district sanctioned competition (maximum of **4 points** possible per year).
- **Percussion**  
 (\* Signed off by Mr. Malatesta- Room B-1)  
 Three points will be awarded for participation in Percussion. One additional point will be awarded for participation in both Percussion and Winter Percussion (maximum of **4 points** possible per year).
- **Choir**  
 (\* Signed off by Mrs. Gaffney- J-3)  
 Three points for participation in the Concert, Girls', or Boys' Choir. A bonus of one point will be awarded for receiving first place or superior rating in a district sanctioned competition (maximum of **4 points** possible per year).
- **Honors Music Group**  
 (\* Signed off by Mrs. Gaffney-Room J-2 for Choir, or Ms. Sledd - for Band or Kastner Orchestra Teacher – for Orchestra).  
 One additional point will be awarded for each selection into a school recognized honors music group (Choir or Instrumental Music).
- **Drama**  
 (\* Signed off by Mrs. Garrison – Room F-3)  
 Two points for participation in each of the school drama productions. Having a principal role will result in **4 points** being awarded.
- **Student Government**  
 (\* Signed off by Mr. Castle - Room J-5)  
 One point will be awarded to all Kastner students who run for office. One additional point will be awarded to those students who are elected to office and serve a full year term (maximum of **2 points** possible per year).
- **Class Senator/PASA Committee Member**  
 (\*Signed off by Mr. Castle – Room J-5)  
 One point will be awarded for serving as leadership class senator or serving on the PASA committee. Regular attendance of meetings is required to earn points.

- **Kastner's Reader's Award**

(\*Signed off by Student's AB Teacher, verified by Mrs. Calderon)

This goal area is designed to promote outside reading for enjoyment and personal satisfaction.

**1-3 points** will be verified and awarded by the AB teacher or parent based on the following grade level requirements:

**Note: (1) point will be awarded for each consecutive completion of requirements.**

Outside reading material used in earning these points is subject to teacher approval based on reading level appropriateness.

The following types of reading material may not be counted in this category:

- (1) Typical textbook assignments.
- (2) Assigned reading in class or for homework.
- (3) Books on the Core Literature list used for instruction in the classroom.

**Teachers and students must maintain a reading log indicating the titles of books, number of pages read, and completion dates. The reading log must be checked by the AB Teacher quarterly for appropriate progress.**

Teachers may rely on parent input and verification in order to award points in this area (maximum of **3 points** possible per year).

**Grade 7:**

**2,000 pages = 1 point**

**4,000 pages = 2 points**

**6,000 pages = 3 points**

**Grade 8:**

**3,000 pages = 1 point**

**5,000 pages = 2 points**

**7,000 pages = 3 points**

**Minimum points needed in**  
**MIND / CO-CURRICULAR Category**  
**= 6 points**

**See Page 17 of your Thunderbird Packet for details.**

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TITLE & AUTHOR OF BOOK	PAGES READ	DATE COMPLETED	AB TEACHER SIGNATURE	CLUSTER OFFICE SIGNATURE

# **BODY Category: Physical Activities & Effort**

## **ATHLETICS**

- Students who complete the tryout process, are selected to be on the team, and complete the season earn **2 points** (must be verified and signed by head coach).
- Students who complete the tryout process, are selected to be on the team, complete the season, and are league champions earn **3 points**.
- Managers are a needed asset to each team and the above will apply to team managers. **It should be noted that participation points in the athletic category will be awarded only for participation on Kastner teams.**
- A maximum of **3 points** are possible per season.
- Students who enroll at Kastner after the season has begun may receive participation points if they participate at least 50% of the season.

- **Interscholastic Sports:**

### **Fall**

1. Football
2. Girls Volleyball
3. Cross Country
4. Water Polo
5. Girl's Tennis
6. Girl's Golf

### **Winter**

1. Basketball
2. Gymnastics
3. Wrestling
4. Soccer

### **Spring**

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|--------------|--------------------|
| 1. Track     | 5. Swimming/Diving |
| 2. Baseball  | 6. Boys Volleyball |
| 3. Softball  | 7. Girls Badminton |
| 4. Boys Golf | 8. Boy's Tennis    |

- **Pep and Cheer Squad**

(\*Signed off by Mrs. Ostrander-Room D-5 or LD over Pep & Cheer)

Students will receive 2 points for participating on the Kastner Pep or Cheer Squad for the entire school year. Students will receive one additional point for participating on a Competition Squad and one more point will be awarded for winning at a national competition (maximum of **4 points** possible per year).

- **Colorguard/Winterguard**

(\*Signed off by Miss Sledd- Bandroom)

**Three points** will be awarded for participation in Colorguard. One additional point will be awarded for participation in both Colorguard and Winterguard. (Maximum of **4 points** possible per year).

- **Multicultural Dance Groups**

(\*Signed off by Miss Cerda P-8)

Students will receive **2 points** for participation in any of the school's multicultural dance groups and performing at various school activities and in school assemblies (maximum of **4 points** possible per year).

- **Physical Education - Physical Performance Testing**

(\*Signed off by Student's PE Teacher)

*Please note:* Students **MUST** have a grade of 75% or higher in P.E. to earn the Thunderbird award regardless of physical fitness testing points earned and/or total Thunderbird points earned. Students who have a physical condition that prohibits P.E. participation should consult their Learning Director or Guidance Instructional Assistant and P.E. Teacher for a waiver. Verification from a medical doctor will be required for a waiver.

**Grade Level**

**4 points** -are earned if the student earns grade level on **ALL** five of the district performances tests during the official assessment window. Practice times and efforts cannot be used to qualify for these points.

**Superintendent**

**8 points** -if the student earns the superintendent's award (85th percentile on both components (pull-ups and distance run) of the test, **and** grade level on the remaining components of the district physical fitness assessment.



## **BODY Category: Effort**

- **Attendance**

(\*Signed off by Ms. Wigger, Registration / Attendance Office).

Students will receive 6 points for the first semester if they have 0 absences (absences are calculated per period) and 4 points if they have less than 6 absences and 2 points if they have no more than 12 absences. Students will not receive points for any semester in which they have a full day unexcused absence.

Students will receive 6 points for the second semester if they have 0 absences (absences are calculated per period) and 4 points if they have less than 6 absences and 2 points if they have no more than 12 absences by the twelve-week reporting period (maximum of 12 points possible per year). Students will not receive points for any semester in which they have a full day unexcused absence.

- **Citizenship**

(\*Signed off by Mrs. Alba in the Thunder Cluster).

Students will earn 2 points for the first semester if they receive 0 conduct referrals.

Students will earn 2 points for the second semester if they receive 0 conduct referrals by the twelve-week reporting period. (A total of 4 points may be earned in this area per year)

**Minimum Points Needed in BODY Category**  
**= 6 points**  
**(+75% Passing Grade in P.E.)**

# **SPIRIT: Character Education**

## **Personal Service to Others**

- **School Service**

(Signed off by Mr. Castle J-5 After verification of completed documentation)

**One point** (a maximum of **5 points**) will be awarded for documented school service either at Kastner Intermediate or a CW Area school in increments of 5 hours. For example, a student who has provided 5 hours of documented school service would receive one point, another point would be awarded for hours of service that equal 10 hours, continuing up to 5 points for 25 hours of service. School service activities are to be completed outside of a student's regularly scheduled coursework. (Work used as "extra credit" will not count as service hours toward this award.)

**Note:** One of the easiest ways to earn School Service hours is to check with our area Clovis West Area Elementary schools; Pinedale, Liberty, Valley Oak, Maple Creek, Lincoln, Nelson, Ft. Washington and also Clovis West High School, or even Clovis Swim Club, to see when their carnivals, movie nights, drama productions or other events on campus are taking place, so you can volunteer to help with setting up chairs, helping at booths, or anything they may help with. You could also ask their school Office Manager (Elementary Schools) if there are any tutoring needs. Clovis Unified always has sporting events going on. Our annual Track Meet at Veterans Memorial Stadium (BHS) or even the Doc B. Wrestling Tournament to volunteer for service hours there as well. Check in Lightning to see when those events are taking place so you can go earn school service, this would also count as community service. Kastner has Dances, Performances, Sports, or other special events you may volunteer to help at as well, check with Mr. Castle to see if he needs any assistance. The library always needs help, check with Mrs. Bukilica. Students who serve as a Teacher Assistant (TA) during their elective class earn a grade for the class. These students must earn School Service points outside of their regular TA elective class time.

**Students earning points under this category must submit a completed School Service Form.** Your form will be reviewed by teachers, and administrators, to determine if the activity qualifies for points in this area (maximum of five points possible per year).

Volunteer time must be provided to the school, or to an individual staff member, outside of regular school hours (ex.: management for a school sports team), without compensation to the student. All Clovis West area schools qualify for school service. All hours must be logged on to the School Service Form and a faculty member or advisor must verify the nature of the service provided and the total number of hours logged.

**\*\*It is recommended that students speak to their Cluster Office early in the school year to verify if the time they plan on providing would qualify as true "School Service". Students should not assume any activity automatically qualifies.**

- **Community Service**

**One point** (*A maximum of 5 points*) will be awarded for each 5 hours of documented community service. (5 hours = 1 point) For example, a student who has provided 5 hours of documented community service would receive one point; another point would be awarded for hours of service equaling 10 hours, continuing up to 5 points for 25+ hours of service. Community service activities might include, but are not limited to:

- ✓ Boy or Girl Scouts activities that provide members the opportunity to volunteer their time at an event without pay or compensation. This does not include regular weekly meetings.
- ✓ Community or church groups that provide members the opportunity to volunteer their time at an event without pay or compensation, an example could be 'World Changers', they do community clean up and simple yardwork, house painting or cleaning with a youth group at your local church.
- ✓ Volunteering at a local hospital or other health organization, when permitted. Reading to the elderly in retirement communities.
- ✓ Volunteering at a school site, including Clovis West Feeder Schools (hours must be "declared" as Community Service and ***not repeated*** for School Service hours).
- ✓ Volunteering for a health-related telethon, march/run, etc. (i.e., March of Dimes, Muscular Dystrophy, United Cerebral Palsy, etc.)
- ✓ Volunteering at an animal shelter, to feed, clean cages, or help at the shelter under the supervision of the professionals that work there.
- ✓ Making or collecting items for homeless shelters, or people in need (i.e., Marjaree Mason Center, Poverello House, Fresno Mission, Terry's House, Ronald McDonald House, Habitat for Humanity).

**\*\*Examples of what DOES NOT qualify as Community Service:**

Working at a family member's business, babysitting, because this is not a service to the community, you are being paid to do this. If you help a neighbor, who may be unable to do things for themselves, this would be considered community service, you are 'serving', or 'volunteering' to serve another person, or persons.

Students earning points under this category must submit a completed **Community Service Form**. (Need more forms? See Mrs. Calderon in the Lightning Cluster Office). Your form will be reviewed by teachers, and administrators, if necessary, to determine if the activity qualifies for points in this area (maximum of **5 points (25 hours)** possible per year).

### Note of Clarification Concerning Community Service Points

Volunteer time must be provided to a “non-profit” organization without compensation to the student. All hours must be logged on to the Community Service Form and a **NON-FAMILY** supervisor or advisor must verify the nature of service provided and the total number of hours logged.

It is recommended that students speak to their Learning Director early in the school year to verify if the time they plan on providing would qualify as true “Community Service”. Students should not assume an activity automatically qualifies.

**Points Needed in SPIRIT Category = 10 points**

## **Additional Points Required**

- **Additional Points**

If students earned the minimum number of points required in each category, they would have earned 24 points. This is **not** enough points to earn the Thunderbird Award. **This is where the extracurricular; School Service and Community Service points add those extra points to qualify for the award. (1 point per 5 hours - for School Service and Community Service.)**

Students must earn at least 10 additional points to earn the award. These additional points may be earned from any of the categories; however, the minimum point requirement must be earned in **ALL** categories. For example, all 34 points cannot be earned in the Mind category. Each category has a minimum point requirement that needs to be met in order to achieve the Thunderbird Award. This is why this particular award is a very notable award at Kastner. This award focuses on the best all-around student, in MIND, BODY, & SPIRIT. Which is the Clovis Unified moto; “Excellence in Mind, Body and Spirit”.

# School Service Verification form

## Kastner Intermediate School Thunderbird Award

The student listed below is applying for School Service Credit for Kastner Intermediate School's "Thunderbird Award." We are asking that the teacher/staff member listed below verify the student's completion of volunteer service hours as defined by the "Guidelines for Earning the Thunderbird Award" handbook (All service hours must be without compensation, done during non-school hours and at a CW Area feeder school - work done for "extra credit" will not count toward the Thunderbird award.)

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### **Kastner Student Information:**

Name of Student Performing Service: \_\_\_\_\_

AB Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Total time volunteered during school year (See back of this form): \_\_\_\_\_ Hours.

### **General Description of School Service Provided:**

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Student Signature

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Date

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### **Teacher/Staff Member Verification:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_

*I verify that this student provided the School Service as described (see back).*

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Teacher/Staff Member Signature

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Date

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# Kastner Intermediate Thunderbird Award

(Kastner or Clovis West Area feeder schools ONLY)

## School Service Time Log

A detailed description of all School Service hours logged is required before points will be awarded for the School Service (Spirit) portion of the Thunderbird Award. Please complete the time log below and transfer the "Number of Hours" from the "Totals" line to the other side of this form (hours need to be accumulated during non-school hours).

**One form should be used for EACH teacher/staff member you provided service to.**

You can get additional copies of this form from the Lightning Cluster Office.

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Name of Teacher/Staff Member to Whom Service Was Provided

Date of Service	Description of School Service Provided	Number of Hours
Total Number of School Service Hours Provided:		

# **Community Service Verification Form**

## **Kastner Intermediate School Thunderbird Award**

The student listed below is applying for Service Credit for Kastner Intermediate School's "Thunderbird Award." We are asking that the sponsor or advisor (**non-family member**) listed below verify the student's completion of volunteer service hours as defined by the "Guideline For Earning the Thunderbird Award" handbook (All service hours must be without compensation and must be provided to a "non-profit" group or organization.)

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### **Kastner Student Information:**

Name of Student Performing Service: \_\_\_\_\_

AB Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Total time volunteered during school year (See back of this form): \_\_\_\_\_ Hours.

### **General Description of Community Service Provided:**

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Student Signature

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Date

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### **Sponsor/Advisor Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Position/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone Number (For possible clarification/verification) \_\_\_\_\_

*I verify that this student provided the Community Service as described (see back).*

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Sponsor/Advisor Signature

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Date

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# Kastner Intermediate Thunderbird Award

## Community Service Time Log

A detailed description of all Community Service hours logged is required before points will be awarded for the Community Service (Spirit) portion of the Thunderbird Award. Please complete the time log below and transfer the "Number of Hours" from the "Totals" line to the other side of this form.

One form should be used for EACH organization you provided service to. You can get additional copies of this form from the respective 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade Cluster office.

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Name of Non-Profit Organization to Whom Service Was Provided

Date of Service	Description of Community Service Provided	Number of Hours
Total Number of Community Service Hours Provided:		



# KASTNER INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL THUNDERBIRD AWARD

Name \_\_\_\_\_ AB Teacher \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

MIND			
Scholarship	1 <sup>st</sup> Sem.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sem.	Advisor's Signature
Principals Honor (6)			
High Honor Roll (4)			
Honor Roll (3)			
Academic Growth (2)			
MIND: Total Scholarship Points:			
CISF (1-3)			
Writing Contest (1, 4)			
Poster/Art Contest (1, 4)			
History Day (2, 4, 6)			
Science Fair/Olym. (2, 4)			
Honor Classes (2, 4)			
Robotics Team (2, 4)			
Spell Off (1, 2)			
Reader's Award (1, 2, 3)			
Band (3/4)			
Jazz Band (3/4)			
Orchestra (3/4)			
Choir (3/4)			
Percussion (3/4)			
Honor Music Groups (1,2)			
PASA (1)			
Senator/ASB			
Art Award (1-4)			
Drama (1-4)			
Yearbook/Journalism (1, 2)			
Peer Counselor/Mentor (2)			
Student of the Month (2)			
TEAM Leaders (1)			
Leadership/Sch. Service (3)			
MIND: Co-Curricular Total Points:			

BODY																							
Physical Activities	Points Earned	Advisor's Signature																					
Fall Athletics (2, 3)																							
Winter Athletics (2, 3)																							
Spring Athletics (2, 3)																							
Pep and Cheer Squads (2-4)																							
Colorguard / Winterguard (3,4)																							
Multi-Cultural Dance (2)																							
Physical Performance Testing (PEA) (4, 8)																							
BODY: Physical Activity Total Points:																							
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<p><b>Note:</b></p> <p>Physical Education Requirement</p> <p>Students MUST have a grade of 75% or higher in their P.E. class to earn the Thunderbird Award.</p>																							
PE Teacher's Signature & Clearance																							
<p><b>Total Points in Physical Activity + Effort Categories:</b></p>																							

SPIRIT CHARACTER EDUCATION		
Personal Service To others	Points Earned	Advisor's Signature
School Service (1- 5)		
Form MUST be attached for credit		
Community Service (1- 5)		
Form MUST be attached for credit		
SPIRIT: Personal Service Total Points:		

AWARD POINT SUMMARY		
Category	Minimum Points	Points Earned
MIND – Scholarship	6	
MIND – Co-curricular	6	
BODY – Physical + Effort	6	
SPIRIT – Personal Service	6	
10 points combined from the above spirit categories	10	
❖ Total Points:	34	

❖ Students must earn a total of thirty-four (34) points (sample on the left-hand column) or more while meeting the minimum requirements in each category to earn the Thunderbird Award.

Student's Signature

AB Teacher's Signature

*Note: The Thunderbird Award is the most prestigious award presented at Kastner. Recipients should represent the "Best of the Best" in terms of academic success, character, and behavior. With this in mind, students who have been suspended during the school year are not eligible to earn the Thunderbird Award - regardless of total points earned.*