



LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL OF ST. CHARLES COUNTY

Equipping Students for Lives of Christian Service

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To: LHS Students and Parents

Re: Missouri A+ Schools Program

Lutheran High has been approved as a Missouri A+ School by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE). This approval began with the Class of 2017.

The state of Missouri has established the following requirements to qualify as an A+ student:

1. Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident.
2. Enter into a written agreement with your high school prior to graduation.
3. Graduate from an A+ certified high school with an overall GPA average of 2.5 or higher.
4. Achieve an ACT math score of 17 or higher.
5. Have at least a 95% attendance record overall for grades 9-12.
6. Complete at least 50 hours of unpaid tutoring/mentoring, of which up to 25% may include job shadowing prior to graduation.
7. Maintain a record of good citizenship and avoid the unlawful use of drugs and/or alcohol while in grades 9-12.

Students must complete an A+ Agreement form by October 1 of their senior year. Activities that qualify for the 50 hours of tutoring/mentoring requirement are:

- Any activity in which a Lutheran HS student serves as a mentor/leader/tutor of other students. This could include:
 - Tutoring students at Lutheran High School or at any of our elementary feeder schools
 - Robotics Outreach Program
 - Sunday School or VBS leader
 - Leadership position in community agencies (library reader for children, etc)

The qualifier for each of these activities is that the LHS student should be **working directly with another student and providing instruction or assistance to that student**. Clerical or other non-contact duties do not count towards the hours required. 12.5 hours of the 50 hour requirement can include a job-shadowing experience. Students need permission in advance for the job shadowing experience to be included.

The A+ program is designed to assist students with tuition and fees at Missouri community and public technical colleges. A number of Missouri four year colleges have implemented their own recognition awards for A+ students. A list of these schools and the awards they offer can be found in eBackpack.

Please contact the Student Services office if you have additional questions.

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