



**PROTOCOL GOVERNING THE AWARDING OF
COLOURS AND HONOURS**

Colours guidelines that will apply from the beginning of 2010 ...

Team sports:

Of primary importance will be the success / failure (in terms of results) of the team during the season. An individual's excellence, attitude and commitment within the team as opposed to simply participation in the 1st team is paramount.

While selection for Regional and provincial teams is taken into account this is not a guarantee for Highbury awards.

Recipients must be regular members of the Highbury 1st team and must be in either Grade 6 or Grade 7.

Individual Sports:

A primary guideline in making awards in individual sports will be the person's ranking, times or where he is placed in events during the season. The recipient must meet qualifying guidelines, but may compete in either the U12 or U13 / Open age groups.

Recipients must be regular members of the Highbury 1st or 'A' team.

1. Honours

Honours are awarded to boys who, in the opinion of the coach and the Colours' committee, have made an excellent effort in promoting a particular sport and who have achieved an outstanding standard.

A boy's attitude and character may influence the decision to award Honours.

The following guidelines as to a boy's eligibility as an Honours recipient will be considered:

- South African Schools selection in either age group or
- KZN Schools 'A' team selection in either age group

2. Colours

Colours are awarded to boys who, in the opinion of the coach and the Colours' committee, have made a fine effort in promoting a particular activity and who have achieved a high standard. A boy's attitude and character may influence the decision to award Colours

The following guidelines as to a boy's eligibility as a Colours recipient will be considered :

- Selection as Captain of a 1st team for the duration of the season or
- Is in the starting lineup of the 1st team or 'A' team for 90% of the season or
- KZN Schools 'B' and 'C' team selection in either age group

3. Team Award: (Half-Colours to be discontinued)

The team award will be presented to 1st team players or senior 'A' team players once they have:

- Represented the 1st team on five occasions, ie five 1st team caps
- Played three times in the senior 'A' team of individual sporting codes. Each code will need to be considered separately and the number of 'qualifying games' clearly understood by all parties prior to the start of a given season.

Athletics: Qualifying Standards ... to be set out below ...

Swimming: Qualifying Standards ... to be set out below ...

ATHLETICS COLOURS – QUALIFYING STANDARDS

U/12	
Event	Qualification
1200m	367.00 and faster
800m	234.00 and faster
150m	29.00 and faster
100m	14.00 and faster
Hurdles	14.00 and faster
High Jump	1.31 and higher
Long Jump	5.00 and further
Cricket Ball Throw	52.15 and further
Shot-put	10.14 and further
Javelin	24.24 and further

U/13	
Event	Qualification
1200m	366.00 and faster
800m	230.00 and faster
150m	27.00 and faster
100m	13.00 and faster
Hurdles	13.00 and faster
High Jump	1.43 and higher
Long Jump	4.77 and further
Cricket Ball Throw	67.32 and further
Shot-put	10.09 and further
Javelin	35.63 and further

In addition to the guidelines as already set out above that refer to representation or participation, the following will also apply:

Team Award:

The team award will be presented to senior 'A' team players once they have:

1. Participated twice for the senior 'A' Athletics team.

Full Colours:

1. If an athlete has come within 5% of the set criteria in two or more events.
2. Won two events at the Inter Prep Athletics meeting.

Honours:

1. Break a record at the Inter Prep Athletics meeting.
2. Win three events at the Inter Prep Athletics meeting.

SWIMMING COLOURS – QUALIFYING STANDARDS

	Medley	Fly	Breast	Back	Free
U13 Honours (2 honours & 2 colours minimum)	82	36	42	38	32
Colours U13 (pts in 3 events - qualify in 2)	85	40	44	41	34
U12 Honours (2 honours & 2 colours minimum)	82	36	42	38	32
Colours U13 (pts in 3 events - qualify in 2)	86	41	45	42	35

In addition to the criteria as already set out above that refer to representation or participation, the following will also apply:

Honours:

- a) A swimmer must have swum under the required standard Honours times in at least two individual races. In addition,
- b) A swimmer must have scored points in at least 3 'A' individual races.

Colours:

- a) An U12 or U13 swimmer will need to swim under the standard Colours times as indicated in the table above in at least two events during the annual Inter-House individual gala.
- b) In addition, a swimmer must have scored points in at least 3 'A' individual races.

Finally:

- Colours will be awarded only once the Colours committee has sat, deliberated and discussed at length every boy who might be eligible.

- Boys who are selected to represent P and D will be considered alongside of any other 1st team or 'A' team player.
- Boys will, however, be recognized and congratulated on their P and D achievements in Chapel, with a certificate, and a special mention in the Highbury newsletter (with photographs)
- There is no favouritism, prejudice one way or the other, or bias when awarding colours or honours
- No discussion or debate will be entered into with parents following the awarding of colours or honours at the end of a given season.
