

NYSSRA Scholar/Athlete Team Award Program (SATAP) Overview

Who is eligible to apply?

- Teams/clubs with a minimum of 9 Varsity rowers. *
 - This is a Varsity team award for students in grades 10, 11 and 12. Junior Varsity, Freshmen, 9th grade and Modified teams and rowers are NOT eligible.
 - Recognition requires a Team Grade Point Average (TGPA) of 90.000% or above.
 - All students listed on the Nomination Form must be eligible Varsity competitors with the exception of injured rowers.
 - Co-ed teams are not recognized. Girls and boys should be listed separately and will be considered as two teams.
- * At this time no team with fewer than nine (9) Varsity rowers may apply.

When must Nomination Forms be submitted and to whom?

- Nomination Forms should be postmarked, faxed or emailed by: **Fall:** 1st Friday in December **Spring:** 3rd Friday in May
- Nomination Forms postmarked, faxed or emailed more than 15 calendar days beyond the deadlines described above may not be reviewed prior to the end of the school year.
- Submit Nomination Forms to the NYSSRA SATAP Committee via school officials:

By mail: NYSSRA Scholar/Athlete Team Award Program c/o Connie Trigger 2208 Grand Boulevard Niskayuna, NY 12309	By fax: (518)381-4508	By email NYSSRAscholars@gmail.com
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- Keep a copy of submitted nomination forms for your reference and files. Acknowledgement of your submission will be sent to the Head Coach using the email contact information you provide.

How do teams/clubs apply to be considered for Scholar/Athlete Team recognition?

- First, a team/club representative must fill out the roster portion of the nomination form sent to coaches by NYSSRA, found on the NYSSRA website or requested by emailing NYSSRAscholars@gmail.com.
- Next, the form should be turned over to the appropriate school official for GPA information to be added.
- Nomination forms should be submitted to the NYSSRA SATAP Committee by school officials to protect the confidentiality of rowers' GPAs.
- Submit a \$10 processing fee for each team you are nominating. **Make checks payable to NYSSRA SATAP.** (Nominating a Varsity girls team AND a Varsity boys team should be counted as two teams.)
- Does your team have rowers from more than one school? List rowers by school using one nomination form per school, making certain that your team name is listed identically on each form. Your lists will be merged by the SATAP committee when they are received from school officials.

How is the Team Grade Point Average (TGPA) calculated?

- Using the roster provided by your coach and GPAs provided by school officials, rowers will be ranked by GPA.
- The top nine GPAs will constitute the Base Team Roster and will be averaged to determine the TGPA.
- Teams with a TGPA of 90.000% or above will qualify for designation as a NYSSRA Scholar/Athlete Team.
- Rowers on the Base Team Roster of those SATAP teams, as well as any additional rowers with individual GPAs of 90.000% or above on those teams, will receive recognition.
- All GPAs should be listed to three (3) decimal places rounded off to the nearest thousandth.
- Weighted grades may not be used.
- The Head Coach of each team nominated or the appropriate school district Athletic Director should review the names of the team members listed on nomination forms to verify eligibility.
- GPAs of each student listed should be verified by their principal or appropriate school district official.

How are Scholar/Athlete Award Teams recognized?

- Rowers listed on the Base Team Roster of qualifying teams, as well as additional rowers listed who have a GPA of 90.000% or above, will receive a NYSSRA Scholar/Athlete pin.
- A NYSSRA Scholar/Athlete Team certificate will be provided to each qualifying team.
- NYSSRA Scholar/Athlete Teams will be listed on the NYSSRA website.

For questions relating to any aspect of the NYSSRA Scholar/Athlete Team Award Program contact Connie Trigger at NYSSRAscholars@gmail.com or (518)381-9407.