

**DUNWOODY HIGH SCHOOL PTSO  
OUTSTANDING CITIZENSHIP SENIOR AWARD  
2014 - 2015**

The PTSO Outstanding Citizenship Senior Award is open to all DHS graduating seniors, giving each an opportunity to share accomplishments in school, with family, in the community, and in the workplace.

For the purpose of this award, citizenship is defined as one or more of the following:

- contributions to the family, school, community, the environment through volunteer efforts
- specific behavior or actions which put others first, including exceptional examples of sportsmanship in athletic or academic activities
- exceptional acts in coming to the assistance of those in need
- overcoming the odds, moving beyond significant hardships or family or societal difficulties to enhance the quality of life for others.

Applicants should be well-rounded, balanced individuals who exhibit maturity. Evidence of drive and ambition are also a consideration.

Award recipients will be selected based on the following criteria:

- PTSO Member in good standing (please email [SuzieMartin@comcast.net](mailto:SuzieMartin@comcast.net) to verify membership status)
- Graduation at the end of the current school year with good academic standing
- Participation in at least one school activity
- Contributions to family, school, and community
- Promotion of good citizenship and sportsmanship
- One letter of support, from a non-family member with knowledge of the applicant's contributions to citizenship
- One teacher letter of recommendation.

**The Dunwoody High School PTSO will award \$1000.00 each to two graduating seniors.**

## **INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS**

Applications must be filled out completely and returned in a sealed envelope to Ms. Love in the Dunwoody High School Counseling Office no later than **Friday, January 30, 2015.**

- 1. IMPORTANT! PTSO membership during the 2014-2015 school year is required. Confirm with PTSO Treasurer ([SuzieMartin@comcast.net](mailto:SuzieMartin@comcast.net)) that you are a current member this year.**
- 2. Application MUST include a current copy of your high school transcript, available through the DHS Counseling Office. The DHS Counseling Office will automatically pull your transcript (without you requesting a transcript) when you turn in the application to the DHS Counseling Office.**

**IF THESE TWO CONDITIONS ARE NOT MET, YOUR APPLICATION WILL BE INVALID FOR SCORING.**

- ❖ All valid applications will be scored using a point system by the PTSO Outstanding Citizenship Award Committee.
- ❖ Clearly printed applications required.
- ❖ All finalists will have a personal interview with an independent panel selected by the PTSO. Finalists will be notified of an interview appointment set for the morning of March 6, 2015.
- ❖ Finalists will be asked to provide one teacher recommendation prior to the interview. Recommendations can be from any DHS staff member who has acted as a club sponsor, coach or classroom instructor.
- ❖ Finalists will be asked to provide one letter from a non-family member with knowledge of applicant's contribution to citizenship.
- ❖ Failure to keep the interview appointment will remove the finalist from the process.
- ❖ The decision of the independent interview panel and the PTSO Outstanding Citizenship Award Committee is final.

The two PTSO Outstanding Citizenship Senior Award winners will be notified by the end of March 2015 with awards presented at the spring Honors Day Program at Dunwoody High School in May.

Questions? Contact: Kathy Brainard, [kathybrainard@bellsouth.net](mailto:kathybrainard@bellsouth.net).

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PTSO OUTSTANDING CITIZENSHIP SENIOR AWARD  
For the 2014 – 2015 Academic Year**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
                    **Last**                                    **First**                                    **Middle**

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
                    **Street**

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
                    **City**                                    **State**                                    **Zip Code**

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT(S) OR GUARDIAN \_\_\_\_\_

I have confirmed my PTSO MEMBERSHIP:    YES   

**\* NOTE: PTSO MEMBERSHIP IS A *REQUIREMENT* FOR AWARD**

**Please list the Academy/Academies you studied:**

**UNIVERSITIES, COLLEGES, TECHNICAL OR VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS WHERE  
APPLICANT WILL OR MAY CONSIDER APPLYING:**

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

## **ACADEMICS**

Please list all of the DHS academic accomplishments you have achieved through the end of 1<sup>st</sup> semester senior year.

**Your Cumulative GPA as of the end of 1st Semester Senior Year: \_\_\_\_\_**

<b>Accomplishment</b>	<b>Year Taken (eg. Fall 2012, Summer 2013)</b>
	<b>Freshman: Fall 2011</b>
	<b>Junior: Spring 2013</b>
	<b>Senior: Fall 2014</b>
	<b>Sophomore: Spring 2012</b>
	<b>Junior: Summer 2013</b>

## SCHOOL ACTIVITIES & CLUBS

In order of importance to you, please list your high school activities (academic, arts, athletic, and service clubs). Also list any positions held.

<b>Activity/Club</b>	<b>Position(s) Held</b>	<b>Years of Involvement</b>
<b>EXAMPLE: DHS SGA</b>	<b>President - Senior Year Treasurer - Junior Year Member - Freshman &amp; Soph. Year</b>	<b>2014-2015 - 1 year 2013-2014 - 1 year 2011-2013 - 2 years</b>

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

In order of importance to you, please list the community/faith/scouting organizations, activities, volunteering, or projects in which you have been involved during high school. Briefly describe the activity and estimate your time commitment. Please do not include community activities associated with DHS club or DHS sport sponsored community service.

<b>Organization/Activity</b>	<b>Describe Your Role</b>	<b>When &amp; How Many Hours/Day/Wk/Month</b>
<b>Example:</b> Habitat for Humanity	Help with material purchases and site construction	Senior Year 2014-2015: 5 Hours/Month Junior Year: 2013-2014: 2 Hours/Month
<b>Example:</b> High Meadows Camp	Counselor in Training (CIT)	Freshman Year: Summer 2012 for 3 weeks - 8 Hours/Day Sophomore Year: Summer 2013 for 6 weeks - 8 Hours/Day

Boy Eagle Scout:  YES Describe project: \_\_\_\_\_

Girl Scout Gold Award:  YES Describe project: \_\_\_\_\_

## **PAID WORK EXPERIENCE**

Please list all paid work experience during your high school years.

<b>Name of Employer</b>	<b>Positions Held</b>	<b>When &amp; How Many Hours/Day/Wk/Month</b>
<b>Example: High Meadows Camp</b>	<b>Paid Camp Counselor</b>	<b>Junior Year: Summer 2014 6 weeks for 8 hours/day</b>
<b>Example: Chick-fil-A</b>	<b>Cashier</b>	<b>All Junior Year: 2013-2014 for 2 Hours/Wk All Senior Year: 2014-2015 for 5 Hours/Wk</b>
<b>Example: Marcus Jewish Community Center</b>	<b>Lifeguard</b>	<b>Sophomore Year: Summer 2013 3 weeks for 6 Hours/Wk</b>
<b>List Various Families</b>	<b>Babysitter</b>	<b>All Junior Year: 2013-2014 for 4 Hours/3 times per Month</b>

**ESSAY (the essay needs to be 1 page long)**

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or academic activities or exceptional acts in coming to the assistance of those in need; and/or
- . overcoming the odds, moving beyond significant hardships or family or societal difficulties to enhance the quality of life for others.

Describe what you have done that meets one or more of the definitions of citizenship. Describe your contributions in specific detail and explain how others have benefited. How has your time at Dunwoody High School helped you? Either type or clearly print the one page essay.



