

SECTION 5 – ACTIVITIES

HS.5.01 – EXTRACURRICULAR

Students have the right to develop a school organization as long as that organization maintains democratic principles of membership, and its purpose does not interfere with the educational process, interfere with the safety of students, significantly interrupt class time, or significantly affect attendance. The school will develop a set of procedures to charter new organizations, when necessary. Students may not be denied membership to an organization because of race, color, creed, or sex.

HS.5.02 – STUDENT GROUPS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Arkansas Youth Shooting Sports

An organization associated with the Arkansas Game & Fish Commission which is focused on providing a safe environment for participation in shooting sports. Open to students in grades 9-12 who have accumulated & maintain a 2.0 GPA.

Sponsor(s): Mrs Dement

Band

The Vilonia High School Band is composed of students in grades 10 -12 who wish to participate in instrumental music.

Sponsor(s):Mr. Nichols

Beta Club

A national organization whose purpose is the promotion of character, honesty, service, and leadership. A student must be a sophomore or above, have a B average or above, be approved by the faculty, administration, and present Beta Club membership, and receive an invitation. The requirements are reviewed each term for each member.

Sponsor(s): Mrs. Atkins and Mrs. Coleman

Choir

The Vilonia High School Choir is composed of students in grade ten through twelve who wish to participate in choral music.

Sponsor(s): Ms. Rust

Crew

VHS CREW is a service-minded, positivity club dedicated to encouraging school spirit and improving our school environment through offering events such as game nights and movie nights often in conjunction with other clubs. CREW also spreads school spirit by creating banners & posters supporting other clubs, sports, and activities. The CREW also helps with events such as the Miss Vilonia Pageant, which benefits the library, and homecoming/prom dress sales which help the Vilonia Checkout Closet and library.

Sponsor(s): Mrs. Atkins

Drama Club

For any students who support Choir, Band, Music, Art and Drama. Participate in yearly productions and community service projects.

Sponsor(s): Mrs. Wimberly

FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America)

A national organization for all students enrolled in business programs in high school. The activities of FBLA provide an opportunity for business students to prepare for business and office occupations. Some of the purposes of FBLA are to develop competent, aggressive business leadership, strengthen the confidence of young men and women themselves and their work, develop character, prepare for useful citizenship, and foster patriotism.

Sponsor(s): Mrs. McWilliams and Mrs. Gray

FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes)

An organization that promotes Christian lifestyles in students by helping to nurture growth & maturity of character. Peer & volunteer efforts will be utilized in various activities of FCA.

Sponsor(s): Coach Wallace and Mr. Rice

FCCLA (Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America)

An organization whose purpose is the development of leadership and to encourage participation in activities that has to do with homemaking. Requirements for membership are that the student must currently be enrolled in Family and Consumer Science or have had one year of Family and Consumer Science.

Sponsor(s): Mrs. Stroud and Mrs. Ramsey

FFA (Future Farmers of America)

An organization designed to broaden student knowledge of the work and leadership in agriculture and related occupations. Requirements for membership are that the student must currently be enrolled in Vocational Agriculture or have completed all of the agriculture courses offered.

Sponsor(s): Mr. Dewey, Mrs. Dement, and Mr. Marek

HOSA (Health Occupations Students Association)

Students enrolled in Health Science Technology courses are encouraged to join HOSA. Dues are \$15 annually, which affiliates the student with local, state, and national HOSA membership. HOSA has both state and national leadership conferences and competitions that offer participants training and scholarship opportunities.

Sponsor(s): Mrs. Lewis

Yearbook

Publishes the yearbook which records a history of the school year. Staff membership is open to all high school students. Members are asked to start work on the yearbook the summer prior to the school year.

Sponsor(s): Mrs Megan Johnson

Quiz Bowl

Quiz bowl is a game in which two teams compete head-to-head to answer questions from all areas of knowledge.

Sponsor(s): Mrs. Cauthen and Mrs. Thomas

Spanish

The purpose of the Spanish Club is to foster interest in the Latino culture and to provide an opportunity to speak Spanish in an informal setting.

Sponsor(s): Mrs. Melton and Mrs. Reid

Student Council

The student council, representing the student body, serves as a forum of free expression of student opinion and as a channel for cooperation between the faculty and students. Members must be regularly enrolled in school and must not have been involved in any out of school suspensions for the past two semesters. All senior officers and class representatives for the next school year are elected in the spring by the student body. To be a candidate for an officer position, a student must file a petition consisting of 25 student signatures and five teacher signatures and meet the requirements of membership. The officer candidates must be a Junior, have a 2.5 GPA or above for the previous school year, and maintain that average for the year of office. The candidates for representatives must be going into the grade they are running for, have a 2.5 GPA or above for the previous school year, and maintain that average for the year of office. Refer to the student council handbook for more information on the council, duties, and requirements.

Sponsor(s): Mrs. Pettigrew

Technology Student Organization

Enhances personal development, leadership and career opportunities in STEM, whereby members apply and integrate these concepts through intracurricular activities, competitions and related programs.

Sponsor(s): Mrs. Conway

HS.5.03 – ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES

Baseball (boys)	EAST	Soccer (boys and girls)
Basketball (boys and girls)	Football (boys)	Softball (girls)
Bowling (boys and girls)	Golf (boys and girls)	Swimming (boys and girls)
Cheer	Rodeo	Tennis (boys and girls)
Cross Country (boys and girls)	Service Learning	Track (boys and girls)
		Volleyball (girls)

HS.5.04 – ATHLETIC AWARDS

A student who completes the requirement for lettering will receive a letter. However, only one letter will be awarded during junior high school, and only one letter will be awarded during high school. A sport insignia will be awarded to indicate the sport in which the letter was awarded.

- 1. Requirements for Lettering**
 - a.** Must attend all practices and games unless excused by the coach or principal.
 - b.** Must complete the season as a team member in good standing.
- 2. Senior High Awards** - In addition to the letter provided by the school, the athlete may purchase, at his own expense, the awards appropriated for each sport they are members of.
- 3. Senior Athletic Plaques** - Senior plaques will be awarded to senior students who have participated and satisfactorily completed three consecutive years in one or more sports during their 10th, 11th, and 12th grades. Students having injury or other extenuating circumstances will have their particular situation reviewed by an athletic committee who will determine their status. The athletic committee will consist of the principal, athletic director, and head coach.

HS.5.05 – MUSIC AWARDS

Any student who successfully completes the requirements for lettering will receive a letter for the first year he/she letters in the high school band or choir and a certificate for each year he/she letter in high school band or choir.

- 1. A. Requirements for lettering:** In order to letter in band or choir a student must meet the following requirements:
 - a.** Participate in all performances.
 - b.** If selected, attend All-Region Band or Choir Clinic.
 - c.** *Participate in Solo and Ensemble Contest and receive at least a Second Division rating. Students in the 10th grade must play a solo and receive at least a Second Division rating. Students in the 11th and 12th grades can elect to play a solo or play in an ensemble and receive at least a Second Division rating on one of them.

Exception to the above requirements will be allowed only in the most extenuating circumstances. A committee composed of the High School Principal, the Curriculum Director, and the Band/Choir Director will make the final decision regarding extenuating circumstances on an individual basis. * Band only

- 2. B. Senior High Awards**

In addition to the certificate and letter provided by the Band Boosters/School, students may purchase, at their own expense, the Senior High jacket - gray jacket/red sleeve.