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LIST OF ACHIEVEMENTS

It is important to keep a track record of every achievement, despite the size. This list of achievements serves as a journal of successes you have attained over your life and allows you to track your development. For younger students, you may think that this is insignificant, but it serves as a reflection for you to find means to improve and makes it easier for scholarship applications and the creation of resumes.

What counts as an achievement? Here at Dream Jamaica, every significant single award, certificate, honour, or position count as an achievement that is worth displaying. For example:

Placing 3rd in your Inter-form Competition...that's an achievement

Qualifying for JCDC Finals in a category...that's an achievement that is worth noting

Being the Most Improved Student in your Class

All official school awards, internal and external competitions, awards from your church youth groups and other items of that level within your high school experience can be placed in your list of achievements.

What cannot count as an achievement? Even though, we ask you to reflect and celebrate every small win. For the sake of building a portfolio for scholarships or student leadership positions, you cannot include everything. For example:

- 1. No item from primary-level education should be used unless it is strongly relevant to you as a student. For example, you are in Grade 7-8 and you were a student leader or a high Achiever in Grade 6*
- 2. No item that was expected of you as a student such as passing Mathematics in Grade 7 with a 57% percentage average or the teacher commending you for completing your assignments. (There are other areas in the portfolio to recognize this such as an anecdote in your personal statement.)*



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3. *Graduating from lower school with no disciplinary record. Despite being stellar behaviour and kudos to you, it would not count for this aspect of the portfolio.*

If you are not sure or you have unique circumstances that you feel should count, speak to your coordinator for recommendations and exemptions.

WHAT HAPPENS IF YOU HAVE TOO FEW ACHIEVEMENTS?

There is no need to “beef” it up. You are here to grow and learn to achieve much more of your dreams. You cannot equate your progress to others, and you must work hard to never stop achieving. Practise honesty and do not make false achievements because you will be using this for things outside of the programme.

The list of achievements should be in a tabular form and follow the format in the sample below:

Achievements	Time Period	Description
Sample Achievement	XXXXXX Term-YYYY Form (20ZZ)	Brief description of the award or honour
Upper Tier Blue Report	Easter Term-First Form (2013)	Minimum average of 80% grade with 8 A's with no failing grades and no form of disciplinary blemishes, i.e. no detention, no suspension, etc.
Upper Tier Blue Report	Summer Term-First Form (2013)	Minimum average of 80% grade with 8 A's with no failing grades and no form of disciplinary blemishes, i.e. no detention, no suspension, etc.
Subject Award	First Form (2013)	Receiving over 80% in certain subjects in the end of year exams
John Wolmer Blue Award	First Form (2013)	Receiving two or more Upper Tier Blue Reports in one year