Beginning in the school year of 2017-18 the WSHS Athletic Coaching Staff entered into discussions about the role of Captains and Leadership in our school programs. As a result of these discussions, a consensus was reached by the Athletic Department that beginning with the 2019-20 school year EVERYONE wishing to be considered for the role of Captain on a Varsity athletic team at South High School will need to meet the following criteria:

1. Attend the South Leadership Academy Workshop (SLAW)

\*offered during the summer.

1. If you cannot attend the SLAW you will be required to complete the following online courses offered by the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS):
   1. [Captains Course](https://nfhslearn.com/courses/61028/captains-course)
   2. And any 4 of the following 7:
      1. [Understanding Vaping & E-Cigarettes](https://nfhslearn.com/courses/61169/understanding-vaping-and-e-cigarettes)
      2. [Student Mental Health & Suicide Prevention](https://nfhslearn.com/courses/61160/student-mental-health-and-suicide-prevention)
      3. [Bullying, Hazing, & Inappropriate Behaviors](https://nfhslearn.com/courses/28000/bullying-hazing-and-inappropriate-behaviors)
      4. [Appearance & Performance Enhancing Drugs & Substances](https://nfhslearn.com/courses/61121/appearance-and-performance-enhancing-drugs-and-substances)
      5. [Sports Nutrition](https://nfhslearn.com/courses/61141/sports-nutrition)
      6. [Sportsmanship](https://nfhslearn.com/courses/61130/sportsmanship)
      7. [Social Media for Students](https://nfhslearn.com/courses/61062/social-media-for-students)
2. Upon completion of either #1 or #2 of the above items, the student athletes name will be added to our Athletic Department data base listed as “Eligible for Captain”. This information will be shared with all coaches for their use in selecting Varsity level Captains. **Being on this list does not mean you will be a Captain – it only means you are eligible to be a Captain at WSHS.** \*\*
3. No **Major** Code Violations after the completion of your Freshman School Year which is defined as the end of the second semester in June of your freshman year.

\* The South Leadership Academy Workshop (SLAW) for the summer of 2019 will be offer on Monday, June 17, from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM at South High School. Watch the school announcements and the [goblackshirts.com](https://goblackshirts.com/) website for further details about registration and event details.

\*\*The details of how each program selects their Captains is left up to each individual Coaching Staff and program. This information will be shared with the programs stakeholders at preseason team and parent meetings.