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## STUDENT RECOGNITION PROGRAM

### Background

The Division recognizes that there are standards of excellence attained by students.

The Division will publicly recognize exceptional student accomplishments and achievements on a regular annual basis.

Honour Roll recognition is for academic achievement in core subjects as outlined. This is different from the Rutherford Scholarship which honors diversity in academic achievement. Schools may acknowledge students who achieve the Rutherford Scholarships separately.

STAR Catholic encourages schools to honour students for achievement in other subject areas.

### Definitions

In this procedure, scholarship is a cash award or an appropriate keepsake (medallion).

### Procedures

The Division will financially sponsor the following award at the junior high school level:

#### 1. Honour Roll- Junior High 7-9

Each student who is named to the Honour Roll will receive a scholarship of \$25 or a school memento up to a value of \$25. A memento may not have any cash equivalency such as a gift card or school credit.

An overall average of 80% or more within the grade in English, Religious Studies, Mathematics, Social Studies, and Science. French Language Arts will also be counted if the student is in French Immersion.

The school is to invoice the Division for actual costs.

#### 2. The Division will financially sponsor the following award at the senior high school level:

##### Honour Roll- High School

Each student who is named to the Honour Roll will receive a scholarship of \$50 or a school memento up to a value of \$50. A memento may not have any cash equivalency such as a gift card or school credit. Criteria are as follows:

An overall average of 80% or more within the grade in English, Religious Studies, Mathematics, Social Studies, and one Science.

The school is to invoice the Division for actual costs.

#### 3. Further to this bursary program, the Division is proud to financially sponsor the following academic awards:

##### Division Scholarship

Awarded annually to the graduating Grade 12 student in each high school who has achieved the highest overall average in 35 credits at the 30 level (must

include English and Religious Studies).

Award: School Plaque and \$700

### **100% Club Scholarship- Grade 12**

To any student who achieves 100% on a Provincial Diploma Exam.

Award: \$500 Scholarship

### **Superintendent's Cup**

To the graduating student who has shown the most improvement academically and/or socially and has attended all high school years at a STAR Catholic High School.

Award: Trophy and \$100

Whenever possible, representatives from the Board will be on hand to present the Division scholarship.

- **Governor General's Academic Medal** Sponsored by Government of Canada

To the graduating student who achieves the highest academic standing in the graduating class as per Governor General's Academic Medal Directives below:

A bronze medal is awarded to the student who achieves the highest average upon graduation from a secondary school.

The average includes all grade 11 and grade 12 courses as listed on the student's official Transcript of Grades issued by the ministry of education. The average cannot be anticipated; it must be calculated based on final results after provincial/territorial examinations, where the ministry of education requires final exams.

Equitable access for the entire student population is an important aspect of the medal's value. Regardless of the stream or the subjects chosen, all students are eligible for consideration upon graduation.

Courses taken after graduation to upgrade marks are not to be included. Award: Bronze Medallion

- Schools are encouraged to provide recognition programs for their students. School based student recognition programs are the responsibility of each principal.
- Schools are also encouraged to consider a service project award.
- Principals will advise the Superintendent of students eligible for awards under this procedure NO LATER THAN September 30 of the year following.
- This procedure shall be reviewed every three years at a minimum.

Reference: Section 31,33,52,53,197,222 Education Act  
Governor General Academic Medal Directives Section 8.1, 8.2, 8.3, 8.4