

	ABERDEEN SCHOOL DISTRICT	NEPN Code: JM-R
	POLICIES AND REGULATIONS	

AWARDS POLICY DEFINITIONS, REGULATIONS, AND PROCEDURES

DEFINITIONS

Award is a general designation applied to any citation, trophy, plaque, medal, gift or grant of money presented to a student.

Scholarships are monetary awards made in recognition of academic excellence and general proficiency. They take the form of a monetary allowance towards post-secondary training.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Students who wish to be considered must, where applicable, have met the specified deadline dates for interviews, portfolio evaluation, etc., and must have completed applications on file in the designated office by the applicable due date.

For in-course and general awards assigned on the basis of academic proficiency or leadership, no application is necessary unless indicated in the description of the awards.

REGULATIONS

The aim of the awards system is to encourage as many pupils as possible to strive for high achievement in scholarship and school citizenship. In keeping with the above, general guidelines are as follows:

- The awards program of Aberdeen School District is administered by the Principal of each school under the guidance of the Superintendent or designee.
- The School Board directly authorizes and oversees only those awards whose terms support the interests of the Aberdeen School District.
- There should be a sufficient number of awards to stimulate a large number of students.
- Different pupils should have the opportunity to win awards each year.
- The type of award should vary and relate to the particular grade level.
- The factors deciding the awards should be as clear, concise, and objective as possible.
- Students should be made aware of the awards in a timely manner throughout the school year.
- The presentation of awards is the responsibility of each school in terms of program. The school should develop and administer its own system of award.
- The outstanding performance of students will be recognized and appropriately honored within each school. All students will be informed of the achievement awards for which they are eligible.
- The schools will encourage and cooperate with private donors who wish to reward outstanding student performance through the provision of awards that support the goals of the district.
- The terms and conditions governing awards offered by private donors will be established in writing and must contain provisions for mutually agreed upon procedures for termination of the agreement.
- The professional staff will be responsible for selecting the recipients of all district awards and for maintaining records concerning these awards.
- Students receiving recognition at the city, state, national, and international levels for outstanding performance will be appropriately acknowledged by the school and/or district.

ASSIGNMENT PROCEDURES

Awards administered by each school will be made by the Principal or designee to qualified candidates and may be withheld if no qualified candidates present themselves.

The School Board or school does not guarantee any award other than those created from the funds of the school or district. Those awards that are the gifts of outside donors are awarded only after the funds actually have been received.

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