



SCHOOL DISTRICT NO.10 (ARROW LAKES) POLICY MANUAL

320 – Participation in Graduation Ceremonies

1.0 General

- 1.1 The Board of Education believes that the purpose of a graduation ceremony is to recognize those students who will graduate from secondary school with a Certificate of Graduation (Dogwood Diploma), School Completion Certificate (Evergreen Certificate) or B.C. Adult Graduation Diploma (Adult Dogwood).

2.0 Guidelines

- 2.1 Graduation ceremonies may be held at any appropriate time in a school year to recognize students who become eligible for graduation.
- 2.2 Criteria for participation in graduation ceremonies are:
- 2.2.1 The student must be eligible to graduate and receive the Certificate of Graduation, School Completion Certificate or BC Adult Graduation Diploma in January or June.
 - 2.2.2 Enrollment in distributed learning courses utilized to meet graduation requirements must be approved by the Principal.
 - 2.2.3 The student has not been suspended for a drug/alcohol incident in the current school year.
 - 2.2.4 Rotary (or similar) exchange students who have attended the school as grade 11 or 12 students for at least one semester may also participate in the ceremonies.
- 2.3 Students who have displayed conduct unbecoming of a graduate may be excluded from graduation ceremonies by the Principal.
- 2.4 Grade 10, 11 and 12 students must be made aware of this policy at the beginning of each school year and as appropriate at other times during year by the Principal.
- 2.5 Appeals may be made to the Superintendent of Schools, and then to the Board of Education in accordance with Bylaw Number 4: Appeal Bylaw (Section 11).