



SCHOOL DISTRICT NO.10 (ARROW LAKES) POLICY MANUAL

320 – Participation in Graduation Ceremonies

1 General

- 1.1 The purpose of a graduation ceremony is to formally recognize students who have met the requirements for graduation and are eligible to receive one of the following credentials:
- Certificate of Graduation (Dogwood Diploma),
 - School Completion Certificate (Evergreen Certificate), or
 - B.C. Adult Graduation Diploma (Adult Dogwood).
- 1.2 Participation in a graduation ceremony is a ceremonial privilege and is separate from the granting of a graduation credential.

2 Guidelines

- 2.1 Schools may hold graduation ceremonies at a time determined by the Principal to recognize students who are eligible to graduate.
- 2.2 To participate in a graduation ceremony, a student must:
- Be eligible to graduate by June 30 of the current school year; and
 - Be in good standing with respect to the school's Code of Conduct at the time of the ceremony.
- 2.3 Students enrolled in online learning courses who are eligible to graduate may participate in a graduation ceremony at the District school of their choice, subject to administrative approval.

3 Authorization

- 3.1 School shall ensure that students in Grades 10, 11 and 12 are informed of this policy and any school-specific graduation ceremony expectations at the beginning of each school year.
- 3.2 Decisions regarding participation in a graduation ceremony may be appealed to the Superintendent of Schools, and, if necessary, to the Board of Education in accordance with the Board's Appeal Bylaw.