

Title: **GRADUATION CEREMONIES**

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I. **RATIONALE:**

A. Graduation ceremonies are a way for the school district to recognize the accomplishments of its students meeting Ministry of Education graduation requirements.

II. There are four graduation ceremonies within the school district:

A. Chatelech Secondary School Ceremony

B. Elphinstone Secondary School Ceremony

C. Pender Harbour Secondary Ceremony

D. Sunshine Coast Alternative School Ceremony

III. Students (meeting graduation requirements) are invited to participate in the ceremony from which they attended their final year of schooling.

IV. Sunshine Coast Alternative School students (meeting graduation requirements) are invited to participate in the ceremony where they have the most educational connectedness.

V. Graduation ceremonies must promote recognition of student achievement, involve students and parents in planning and conducting the event, and be arranged within reasonable financial limitations.

VI. The principals of secondary schools with graduating classes shall work together to establish similar school policies on graduation ceremonies and to avoid conflicting dates.

VII. Principals shall discuss expectations (e.g. general conduct, no use of drugs and alcohol) with members of the graduating class and their parents/guardians.

VIII. The ceremonial protocols (Regulation 1060) for graduation ceremonies shall be followed.

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References: Policies 1.3, 4.1.1