

COMMUNITY AND GOVERNMENT SERVICES

PREAMBLE

The Department of Community Government and Services (CGS) supports the goal of Article 23 of the NLCA regarding Inuit employment and the need for education and training. CGS recognizes that academic success in the field of Sciences and Mathematics encourages students to pursue further academic studies that may lead to a successful professional and technical career of choice.

POLICY

It is the Government of Nunavut's policy to support our youth and encourage learning and education opportunities in the Sciences and Mathematics; hence, one high achieving student would receive an award for their respective accomplishment.

PRINCIPLES

This policy is based on the following principles:

- Commitment to the Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit principles of Piliriqatigiinniq/ Ikajuqtigiinniq (working together for a common cause) and Qanuqtuurniq (being innovative and resourceful);
- Recognition of the value of teaching and learning and the subsequent need to celebrate students' success in their studies;
- Recognition of the importance of studying the Sciences and Mathematics to equip young Nunavummiut with the knowledge and skills in preparation for their careers and to help them further their academic studies..

APPLICATION

This policy applies to all high schools in Nunavut with a qualified graduating student in a given year.

DEFINITIONS

Accomplishment in the Sciences and Mathematics – This is determined by the

principal of the school based on academic marks, good attendance and the student's interest in the Sciences and Mathematics over the course of their high school studies.

Eligible to graduate – means a student who has met all the requirements established by the Department of Education to graduate.

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Minister

The Minister of CGS is responsible for the implementation of this policy.

2. <u>Deputy Minister</u>

The Deputy Minister of CGS:

- a. is responsible for the administration of all provisions pursuant to this policy;
- b. approves awards subject to the conditions outlined in this policy;
- c. issues a letter of instruction which delegates authority to the high school principal to select the recipient of the award specified by this policy.

3. Corporate Chief Information Officer (CCIO)

The Corporate Chief Information Officer is responsible for:

- a. reviewing year end details of the award;
- b. receiving information from the Director of Corporate Services, Education, regarding the receipient of the award to include the: student's name, award given, community and achievements;
- c. ensuring the Contribution Agreement is managed effectively in conjunction with our objectives.

4. Director of Corporate Services, Department of Education

The Director of Corporate Services is responsible for:

- a. ensuring communication with each school's principal about the award and the student selection guidelines;
- b. providing awards in a timely manner to qualifying students;

- c. ensuring a timely annual report is produced which identifies the selection criteria;
- d. creating and providing the letter and speech for the recipients at the annual awards ceremony.
- 5. Principal of School

The Principal of each school is responsible for:

- a. selecting the student who receives the award;
- b. reporting to the Director of Corporate Services, Education, the details of the recipient and award.

PROVISIONS

To be eligible for the award a student must:

- a. be enrolled in a high school in Nunavut;
- b. be enrolled in a Sciences and/or Mathematics course;
- c. be eligible to graduate in that year;
- d. have demonstrated accomplishment in the Sciences and/or Mathematics.

FINANCIAL RESOURCES

Financial resources required under this policy are conditional on approval by the Legislative Assembly and on the availability of funds in the appropriate budget.

PREROGATIVE OF CABINET

Nothing in this policy shall in any way be construed to limit the prerogative of Cabinet to make decisions or take action respecting supporting Nunavut youth.

SUNSET CLAUSE

This policy shall be in effect from the date of the signature until March 31, 2020.

Premier