

AP 300.8: Scholarships and Bursaries

Purpose

To establish and maintain administration structure to facilitate the establishment of scholarships and bursaries.

1. Scholarship Committee

1.1 The Board shall establish a Scholarship Committee consisting of:

- Two (2) Trustees
- The Principals of secondary schools in the District enrolling Grade 12 students.
- The Superintendent of Schools or designate.

1.2 The Scholarship Committee shall be responsible for establishing appropriate procedures related to all bursaries and scholarships coming under the jurisdiction of the Board.

1.3 The Committee will meet by December of each school year and establish locally awarded scholarships amounts for that school year.

1.4 The Scholarship Committee will appoint a Selection Committee in relation to the Dogwood District Authority Awards. The Committee will be comprised of:

- The two (2) Trustees on the Scholarship Committee
- The Superintendent of Schools or designate
- Two (2) elementary school principals.

The Committee may create “teams” to receive student presentations in application for the Dogwood District Award, and make recommendations to the Selection Committee. Each team will consist of three members who are teachers, Principals/Vice-Principals, trustees, district staff or appropriate community members as determined by the Superintendent or designate.

1.5 The Selection Committee will review applications for the Dogwood District Authority Awards and conduct presentations during the month of May each school year. All other local scholarships are either specific to one (1) school, or are awarded on a rotation basis.

1.6 The Selection Committee will review applications for the Yellowhead Road & Bridge, Georgia Ethel McKeown, Bragagnolo, and Get High on Nature bursaries and determine awards.

2. Dogwood District Authority Awards

2.1 Student Applicants

Student applicants applying for these scholarships must:

- Be eligible to graduate in the year the application is presented.

- Be proceeding to a post-secondary program culminating in a diploma or a certification of training. Students pursuing direct university entry or a university transfer program are not eligible to apply for these scholarships.
- Be a full-time student at a District Secondary School, including correspondence students residing in the School District 8 (Kootenay Lake) catchment area and having completed seven (7) courses.
- Submit up to five (5) career-oriented courses for evaluation by the Committee.
- Have maintained good citizenship in the school, particularly in the areas of attendance, punctuality, work habits and attitude toward school.
- Present a project, assignment or a demonstration or presentation to the Committee.

2.2 Student Recipients

Students receiving a scholarship must:

- Have fulfilled graduation requirements.
- Be proceeding to a post-secondary program culminating in a diploma or a certificate of training.

2.3 Selection Committee Responsibilities

2.3.1 To determine the successful candidate, the District Scholarship Committee will, in addition to considering the above, consider the Grade Point Average on the following basis:

- The five (5) courses in 2.1 above will be those with the highest letter grade.
- The GPA will be based on the following:

-	A	-	4
-	B	-	3
-	C+	-	2
-	C	-	1

2.3.2 If a tie occurs, the GPA of all subjects taken in the grade 12 year will determine the successful candidate. If a tie still exists, the GPA in all subjects taken in the Grade 11 year will determine the successful candidate.

2.3.3 Notwithstanding the above, the Committee shall exercise its discretion in selecting successful candidates and its decision shall be final.

2.3.4 The Committee shall select runner up candidates in the event that the selected student does not meet graduation requirements.

3. Locally Funded

3.1 Criteria for students qualifying for locally funded scholarships and bursaries are attached to the information regarding each scholarship and/or bursary and are available at each secondary school.

3.2 To claim an award, students must provide proof of registration at a post-secondary institution.

3.3 Awards may be claimed up to eighteen (18) months following receipt.

3.4 The following scholarships and bursaries are available on a rotating basis at secondary schools:

District Music - L.V.R., Mt. Sentinel, Salmo Secondary

Harris & Company - Crawford Bay, J.V.H., L.V.R., Mt. Sentinel, P.C.S.S., Salmo Secondary

James A. & Margaret L. Fraser - (One (1) award annually to L.V.R; one (1) award annually rotated between Mt. Sentinel and Salmo Secondary schools)

Molly Hunt - L.V.R., Mt. Sentinel, Salmo Secondary

Soharev-Sargent - L.V.R., Mt. Sentinel, Salmo Secondary

Braganolo Scholarship - students must have attended Blewett Elementary for at least one (1) year - open to all District Senior Secondary Schools