



# Northeastern Catholic District School Board

## **CELEBRATIONS OF EXCELLENCE – Elementary GRADUATION CEREMONY – Secondary**

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### **POLICY STATEMENT**

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The Northeastern Catholic District School Board (NCDSB) is committed to celebrating our students' academic achievement in the presence of family, friends, classmates, staff, and our parish partners.

### **REFERENCES**

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Nil.

### **DEFINITIONS**

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Nil.

### **POLICY REGULATIONS**

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#### **1.0 Celebrations of Excellence (Elementary)**

- 1.1 At the end of each school year, Principals will organize a celebratory mass in the local parish, to celebrate the achievements of all students transitioning to a new school. Such celebrations of the Eucharist will be organized in partnership with the local pastor and the availability of the church.
- 1.2 Recognition ceremonies may take place at the parish (following the school mass) or within the school facility at an alternate time.

#### **2.0 Graduation (Secondary)**

- 2.1 The Secondary School Graduation Ceremony shall celebrate graduation mass and exercises in the Church, subject to the permission of the local pastor and the availability of the facility.

#### **3.0 Alternative Education Graduation Ceremony**

- 3.1 The graduation exercises shall be scheduled by the Principal and/or Vice-Principal at an appropriate time of the school year and in a location that best meets the needs of the graduates.