



# 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 Principals will organize a celebratory mass at the end of each school year to recognize the achievement of transitioning students from Grade 8 to 9 in the local parish. 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.