

AWARDS POLICY

STUDENT COLOURS, HONOURS AND SERVICE

INTRODUCTION

Rationale and Aim of Policy:

The School wishes to recognise the outstanding and exceptional achievement of its students in a variety of School activities - Academic, Cultural and Sporting- through enabling students to be awarded Colour and/or Honour Awards for these achievements. The School also wishes to recognise those students who provide outstanding service to the School by the granting of Service Awards.

This policy aims to set out the criteria and process by which students are able to receive Colour and/or Honour Awards and /or Service Awards.

Eligibility for Awards:

Colour and/or Honour and/or Service Awards may be awarded to Middle and Senior School students.

Timing of Awards:

Colour and/or Honour and/or Service Awards are to be awarded at the end of every Semester in accordance with the nomination and decision making procedures outlined in this policy.

COLOUR AND HONOUR AWARDS

Categories

Students may be awarded Colour and/or Honour Awards for the following endeavours:

- *Academic Achievement*;
- *Cultural Achievement* in Dance, Drama, Music, Visual Art and in other cultural activities recognised as worthy of recognition by the School's Management Team from time to time; and/or
- *Sporting Achievement* in ACC/CAS and other School sporting activities recognised as worthy of recognition by the School's Management Team from time to time.

Guiding Principles

Colour and Honour Awards are to be awarded on the basis of the following specific criteria relating to each category. However, a guiding and common principle for the making of Colour and Honour awards is that COLOUR awards will be awarded for OUTSTANDING performance in that category by a student and that HONOUR awards will be awarded for EXCEPTIONAL performance in that category by a student.

Specific Category Criteria

Academic Achievement - COLOUR AWARDS

Middle School Students - Years 7 to 9

Students may be awarded Academic Colour Awards on the basis of:

- Achieving outstanding result/s in State, National and/or International academic competitions and/or awards; and/or
- Being placed amongst the top five to ten students in the overall academic rankings of students in individual year groups that are calculated at the end of each year.

Senior School Students - Years 10 to 12

Students may be awarded Academic Colour Awards on the basis of:

- Being placed amongst the top five to ten students in the overall academic rankings of students in Year 10 that are calculated at the end of each year; and/or
- Attaining four or more WACE 'A' Grades in their Semester Two Year 11 report and/or their Semester One Year 12 Report; and/or
- Achieving outstanding result/s in State, National and/or International academic competitions and/or awards.

Academic Achievement - HONOUR AWARDS

Middle School Students -Years 7 to 9

Students may be awarded Academic Honour Awards on the basis of:

- Achieving exceptional result/s in State, National and/or International academic competitions and/or awards; and/or
- Being awarded Academic Colour Awards on three occasions.

Senior School Students - Years 10 to 12

Students may be awarded Academic Honour Awards on the basis of:

- Achieving exceptional result/s in State, National and/or International academic competitions and/or awards; and/or
- Being awarded Five or more WACE 'A' Grades in Year 12 subjects; and/or
- Attaining exceptional WACE Examination results, which may include the award of a General Certificate of Distinction, and/or Course or General Exhibition, and/or Certificate of Commendation, or such other public acknowledgement that recognise exceptional performance in a WACE Examination from time to time; and/or
- Being awarded the prize of Dux or Proxime Accesit of the School on the basis of their academic performance in Year 12.

Cultural Achievement - COLOUR AWARDS

Students in Years 7 to12 may be awarded Cultural Colour Awards on the basis of:

- the demonstration of an outstanding commitment and enthusiasm for their respective activity whilst also demonstrating an outstanding level of performance in their respective activity.

Cultural Achievement - HONOUR AWARDS

Students in Years 7 to12 may be awarded Cultural Honour Awards on the basis of:

- the demonstration of an exceptional commitment and enthusiasm for their respective activity whilst also demonstrating an exceptional level of performance in their respective activity.

Sporting Achievement - COLOUR AWARDS

Students in Years 7-12 may be awarded Sporting Colour Awards on the basis of:

- demonstrating an outstanding level of ability in a sporting activity and/or activities whilst also demonstrating values of sportsmanship and teamwork that are consistent with the School's values.

Sporting Achievement- HONOUR AWARDS

Students in Years 7-12 may be awarded Sporting Honour Awards on the basis of:

- demonstrating an exceptional level of ability in a sporting activity and/or activities whilst also demonstrating values of sportsmanship and teamwork that are consistent with the School's values.

SERVICE AWARDS

Students in Years 7-12 may be awarded School Service Awards on the basis of:

- demonstrating a meritorious level of service and commitment to the welfare of the School, including, but without limiting the scope of the award, the demonstration of leadership and responsibility for its students, activities and programmes within and outside of the School including service to community organisations that uphold the School's values.

At the end of Year 11, as a result of their appointment for the following year, the School's Head Boy, Head Girl, Deputy Head Boy and Deputy Head Girl will be awarded School Service Awards.

NOMINATION AND SELECTION OF AWARD RECIPIENTS

Before the end of each semester, staff will be invited to submit nominations for any of the above categories.

These nominations will be submitted to the School's Management Team for their consideration.

The Management Team will consider the nominations and prior to the end of each Semester announce the recipients of the awards for that semester. The decisions of the Management Team will be final. No appeals will be allowed by either staff, students and/or parents against decisions made by the Management Team.

FORM OF AWARDS

The Management Team shall decide upon the physical style and form of the Colour, Honour and Service Awards.

NUMBER AND FREQUENCY OF AWARDS

It will be possible for students, in accordance with the criteria of this policy, to be awarded Colour, Honour and /or Service Awards on more than one occasion AND for one or more activities.