



TCSA POLICY	
<b>TITLE</b>	Grade 12 Graduate Academic Achievement Awards
<b>POLICY NUMBER</b>	21-03-V1
<b>PROGRAM NAME</b>	JK-Grade 12
<b>DOMAIN NAME</b>	Education
<b>EFFECTIVE DATE</b>	5-May-2024
<b>NEXT REVIEW DATE</b>	<b>5-May-2027</b>
<b>APPROVAL DATE</b>	5-May-2024
<b>ISSUING AUTHORITY</b>	Tłicho Community Services Agency (TCSA)
<b>ACCREDITATION STANDARD</b>	N/A

### **POLICY AND GUIDING PRINCIPLE**

The TCSA recognizes the importance of the grade 12 diploma. Finishing high school and continuing to post-secondary institutions is crucial in preparing Tłicho people for careers and leadership positions within the Tłicho region.

### **PURPOSE/RATIONALE**

The purpose of this policy is to encourage and provide an incentive for all recent grade 12 graduates to pursue post-secondary education at a technical institution, college, or university and to encourage students to strive for academic excellence.

### **DEFINITIONS**

**The Selection Committee** consists of the Director of Education and the Principals of the Tłicho schools that offer grade 12. The committee decides by majority vote the recipients for each award presented that year.

**Nomination** is made by the school Principal and must include confirmation that eligibility has been met and supporting documentation to warrant the nomination. Typically, this is a letter of support for the candidate, which would be read at the time of the presentation of the award.

### **SCOPE/APPLICABILITY**



This policy will apply to all eligible TCSA students in TCSA schools that offer grade 12 including mature students.

### **PROCEDURE**

1. Eligibility for the TCSA Grade 12 Graduate Achievement Awards is limited to:
  - a. Tłicho citizens,
  - b. Grade 12 students in a TCSA school,
  - c. Have met graduation requirements within the current school year, and
  - d. Show proof they are enrolled in a full-time post-secondary technical institution, college, or university for the following year.
2. School principals shall nominate candidates by May 30th of each school year to the committee for consideration.
3. Selection will be determined by the selection committee consisting of:
  - a. The Director of Education or their representative, and
  - b. The principals of all Tłicho schools offering grade 12 or their representative.
4. Up to a total of ten (10) awards, each valued at \$750.00 for a total of \$7,500.00 **may** be distributed every year to TCSA students. The selection committee may offer awards based on merit for:
  - a. Resilience and perseverance,
  - b. Academics,
  - c. Successful with their Individual Education Program (IEP) Goals,
  - d. Sportspersonship,
  - e. Volunteerism or Community Service,
  - f. Aptitude in Tłicho Culture and/or Language,
  - g. Aptitude in trades or technology, and
  - h. Leadership.
5. The selection committee may choose not to present all awards during a school year at their discretion but shall not deviate from the awards listed in point 3. No student shall receive more than one award. Awards are presented as a region not as individual schools.
6. The selection committee will determine the recipient of each award by June 15th of each school year, to be presented at the graduation ceremonies.
7. Funds will be awarded with a cheque or electronic funds transfer directly to the student, or payment directly to the post-secondary institution. Gift cards are not permitted.

### **PERFORMANCE MEASURES**

TCSA Financial Statements



**CROSS-REFERENCE**

N/A

**ATTACHMENTS**

N/A

**REFERENCES**

N/A

**APPROVAL**

Reviewed and Approved By:

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