



POLICY

1. The Windsor-Essex Catholic District School Board shall support Grade 8 Graduation celebrations that are faith-based, age appropriate, family-oriented and financially within reach of ALL families.
2. The Board shall require students to attend class until the last day of school.

PROCEDURES

(Approved by the Board on June 27, 2005 and effective September 1, 2005.)

1. Graduation celebrations shall be school functions and shall be directed by the Principal who shall work in conjunction with the school and parish communities in the planning of this event.
 - a. Celebrations shall be simple, age-appropriate, faith-based and family-oriented.
 - b. A mass or a paraliturgy shall be included in the ceremony.
 - c. Graduation awards shall be presented at a ceremony to be held in the school gym, church/K of C hall, or other moderately priced location. The event shall be financially within reach of ALL families involved.
 - d. Extravagances such as limousines and formal attire shall be discouraged as they are neither appropriate nor acceptable at this age level.
 - e. No alcohol shall be served.

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