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* Shows an enthusiasm for learning which positively impacts other students in their class.
* Shows positive leadership during group work.
* Has excellent learning skills in all areas.
* Is committed to performing beyond expectations.
* Demonstrates a deep concern about their own academic success.

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**Performing Arts Award**

This award, in consultation with the Music teacher, recognizes a student who best fulfills the following characteristics:

* Participates in at least one or more of the activities offered: Band, Choir, Drama, Dance Festival, Variety show or Concert (these can be over a period of several years).
* Excels in at least one.
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**Athlete of the Year**

The winning recipient is chosen mainly by the coaches. The Athlete of the Year Award is given to the grade 7 male and female deemed to be the best deserving athlete for that school year according to the following guidelines:

* participation and significant contribution in 3 or more of the extra-curricular sports teams
* has a high standing in Physical Education classes (nothing lower than a B)
* demonstrates a passion for athletics
* demonstrates good sportsmanship on the playground, and especially on the court or field of play (both at home and at away games)
* is an effective team player
* provides actions that show they are a positive role model to other players, particularly the younger ones
* demonstrates strong athletic abilities
* coach-ability: has a strong understanding that they strive to fulfill the plans of the coaches

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**Visual Arts Award**

Is presented to a grade 7 student who:

* can create, reflect, and comment on works of art
* are skilful in several mediums (e.g. drawing, painting, sculpture, textiles, crafts, photography, colored pencils, oil or chalk pastels, markers).
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**Leadership Award**

Is given to the student who puts “exceptional effort” into social relationships, and extra-curricular activities and who throws him/herself into the life of the school. The plaque is awarded to the student who meets the following criteria:

* demonstrates leadership in the classroom and in school activities (e.g. Me to We, Peer Mediation, Student Council, Primary Classroom Monitoring, Office Monitoring, Sports Team)
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**Citizenship**

Recognizes a student who best fulfills the following characteristics:

* takes an active humanitarian role within the school by demonstrating caring for others
* shows a high level of maturity and responsibility, and uses those skills to make the school a better place
* is committed to participation and performance as expected (no joining and then dropping out)
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* performs shifts regularly (e.g. Peer Mediation, Student Council, Me to We, Office Monitor, Primary Classroom Monitor)
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**All-Round Award of Excellence**

Recognizes a student who, in the opinion of their teachers, has demonstrated outstanding academic promise and good citizenship in their grade 7 year. The criteria are:

* follows the code of conduct
* gets along well with peers
* is approachable
* is able to solve problems and mediate issues
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* is involved in extra-curricular activities
* has a positive attitude towards learning
* displays good work habits
* is attentive
* follows instructions
* completes assignments
* uses time effectively
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**Principal’s Award**

This award recognizes a student who has shown a strong commitment to self-improvement. This may involve improving marks, learning skills, behaviour, or resolving other impediments to their success. It is about growth and human potential. This award often goes to a student who had struggles to overcome, pulled it together, figured it out, and made huge gains.

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