

# GRADUATION POLICY

**Statement** TMSS holds a graduation ceremony near the end of each school year. This event is to be jointly planned and carried out by the graduating class, the SRC, the TMSS Graduation Staff Committee, and the Scholarship Fund Committee. Throughout the process, the principal/vice-principal will provide general supervision.

Eligibility to participate in the TMSS Graduation Ceremony is determined on the basis of certain criteria, as outlined below. It should be noted that such eligibility or participation in no way confirms that the student has successfully completed the grade twelve requirements as outlined by Saskatchewan Education.

The criteria for eligibility are evaluated as of March 1 of the year in which the graduation ceremony takes place. An eligibility list is posted soon thereafter. If after March 1, a student's circumstances change such that the criteria are no longer being met, the student will become ineligible, and will be so advised.

## **CRITERIA**

- A. Criteria include completion of, or current registration in, classes allowing attainment of:
1. **Regular/Modified Programming** - At least 24 high school credits, as set out by Saskatchewan Ministry of Education, including five(5) credits at the 30 level and including English A30 or A31, English B30 or B31 and Social Studies 30 or 31 or Social Studies/History 30.
  2. **Alternate Program** – completion of 24 credits in that program, including all compulsory courses.
  3. **Adult Program** – Completion of 7 credits as set out by Saskatchewan Ministry of Education including a 20 level Math, 20 level Science and five(5) credits at the 30 level including English A30 or A31, English B30 or B31 and Social Studies 30 or 31 or Social Studies/History 30.
- B. Eligibility to participate in the TMSS Graduation Ceremony is also based on the premise that the student must:
1. Have written required final examinations.
  2. Is registered at TMSS prior to final examinations.
  3. Have paid all outstanding debts, including library fines, owed to the Northeast School Division.
  4. Be taking part in his/her first Grade 12 graduating exercises at TMSS.
  5. Have completed the required assignments to be eligible to write a correspondence final by the dates set out by Saskatchewan Correspondence School if that class is required for attainment of a Grade 12 standing as set out by Saskatchewan Education.

## **Criteria for Special Circumstance Participation in Graduation**

A student may be eligible for Special Circumstance Participation in Graduation if they meet the following criteria.

1. The student has attended TMSS for their Grade 12 year as an exchange student and is in good standing.

**OR**

2. The student is not registered at TMSS but meets all of the following requirements
  - \* The student must have at least twenty-four (24) high school credits, as set out by Saskatchewan Education and NESD Policy, including five (5) credits at the 30 Level and including English A30 or A31, English B30 or B31 and Social Studies 30 or 31 or Social Studies/History 30.
  - \* Have attended the majority of their school years in Tisdale,
  - \* Have received part of their Secondary Education at TMSS
  - \* Their parents currently reside in the community of Tisdale.

### **Note:**

Candidates wishing to be considered for Graduation Under Special Circumstances must submit a written application to the Graduation Committee. This application should provide background to the candidate and will be reviewed by the Graduation Committee. The decision of the Committee shall be final.

### **Special Circumstances**

In the situation where a student meets the criteria for Graduation Under Special Circumstances, they are limited to the following restrictions regarding graduation participation...

### **Students are permitted to:**

1. Participate in the Graduation Banquet and be permitted to have the same number of invitations as other Graduates,
2. Participate in the group photo taken prior to the banquet,
3. Be invited to the Graduation ceremony and be permitted to have invited guests.
4. Have a cap and gown picture taken.

### **Students will not be permitted to:**

1. Be eligible for TMSS awards and scholarships,
2. Take part in the Grand March
3. Take part in the Graduation Ceremony
4. Be a part of the Graduation composite photo.