

## **POLICY:**

Mooroolbark College is committed to the recognition of student performance in academic and co-curricula excellence.

## **GUIDELINES:**

- Students will be recognised for both academic and co-curricula excellence.
- Students will be given the opportunity to demonstrate achievement in a wide range of academic and co-curricula areas.
- Teachers will follow correct procedure when nominating students for awards.
- In Year 7-10, awards will be calculated using Grade Point Average attained from marks given in common assessment tasks.
- Year 11 and 12 are subject based. Outlined below
- Mid-year academic awards will be presented at House assemblies.
- Identified awards will be issued at an end-of-year awards ceremony.
- Identified awards may have a monetary component in the form of vouchers included. (This is only applicable to end of year awards).
- Parents and students will be made aware of the criteria attached to all awards.

## **IMPLEMENTATION:**

### **VCE**

- Year 12
- Year 12 academic awards will be subject based and presented at the end of the year only. The award will be issued to the student who receive the highest ranking from SAC results throughout the year.
- Specialist Maths (or the highest level of maths offered through the College) award recipient receives the Doug Fraser Specialist Maths Award.
- The Chemistry award recipient receives the Doug Fraser Chemistry Award.
- The English award recipient receives the Greg Hooke English Award.
- After the results are released, the top 10 achieving students will be invited to attend the "Top Achievers" Assembly which is the first assembly of the following year.
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- Year 11
- The award will be issued to the student/students who receive the highest score from SACs (for half-year and end of year). Where there are multiple classes, there will be academic excellence awards awarded to the next students in the ranking, equal to the number of classes for that subject.
- For example, if there were three English classes, the top student ranked at year 11 will receive the top achiever award for English, and another two students will receive academic excellence for English, totalling three.
- There will also be an Endeavour award for each subject. As above, the number of endeavour awards will be equal to the number of classes that are running in that subject.

## **VCE-VM**

- VCE-VM Awards will be awarded at both Year 11 and Year 12 to the top achieving student per subject and chosen by teachers for both their work ethic and standard of work.
- The top achieving Year 12 VCE-VM student will be determined by a panel of VCE-VM teachers and will be invited to the "Top Achievers" Assembly which is the first assembly of the following year.

## **Years 7-11**

- Mid -year academic awards will be presented to students at either House assemblies or Year level assemblies within the first 3 weeks of Term 3.
- Academic awards for students in Years 7 – 10 will be determined by the grades given to common assessment tasks using the reporting package during Term 2 and Term 4 report writing.
- Achievement for academic awards will presented using the following definitions for Year 7-10 students:

- **Dux – Highest Achievement in each year level based on Grade Point Average**
- **Honours – A score of 9.0 or above based Grade Point Average**
- **High Distinction – A score of 8.00 – 8.99 based on Grade Point Average**
- **Distinction – A score of 7.00 – 7.99 based on Grade Point Average**
- **Credit – A score of 6.00 – 6.99 based on Grade Point Average**

- A basis for discretion exists for the College Leadership Team to adjust the ranges as appropriate.

### **Co-curricula Awards will consist of:**

- College All-Rounder (one per year level)
- Sports Criteria: participation in 4 different interschool sports, one of which must include Maroondah District Athletics, Cross Country or Swimming
- Sports State Finalists
- Music
- Matthew Rossi – overcoming adversity (Any person/gender)
- Mooroolbark College All Rounder Award – Year 12 (to be presented at the Valedictory Dinner)
- Australian Defence Force – Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork
- Mooroolbark College Parents Association (MCPA) Encouragement Award (5 per year level 7-10)
- CWA Award – Year 10/11 (Identifies as female) – \$100 donated by CWA
- CWA Award – Year 7-9 (Identifies as female) - \$100 donated by CWA
- The Lyn Godfrey Year 10/11 Encouragement Award – (Identifies as male)
- The Lyn Godfrey Year 7-9 Encouragement Award – (Identifies as male)
- Casey Shield – Any year level: A student who best exemplifies college values by displaying personal development, leadership or community spirit.
- Rotary `Service Above Self': Student nominated award based on individual's who contribute to something that benefits others.
- House awards – Year 12
- Sponsorship for various awards will be sought from the local community.
- Community categories may or may not be made available in any given year.
- Teachers will assess all students.
- Teachers will be asked to nominate students using set criteria for all co-curricula awards.
- Criteria for awards will be published in the student bulletin and school newsletter at the beginning of each semester.
- Recipients of end-of-year awards will be notified after report writing day in Term 4 each year.
- Students achieving above the level of academic credit and/or co-curricula awards will be invited to attend the awards ceremony in December.
- Students receiving academic credits will have their certificates posted home with reports.
- The following awards will have certificates, vouchers or cheques as indicated, included in their presentation:

- Year 12 subject awards (end of year) - \$50 voucher
- Year 11 subject awards – (end of year) \$25 voucher
- Year 11 subject awards – (half year) - certificate
- Year 11 Endeavour awards (half and end year) - certificate
- Doug Fraser Award - \$50 cheque
- MC All-Rounder Award Year 12 – \$200 voucher
- College All- rounder – Years 7 – 11 \$50 voucher
- Dux - 7 – 11 \$150 cheque sponsored by the Lions Club Mooroolbark
- Dux – Year 12 \$250 cheque sponsored by the Lions Club Mooroolbark
- Academic Honours - \$25 voucher
- Academic High Distinction- \$20 voucher
- Academic Distinction - \$15 voucher
- Credit – Certificate only
- Music Award - \$25 voucher
- Matthew Rossi – (any person/gender) \$50 voucher
- M.C.P.A. Encouragement Award - \$15 x 5 per year level
- M.C.P.A Leadership Award – College Captains \$50 voucher
- M.C.P.A. Leadership Award – College House Captains \$20 voucher
- CWA Award – Year 10/11 and Year 7-9 (student that identifies as female) – \$100 donated by CWA for each award
- Lyn Godfrey Year 10/11 and 7-9 Encouragement Award – (student that identifies as male) - \$100 for each award
- Casey Shield – Medal and \$50
- Rotary Service Above Self - \$200 donated by Rotary (Discretion of the judging panel eg: 2 x \$100 or 4 x \$50 depending on quality of nominations).
- Students who are unable to attend the awards ceremony will have certificate/medallions sent home.
- Voucher/Cheques will only be awarded to students present at the awards ceremony.

#### **BASIS OF DISCRETION:**

- New categories of awards can be added at the discretion of the Principal.
- Under special circumstance, at the discretion of the Principal:
- Students unable to attend the Awards Ceremony may receive financial awards attached to their certificate.
- Students unable to attend rehearsals can attend the ceremony

#### **EVALUATION:**

- This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's four-year review cycle.

This policy was last ratified by College Council in

February 2024
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