

SUBJECT: STUDENT AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS AND CONTESTS FOR STUDENTS

Student Awards and Scholarships

The School District may obtain and award to its students awards and scholarships. The Board of Education, having been entrusted by law, will hold in trust gifts, grants, bequests and legacies given or bequeathed to the Churchville-Chili Central School District and shall apply the same and/or their interest and proceeds according to the instruction of the donors and according to the procedures established by the administration. Scholarships or awards are also provided through extracurricular and athletic clubs who maintain funds in their organizations' name and determine amounts of and criteria for the scholarship or award. (Refer also to Policy #3170 - *Memorials*).

The Board of Education mandates that all students regardless of actual or perceived race, color, weight, gender or sex, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, economic status, marital status, disability, sexual orientation or any other status protected by law, shall be eligible for all awards and scholarships given or disseminated by the School District.

Eligible candidates for academic or other achievement awards will be selected on the basis of academic achievement, school citizenship, and/or co-curricular performance, as applicable to the type of award being given. Recipients of awards shall be selected by the appropriate administrator from a list of eligible candidates prepared in consultation with appropriate school staff.

Scholarships to high school graduates will be awarded on the basis of criteria set forth for specific awards. A list of the available scholarships and awards is in the Student Handbook (Refer also to Policy #7213 -- *Student Achievement*.)

Contests for Students

Distribution of educational material, essay contests, and poster contests must be approved in advance by the building principals if the sponsoring organization wishes to involve students in the project on school time. Samples of informational material should accompany the request.

Education Law Sections 404 and 1709(12-a)

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