

STUDENT AWARDS POLICY

Rationale -

Typically, awards are presented to recognize outstanding scholarship, or service to the institution; to recognize and encourage student participation at school; to encourage a particular kind of scholarship, or service. Mackay North State School is proud of the students who attend the school and our annual Awards Parade is an opportunity to recognise the excellence efforts of the students who make up the student population.

Guiding Principles -

- **All** students in Years Prep, 1 and 2 will receive class awards.
- **Selected** students in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will receive class awards – from 3 categories – Academic, Citizenship and North Star.
- Each classroom teacher will be eligible to nominate up to 20% students from their class for a Citizenship and North Star award.
- All students who are deserved of an Academic Award will receive one.
- Any combination of awards may be nominated.
- Student awards are designed to recognise excellence in the specific categories.
- **Selected** students in Years 5 and 6 will receive school sporting awards
 - **Sportsman of the Year** – points-based award
 - **Sportswomen of the Year** – points-based award
 - **Sportsperson of the Year** – selected award
 - **Sue Stevenson Cross Country Award (Male & Female)** – points-based award
- **Selected** students in Years 5 and 6 will receive school cultural awards
 - **Strings Award** – selected award
 - **BWP ward** – selected award
 - **Overall Cultural Award**– points-based award
- A **Selected** student in Year 5 will receive school Year 5 All Rounder award
 - **North Mackay Year 5 All Rounder Award** – selected award
- A **Selected** student/s in Year 6 will receive school “Rats of Tobruk” award
 - **Spirit of Rats of Tobruk Award** – selected award

- A **Selected** student/s in Year 6 will receive school “Sally Tagney Star Student” award
 - **Sally Tagney Star Student Award** – selected award
- A **Selected** student/s in Year 6 will receive school Overall Academic Achiever award
 - **Overall Academic Achiever award** – selected award
- Students will be notified by mail of their invitation to receive an award.
- Students will wear full school uniform to the awards parade to receive their award.
- Awards will be presented by the classroom teacher, selected guests and the Principal.

The awards parade will take the same format each year with changes only introduced to streamline the evening.

- Welcome to all guests – MC
- School Recorder Band - National Anthem and presentation piece
- Principal’s Address
- Award Presentations to Years 3 - 6 students. Each year level in alphabetical order with all awards for each student mentioned
- Year Level Awards presented by class teachers
- Scholarship awardees and Major school awards presented (i.e. Sports person of the year, Overall cultural awardees, Overall academic awardees) presentation
- Presented by persons relevant to the awards and the Principal
- Recipients of the 4 major awards will have their names displayed on a school honour board displayed in the office foyer.