Cooke Awards Selection Criteria

The Board of Education will establish guidelines to support the criteria developed by the Mission Foundation / George Willoughby Cooke for the selection of students to receive a Cooke Award for excellence in science and mathematics.

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- Students must attend a school in the Mission School District or be registered in the school district's Summit Learning Centre.
- Cooke Awards are given to students to recognize achievement in grade 7 and 8 and to provide encouragement for higher achievement in mathematics and science throughout secondary school.
- Recipients are to receive recognition for one subject only and are not to receive an award the following year in either category.
- One male and female student is to be selected for grade 7 or grade 8 math or grade 7 or grade 8 sciences.

Science

Students selected to receive a Cooke Award must demonstrate excellence in science ability by:

- Selecting and designing an appropriate experiment for investigation involving two or more variables.
- Evaluating conclusions in relation to other evidence and sources.
- Identifying factors that have made possible or limited the work of particular scientists.
- Earning a final letter grade of an "A".
- Displaying a positive attitude towards science.

Mathematics

Students selected to receive a Cooke Award must demonstrate excellence in mathematics ability by:

- A positive mathematical attitude.
- Connecting and applying mathematical ideas.
- Estimating and using mental math effectively.
- Demonstrating problem solving abilities.
- Reasoning and communicating mathematically.
- Earning a final letter grade of an "A".

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