



2026 École Argyle Awards and Recognition

CLASS AWARDS

Presented in class in June 2026

Piper Awards for Outstanding Learning – [click here](#) for details. Piper Awards are celebrated throughout the school year in classrooms. Teachers identify students over the course of the school year, and present certificates to them in their respective classrooms. Students who receive Piper Awards will also be acknowledged at the year-end grade assemblies.

Piper awards celebrate outstanding learning in the areas of:

- Thinking (creative, critical, divergent)
- Habits of Learning
- Turn around/persistence
- Resilience/overcoming significant challenges
- Inspiration
- Leadership
- Outstanding demonstration of learning, project, or artifact of learning
- Citizenship, peer support, contribution to the learning community
- Going above and beyond
- Excellence in a specific subject or discipline

SUBJECT AWARDS

Presented at awards ceremony in June 2026

Subject Awards - These awards are given to students who have demonstrated outstanding achievement, attitude, effort and participation in the subject area. Students recognized have not necessarily obtained the highest mark for the grade in the particular subject area, however they combine academic excellence with a superior approach to learning.

SERVICE AWARDS

Presented at awards ceremony in June 2026

Service hours are hours students spend contributing to the **Argyle** school community through clubs or volunteer work. Staff signoff is required for service hours to be awarded to a student. Students can log their service hours using the form found [here](#).

Service hours are awarded for club leadership and help for events, but not for club membership alone.

Argyle Service Awards

- Grades 11 & 12: 50 to 99 hours of school service during the school year
- Grades 9 & 10: 25 to 49 hours of school service during the school year
- Grade 8: 15+ hours of school service during the school year

PRINCIPAL'S LIST

Presented at awards ceremony in June 2026

The Principal's list is comprised of students in grades 10-12 who excel in their classes and give back to the Argyle community.

The Principal's list will be announced at the June awards ceremony to students in grades 10-12 who:

- Achieve 90% average in all courses
- Achieve 86% minimum in each academic course
- Take a full course load all year ([more information here](#))
- Completes at least 10 service hours in the school year
- Is in good standing with the school

MAJOR SCHOOL AWARDS

Presented at awards ceremony in June 2026

Outstanding Service to Argyle School Awards

- 100+ hours of school service to Argyle School (Grade 11/12)
- 50+ hours of school service to Argyle School (Grades 8-10)

Outstanding Scholastic Achievement (Gr. 10 – 12)

97%+ average on all courses, minimum 95% in academic courses

Students will also have:

- Demonstrate exemplary school citizenship
- Maintain a full timetable ([more information here](#))
- Be in good standing with the school.

Argyle Prestige Awards - Students who are selected by the awards committee excel in 3 or more of the following areas: academics, fine & performing arts, athletics, service, citizenship/leadership, and:

- Are respected by their peers and teachers
- Have demonstrated leadership qualities
- Maintain a full timetable ([more information here](#))

Principal's Award of Merit – Awarded to a student(s) in each grade 8-11. These students will have been exemplary school citizens, will have made a significant contribution to extracurricular life at Argyle, and will have maintained an excellent academic record across a full timetable.

ARGYLE ATHLETICS AWARDS

Presented at Athletic Banquet in June 2026

Damon Rayan Memorial Gavel – Students' Council Award

Team Awards - 3 awards per team

Athletes of the Year – awarded at each grade

Excellence in Sport – awarded to outstanding graduating student-athletes that are moving onto post-secondary education with their sport.

Contribution to Sport - awarded to graduating student-athletes that have put countless hours and effort into their programs.

North Shore All Stars - team selection recognition

Major Event winners – acknowledgement of teams that competed at Provincials, and outstanding individual/team finishes

Grade 12 Ken Moore Sportsmanship Award - Ken Moore was a well-respected coach on the North Shore, who coached a number of teams at the school and community levels. Ken started coaching in 1995, and was always known as an easy going, friendly, and well-loved coach on the North Shore. He coached Baseball, Lacrosse, Basketball, Volleyball and Soccer. In 2005 Ken was the Head Coach of the Argyle Pipers Junior Soccer Team and led the team to the Vancouver District Championships where they won the coveted District Title. Ken believed in putting the players first, and believed in sportsmanship, fair play, and player development over winning.

For this reason, this award is given to an athlete who has shown strong sportsmanship. This athlete continually encourages and supports other athletes. Above all this is an athlete who strives to obtain their best, while demonstrating the essentials of sportsmanship and fair play.

DRAMA AWARDS

Presented at end of year-end events in June 2026

Best Playwright

Recognizes exceptional originality and skill in scriptwriting, showcasing creativity, structure, and a strong theatrical voice.

Director's Plaque

Awarded to the student director whose vision, leadership, and creativity guided their cast and crew to bring a production to life with excellence.

Outstanding Service

Celebrates consistent dedication, reliability, and behind-the-scenes contributions that support the success of the entire theatre program.

Outstanding Actor

Honours a performer who delivered a compelling, nuanced, and memorable lead performance on stage.

Outstanding Actress

Honours a performer who delivered a compelling, nuanced, and memorable lead performance on stage.

Best Supporting Actor

Awarded to a performer whose supporting role elevated the production with depth, timing, and strong ensemble work.

Best Supporting Actress

Awarded to a performer whose supporting role elevated the production with depth, timing, and strong ensemble work.

Rising Star Actor

Recognizes a promising performer who has shown exceptional growth, potential, and enthusiasm for future roles.

Rising Star Actress

Recognizes a promising performer who has shown exceptional growth, potential, and enthusiasm for future roles.

Citizenship

Presented to a student who embodies kindness, respect, and community spirit, enriching the ensemble both on and off stage.

Stagecraft

Acknowledges excellence in technical theatre, design, or crew work that enhances the storytelling and visual impact of a production.

Special Technical

Honours an individual who demonstrated innovation, problem-solving, or outstanding skill in a specific technical area of production.

Acting for the Camera

Recognizes outstanding performance in film or digital media, highlighting subtlety, adaptability, and screen presence.

Backstage Spark

Celebrates a crew member whose positivity, energy, and teamwork lifted morale and made the backstage experience extraordinary.

The Duncan Ellis Encouragement Trophy

Awarded to a theatre student who demonstrates promise, dedication, and growth in their interpersonal skills.

The Nancie Cargill Cup

Awarded to the student who exemplifies thoughtfulness, kindness, and dedication — qualities that Nancie herself embodies.

ARGYLE MUSIC AWARDS

Presented in June 2025

Outstanding Achievement / Top Student

Certificate Awards

- Most Improved
- Most Promising
- Ensemble Spirit
- Music Service
- Technical Services

Trophy Awards (& Plaque for recipients) – see next page for criteria & descriptions

- Outstanding Musician
- Golden Vocal Cords
- Golden Mouthpiece
- 4/4 Club & 5/4 Club
- James Buchanan Award
- Jana Atkinson Award
- Golden Take Up Reel

ARGYLE MUSIC TROPHY AWARDS

Presented in June 2025

James Buchanan Award: Awarded to a graduating student demonstrating characteristics and qualities similar to James Buchanan, a beloved principal from Argyle School in the 1980's. The recipient is an outstanding music student and school citizen, who always brings the team up to performance; someone who is dependable and offers hours of service to the problem. This individual is always positive and affirming and thinks of others before themselves.

Jana Atkinson Award: Awarded to a student who is preferably in choir, band and drama. This award is in memory of a former Argyle music and drama student who tragically lost her life in a drunk driving accident one Halloween in Lynn Valley. It serves as a reminder, particularly at this time of year, for grads to be safe and lookout for one another. Though not the best student in the class (as she would often arrive late), Jana Atkinson was a passionate musician, and loved the community in the music rooms more than anything. She spent a lot of time in the music program, had a big heart and lots of smiles.

Fine Arts Aggregate: Awarded to a student who excels and shows outstanding achievement and ability in all areas under the FINE ARTS umbrella – Music, Art and Drama.

Performing Arts Aggregate: Awarded to a student who excels and demonstrates outstanding achievement and ability in Performing Arts, specifically MUSIC and DRAMA.

Golden Vocal Cords Award: Awarded to a singer, often a graduating student, who is most versatile and exceptional in their singing abilities (Usually a student who is in both Vocal ensemble and Concert Choir)

Golden Mouthpiece Award: Awarded to an instrumentalist, often a graduating student, who is most versatile and skilled at their instrument(s) (usually a student who is in both Concert Band and Jazz Band)

Outstanding Musician Award: Awarded to a graduating music student, who is often enrolled in more than one senior music course, and exhibits exceptional musical understanding, great proficiency = on their instrument(s) and leadership in the ensembles.

Golden Take Up Reel Award: Awarded to a senior tech crew member who shows great leadership, organization and collaboration with the group. Someone who has put in countless hours for the music program and the school in technical support.