# **GENERAL PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS**

- A STUDENT CAN ONLY BE PROMOTED IF HE/SHE HAS ATTENDED AT LEAST 80% FULL SCHOOL DAYS.
- THE PASSING GRADE FOR EACH SUBJECT IS 60%.
- A STUDENT IN FORMS 1, 2, OR 3 CANNOT REPEAT THE SAME YEAR TWICE OR REPEAT TWO CONSECUTIVE YEARS.

## PROMOTION IN BASIC SECONDARY EDUCATION

### From Form 1 to Form 2:

Form 1 and Form 2 are the years of Basic Secondary Education. Students are allowed to repeat once, either in Form 1 or in Form 2. Students who do not successfully complete BSE within three years and/or students who do not meet the requirements below will be referred to PSVE/VSBO (vocational level of education). Students who are failing six or more academic subjects in either Form 1 or Form 2 will get an advice from the Care Team to transfer to PSVE/VSBO as well.

A student is promoted when he/she:

- Has an overall average of at least 60 AND
- Has no more than 4 failing grades overall AND
- Has no more than 3 failing grades in academic subjects

A student is a discussion case, when he/she:

- Has 4 failing grades in academic subjects with an average of at least 58 in two of the failing subjects AND
- Has no failing non-academic subjects

In all other cases a student will repeat.

### From Form 2 to Form 3:

A student is promoted when he/she:

- Has an overall average of at least 60 AND
- Has no more than 4 failing grades overall AND
- Has no more than 3 failing grades in academic subjects

A student is promoted to the Science package when he/she:

Has an average of at least 70% in Integrated Science and 70% in Mathematics. This rule only applies
to students who want to choose the Science package with Biology, Chemistry and Physics. If a student
wants to choose any one of these subjects in combination with another package (Humanities or
Business), the student must have an average of at least 70% in either Integrated Science or
Mathematics, depending on the chosen subject from the Science package. This must be discussed
first with the Career Counselor and based on the student's career choice.

A student is a discussion case when he/she:

- Has 4 failing grades in academic subjects with an average of at least 58 in two of the failing subjects AND
- Has no failing non-academic subjects

In all other cases a student will repeat.

### From Form 3 to Form 4:

A student is promoted when he/she:

- Has an overall average of at least 60 AND
- Has at least 10 overall passing grades and 7 academic passing grades AND
- Has no grades lower than 40.
- A student is a discussion case, when he/she:
  - Has 9 overall passing grades and/or 6 academic passing grades OR
  - Has 1 or 2 grades lower than 40

In all other cases a student will repeat.

#### From Form 4 to Form 5:

A student is promoted, when he/she:

- Has an overall average of at least 60 AND
- Has at least an overall of 8 passing grades out of all subjects AND
- Has at least 6 passing grades for subjects for which he/she will sit the exams.
- A student is a discussion case, when he/she:
  - Has an overall of 7 passing grades
  - Has 5 passing grades for subjects for which he/she will sit the exams.

### In all other cases a student will repeat.

When a student does not meet the promotional requirements for **Form 4 and/or Form 5**, he/she will be discussed during the report card meeting. Based on the outcome of the discussion, the student may be promoted, may repeat or may be referred to another type of education. All discussion cases are reviewed on an individual basis with consideration given to the distinct merits of each case.

#### e) Graduation Requirements

A student receives a St. Dominic High School diploma, if he/she:

- Takes at least 8 examination subjects, including Dutch
- Has taken examinations in the compulsory subjects Mathematics, English, Information Technology and Dutch
- Has met the requirements of the subject Physical Education and the Service Learning requirement.
- Scores at least 5 General I-IV scores
- Has attended at least 80% of all classes. Students who do not meet this requirement cannot sit the official CXC/ Cambridge examinations.