



Westsyde Secondary School

Grad 2024 Newsletter #2 – February

March 11	Baby Photo Deadline Extended
April 5	Fees Deadline (all outstanding fees)
June 8	Commencement Date

Grad Photos

Grad photos including retake proofs are available for pick-up in the office.

Keeper Grad Gowns

Grad gowns have been ordered and a tentative pickup date is May 22nd.

Scholarship Information

If you do not already have a copy of the Scholarship Guidelines and Information, you can contact Ms. Carlson in the counselling office.

You can join the Scholarship google classroom: Code: U35UNEM

In addition, be sure to check out the School District #73 Booklet page found at:

<https://www.sd73.bc.ca/en/community-parents-and-students/scholarships-bursaries.aspx>

Grad Fees

The school grad fee is \$120.00 and covers:

- All commencement costs including your graduation certificate, composite photo and ceremony photo
- Additional commencement costs including decorations, flowers, staging costs, tickets, programs and Staff/Grad Social
- Grad fees are due in the office by Friday, April 5th. Grad fees must be paid in full to participate in the Commencement Ceremony.

Baby Photos

We are putting together a slideshow to use during our Commencement Ceremony, which includes baby photos of our Grads. Please submit your photo (infant to pre-school age) to the main office by **March 11**. This can be done by emailing a digital or scanned photo (minimum size 55px by 500 px, JPEG or PNG file type with the file name: lastname_firstname.jpg) to tparenteau@sd73.bc.ca. If you are unable to scan the image, we can do it for you. Please bring the photo to the main office where we will scan it for you while you wait.

Graduation Requirements

In order to be eligible to participate in the Commencement Ceremony, a student must complete graduation requirements by the end of their grade 12 year. At the end of Term 3, there will be an adjudication of any students in grade 12 with failing grades. Administration, in consultation with counsellors and teachers, will conduct this process. Failing students will be warned formally as part of this process. Students will have until the last week of April to improve any failing marks. Students who are still failing at the end of April will not be permitted to participate in the Commencement Ceremony. All decisions regarding a student being removed from the list will include parent consultation.

Requirements to participate in the Commencement Ceremony

The Graduate must be completing all graduation requirements.

All outstanding fees must be paid, including Ceremony fee.

All Library fees must be paid, and library books must be returned.

Safe Grad/Grand March & Prom

The Safe Grad/Grand March & Prom events are organized by the Parent Safe Grad Committee.

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