

Grad Parent Meeting

September 23, 2019

- **Welcome and Introductions**

Teacher sponsors: Helen Argue, Terry Ann Webster, Dawna Small

GFSS Principal: Brian Foy

Grad Executive:

- Chair/Co Chair: Faith Thomson & Makenna Burrows
- Treasurer: Kaleb Blatekicz
- Decorating: Saige da Silva
- Fundraising: Jayden Leroy; Sarah Olsen
- Public Relations/Com: Mackenzie Turner

Grad Committee: Hannah Semenoff, Eire O Donnell, Danielle Schwaier, Seamus Caryle

- **Parent Support/Grad Parent Meetings**

Need parental support in some key areas such as helping out the chairperson team, fundraising, treasurer

- **Commencement Ceremonies:**

- Date: Ceremonies will be held on June 13th
- Format: Will probably change this up a little more this year where the scholarship presentations will happen prior to ceremonies and then during the grad “bios”, the scholarships will also be listed.
- Seating: We will be doing the padded lottery again for seating at ceremonies – attendance at parent meetings means name is entered more often.
- Fees: There is a \$25.00 fee for every grad who will be participating in ceremonies (covers cost of arena rental, dry cleaning of gowns, ect).

- **Fundraisers/Grad Hours**

- The following fundraisers were chosen by the executive to start the year off:
Purdy’s Chocolates
Wine Tasting – Food servers for
Small Business Awards Reception – 6 students
Spagetti Feed – tentative date October 22nd for parent teacher interviews
Christmas Craft Fair (Nov 23 or 24) – this is the weekend we have done in the past

Grad hours are tracked through fundraisers. There is a minimum of 5 hours to complete if grads want to participate in the celebration hosted by the grad class (do not require these hours to participate in ceremonies).

- **Other fundraising ideas**

- Elementary Dances
- Raffles
- Manure Sales
- Liquour Store Sales
- Borscht Feeds
- Poinsettas
- Hanging Baskets
- Bake Sales
- Bottle Drives

- **Dates to remember:** See other sheet

- **Next meeting:** October 21st, 2019 @ 7:00 pm

TIME LINE (known dates as of September 3rd)

September 6-11: All Grad members have a chance to submit their names for an executive position as well as sign up for the grad committee

Wednesday, September 11: 12:55pm Last chance to submit names for the executive election to Mrs Argue or Mrs Webster

Monday, September 16th: Vote for the executive. This election is for all students in the grad class. If time permits, the grad executive posted that day.

Week of September 16th: Introduction to Capstone (completion of this package is part of the graduation requirements). Due dates for all unit assignments will be handed out during this session or you can visit the website for more details.

Wednesday, September 18: Grad executive meeting at lunch

Monday, September 23: Grad parent meeting, 7 pm in Bistro

Tuesday, October 15th: Liason Day: Post Secondary Visits (1:00-3:30)

Week of December 9th: Capstone Presentations

Week of January 6th: Introduction to Financial Unit (Capstone piece). Students will have until March 12th to complete the unit which includes an exit interview with Mr Stewart.

Monday-Thursday, January 27-30th: Grad portraits

Tuesday, March 10th (B Block): Scholarship Meeting with Grade 12s

Wednesday, April 8th: Scholarship applications due

Thursday, May 7th: Initial Grad list posted

Thursday, May 21: Second grad list posted

Thursday, June 4th: Final grad list posted

Monday, June 8th: Grad appeals

Thursday, June 11th: Grad rehearsal (2:30 pm at the arena)

Saturday, June 13th: Graduation ceremonies (time to be announced)