

MOVING INTO GRADE 12

GETTING CLOSE TO THE FINISH LINE

Hello Families of our 2026 Grads!

Before we break for summer, we wanted to reach out with an overview of some important items as your child steps into their grade 12 year. This is an exciting time yet, the information can be plentiful and overwhelming! We wanted to take the opportunity to share some important pieces with you so that you and your family can set some dates aside and begin to consider some information as your child prepares to step into their graduation year.

With excitement from your (future) Grade 12 Team,
Mrs. Cantafio (Vice Principal)
Mrs. Goetz (Guidance)

Mrs. Peters & Mrs. Mymryk (Grad Organizers)
Ms. Hasey (Gr 12 Resource)



GRADUATION INFORMATION

All graduation information will be located on our school website (About Us--> Graduation). Please ensure you continue to monitor your email and school instagram for additional information.

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Any scholarship information will be posted on our school website (Programs-->Awards). If students are requesting letters of reference, teachers/admin require a minimum of 3 days notice.

GRAD PHOTOS

There is NO fee for students to have their graduation photo taken for our composite that will hang proudly in the JT halls for years to come. If you wish to have a formal sit down, with multiple poses with the potential to order your own personal grad photos - there will be a sitting fee (estimated \$30-\$35)

CONVOCATION

Convocation will take place at Club Regent Event Centre (1425 Regent Ave W) on **Wednesday, June 24th**. Tickets must be ordered online however, there is NO fee for convocation. More information to follow.

GRAD DINNER & DANCE

The dinner and dance will take place on **Thursday, June 25th** at the Victoria Inn & Conference Centre (1808 Wellington Ave). More information to come.

SAFE GRAD

Safe Grad is a **parent-organized** celebration held immediately after the grad dinner and dance. Its primary goal is to provide a safe, enjoyable environment for graduates to celebrate their achievements without the risks associated with unsupervised parties. **Please begin to consider if you are interested in partaking in the organizing committee in the fall.**

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Grad Cap & Gown

This fee covers the cost of the rental of the robe and stole. Grads get to keep their cap. Estimated cost of \$35.

Dinner & Dance

Fundraising efforts will attempt to bring down the cost of the grad dinner and dance tickets. Typically dinner tickets will cost anywhere from (\$85-\$90 per ticket).

Grad Wear & Memorabilia

Students will have the opportunity to order Senior Shirts, grad wear (hoodies, shirts, etc) and grad rings. **These purchases are all optional and individual.**

FUNDRAISING

To help bring down the costs of the dinner ticket, grad fundraisers will take place over the course of the year. Please keep your eyes and ears open as more information comes out in the fall.

ESTIMATED SCHOOL-RELATED GRAD COSTS

GRAD DINNER TICKETS \$85-\$90 / EACH

SAFE GRAD TICKET \$20-\$25

PHOTO SITTING \$35

GRAD CAP & GOWN \$35

VOLUNTEER HOURS

Although volunteer hours are no longer a mandatory requirement for graduation, the hours accumulated are highly regarded for scholarships and awards. Students must submit their hours / log sheets by mid-May to ensure timely consideration. Reminders will be sent home throughout the year.

CFE CREDITS

Grade 12s who completed their LifeWorks10 credit in grade 9 are able to earn up to 2 Credit For Employment credits while working. Students can check in with Ms. Goetz to receive the forms and get more information on the process.

GRAD POW WOW

Each May SJASD holds a Divisional Grad Pow Wow. Students who are self-declared will automatically be sent an invitation in the Spring.

SELF-DECLARATION

We encourage our Indigenous and Metis families to fill out their self-declaration forms as many opportunities, scholarships and experiences will come up over the year.

Important Notes

STUDENT DRIVERS

Students who wish to transport other students on field trips or sporting events MUST have volunteer student driver forms filled and submitted to the office at least 1 week prior to the event. Students must fill out parking forms and pay the parking fee if they wish to park in the school lot.

STUDENTS WHO TURN 18

Once your child turns 18, the school can no longer legally communicate with parents about their school information. As we believe that parents and caregivers are instrumental to our partnership in helping kids succeed, two weeks prior to your child's 18th birthday, the school will send a 18+ communication consent form home for you and your child to review, sign and return.

TRANSCRIPT REQUESTS

Students who require transcripts for post-secondary applications or scholarships will be able to request them online in the fall. More info to come.

ALTERNATE GRADUATION PLAN

Students who have not met graduation requirements for June 2026 will work closely with admin, guidance and resource to develop an alternate graduation plan. Our team looks forward to work closely with families to help support the plans that will be developed.

Post-Secondary Planning

POST SECONDARY PLANNING

Guidance will continue to check in with students in regards to post-secondary planning and application processes and timelines. We also post all post-secondary open house dates on our website (Programs--> Post Secondary).

Students and families are responsible for ensuring they have all credits needed to graduate as well as any pre-requisites required for any post-secondary programs that their child is considering.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

As a reminder, Manitoba Provincial High School Diploma is earned when students have:

- earned 30 credits
- 6 credits must be at the grade 12 level
- compulsory credits are earned from 9-12 (English, Math, Phys. Ed)

POST-SECONDARY LINKS

University of Manitoba <https://umanitoba.ca/>
University of Winnipeg <https://www.uwinnipeg.ca/>
Red River College <https://www.rrc.ca/>

Manitoba Institute of Trades and Technology
<https://mitt.ca/>
Université de St. Boniface <https://ustboniface.ca/>

Brandon University <https://www.brandonu.ca/>
Assiniboine College <https://assiniboine.net/>

University College of the North <https://www.ucn.ca/>



POST-SECONDARY FINANCIAL SUPPORT RESOURCES

Manitoba Student Aid - Offers loans, grants, and bursaries to eligible students. The 2025/26 application is expected to launch in June 2025.

<https://www.scholarshipscanada.com/> - a comprehensive database of scholarships and bursaries across Canada.

<https://studentawards.com/> - Provides a searchable database of scholarships and bursaries, along with resources for evaluating campuses and choosing the right school.

Institution-Specific Scholarships - U of M, U of W, Brandon University, Assiniboine Community College, RRC, University College of the North, MITT provides various scholarships and bursaries based on financial need and academic achievement.