

Grad 2021 Parent Meeting

Thursday, May 6th

6:30 pm

<https://meet.google.com/gnq-pjut-qyc?hs=224>

Thank you for all your continued support and understanding as we navigate this Graduation under these current conditions. As our grads know **"Once A Bulldog, Always A Bulldog"**

We know this is an important milestone in the lives of our Grade 12's and despite the current COVID situation, our Grad Committee is working hard to plan a memorable graduation for our graduates. Of course, our planning will respect social distancing and adhere to the AHS guidelines so plans could change as needed as we get closer to the celebration. Please be patient with us as we adapt when needed.

GRADUATION CELEBRATION

Saturday, June 12, 2021

Bellerose Composite High School

Time: TBC

CURRENT AHS INDOOR/OUTDOOR RESTRICTIONS

Mandatory, additional restrictions for high case regions – Effective May 5

Indoor gatherings

All indoor gatherings remain prohibited.

Outdoor gatherings

All outdoor social gatherings must be limited to no more than 5 people and a maximum of 2 household cohorts.

Mandatory physical distancing must be maintained at all times between members of different households.

WHAT'S IN THE WORKS

Our Grad Committee has been meeting each Monday to plan a special celebration to recognize our students. Currently, the celebration will take place outside of Bellerose Composite High School.

A few of the finer details include:

- Graduates will be dressed in their cap and gown upon arriving at the school
- Icon Experience will be set up to take a formal picture of each student dressed in their cap and gown
- Graduates will receive their diploma while crossing the stage - photo opportunity available
- Field of dreams will be created and displayed
- Pizza/dessert/swag bags/lawn signs

GRAD GROUPINGS

As a result of current AHS guidelines, we are exploring the possibility of setting up an appointment booking system to secure a time slot for the graduating student (and family members) to attend the event. More information to follow.

GRAD GOWNS

Grads will be able to pick up their grad gowns from the school on Thursday, June 10th. More details to come regarding pick up. Grad gowns and stoles must be returned to the school no later than Monday, June 14th. A fee of \$140.00 will be assessed for gowns lost or not returned.

GRAD PHOTOS

We hope you had the opportunity to have your graduation portrait taken. We ask that all grads have their photo taken, even if they don't plan to attend the grad. *Note: Pictures taken by other photographers will not be accepted for the yearbook or composite or if you have chosen not to have a picture taken at all*

ICON has opened up grad photo appointments at their studio next week from Tuesday to Saturday. Yearbook deadlines are rapidly approaching so please let your grads know they can still book times.

To book an appointment:

1. Go to www.iconexp.com
2. Select the Book Now button
3. Select Icon Studio Portraits from the first drop down menu
4. Select the appropriate service from the drop down menu
5. Select your day and time from the available appointments

GRAD BABY PHOTOS

If you or your child have not submitted a baby photo already, please email a photo to bellebabypics2021@gmail.com

COMMENCEMENT FEE

\$100. The commencement fee will be used to cover the cost of such things as grad gowns, caps, tassels, stoles, diploma covers, diplomas, decorations, video recordings, Bulldog celebration swag bag, lawn signs and the list goes on.

A reconciliation will be done and any unused dollars after fundraising money is applied to the costs will be refunded to your account.

GRAD FUNDRAISING

The grads have done an outstanding job with fundraising this year so THANK YOU!

There have been requests to continue another month of Tupperware fundraising as they have some amazing specials on for the month of May. If you missed out previously, there is still time. This link can be shared and ordered from anyone in Canada and all items can get shipped to any address in Canada.

<https://my.tupperware.ca//JODIEMCFADZEN/Events?code=4100053113>

GOOGLE FORM - WILL YOUR CHILD BE ATTENDING THE CELEBRATION?

Following the meeting, a google form will be sent out to all grade 12 students asking if they plan to attend our celebration. We ask that all grade 12's complete this form.

Link to form:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe8TCw6nLyVfitdT99cGxK1QLWAu_K6A0wIBsN9RteXYq9k0w/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0&gxids=7628