



Graduation Meeting #1

Wednesday, Feb. 28 period 2

- ▶ Opening Prayer & Grad Retreat - Chaplain Dunn
- ▶ Principal's remarks - Mr. Roberts
- ▶ Graduation Requirements, Important Dates & Scholarships - Mrs. Little
- ▶ College & University info & Grad Photos - Mrs. Beltrano
- ▶ Apprenticeship Pathway, Trades Report and 5th Year Students - Mr. Montesi
- ▶ Yearbook Messages - Mrs. Jazvac
- ▶ Graduation Dinner/Dance - Ms. Tolan/Mrs. Benvenuto



Prayer for Discernment by Thomas Merton

(Chaplain Dunn Fave!)

MY LORD GOD, I have no idea where I am going.

I do not see the road ahead of me.

Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think that I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so.

But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you.

And I hope that I have that desire in all that I am doing.

I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire.

And I know that if I do this you will lead me by the right road though I may know nothing about it.

Therefore, will I trust in you always though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death.

I will not fear, for you are ever with me, and you will never leave me to face my perils alone.

Amen.



**Grad to
Know Ya
2024 Retreat
@ Mt Mary Ancaster
April 4, 2024
8:30-2:20**

Due: March 8th

**Sign up in Google
Classroom
Grad Chaplaincy
Code:**

ywd3wca







Mount Mary Retreat Centre, Ancaster

Thursday April 4 : 9:00 -2:00 pm

8:30 Attendance in Chapel

9:15 Arrival , Introduction, Icebreakers - Grad To Know Ya

10:00 Hike To Falls - Reflection & Grad to know ya!

10:45 - Snack

11:00 - Lifelines & Reflection

12:00 - BBQ Lunch (Provided)

1:00 - Campfire

2:00 - Depart



Relay For Life - Cancer Society

May 29th, 2024

- ▶ https://drive.google.com/file/d/13NUvorcBsyCYzfabdj01bxn_NkPi9gXy/view?usp=sharing
- ▶ May 29th - 1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- ▶ Teams of 10
- ▶ Fundraising Goal
- ▶ Games, entertainment,
- ▶ Team members to walk track (1 person always on the track)
- ▶ Fundraise for cancer research & have a legacy project for ND!

- **Principal Roberts**


Legacy...end strong

- ▶ **Return 12 students**

Be people of Gratitude

**“Wherever you go, go with
all your heart.” ...**



The background features a light blue sky with several black silhouettes of graduation caps (mortarboards) floating in the air. At the bottom, there are silhouettes of hands raised in celebration. The image is framed by green geometric shapes on the left and right sides.

Notre Dame Graduation 2024 Tuesday, June 25



Graduation Requirements



Completion of 30 credits - no repeat courses



Passing grade on OSSLT or OLC 40 course -next date March 27, 2024



Minimum 40 hours Community Service due June 1 (check Student Services for opportunities like...



VR Pro Inc. is looking for volunteers to assist with the 2024 Chilly Half Marathon on Sunday, March 3rd, 2024 in Burlington. This event is raising funds for Joseph Brant Hospital and is part of our \$250,000 fundraising commitment to them.

We are looking for volunteers who are available from 8:00AM – 2:00PM to help with the following roles:

- Racecourse Marshal
- Water station volunteer
- Handing out finish line medals
- Handing out fruit/water at finish line
- Waste management
- Race kit pick up and more!



Anyone who is interested should sign up at the link below, or email info@vrpro.ca

Sign up link - <https://raceroster.com/events/2024/65872/2024-chilly-half-marathon/volunteer>



Graduation Inclusions

- ▶ Cap and Gown keepsake
- ▶ 5 guest tickets to June 25 Graduation at FirstOntario Concert Hall (Hamilton)
- ▶ Flowers (bouquet or boutonniere)
- ▶ Reception following morning mass
- ▶ Diploma holder
- ▶ Grad Retreat subsidy





Pay for an item with
School Cash Online

2024 Graduation Fees

please submit
payment by May 1

\$120 per graduate



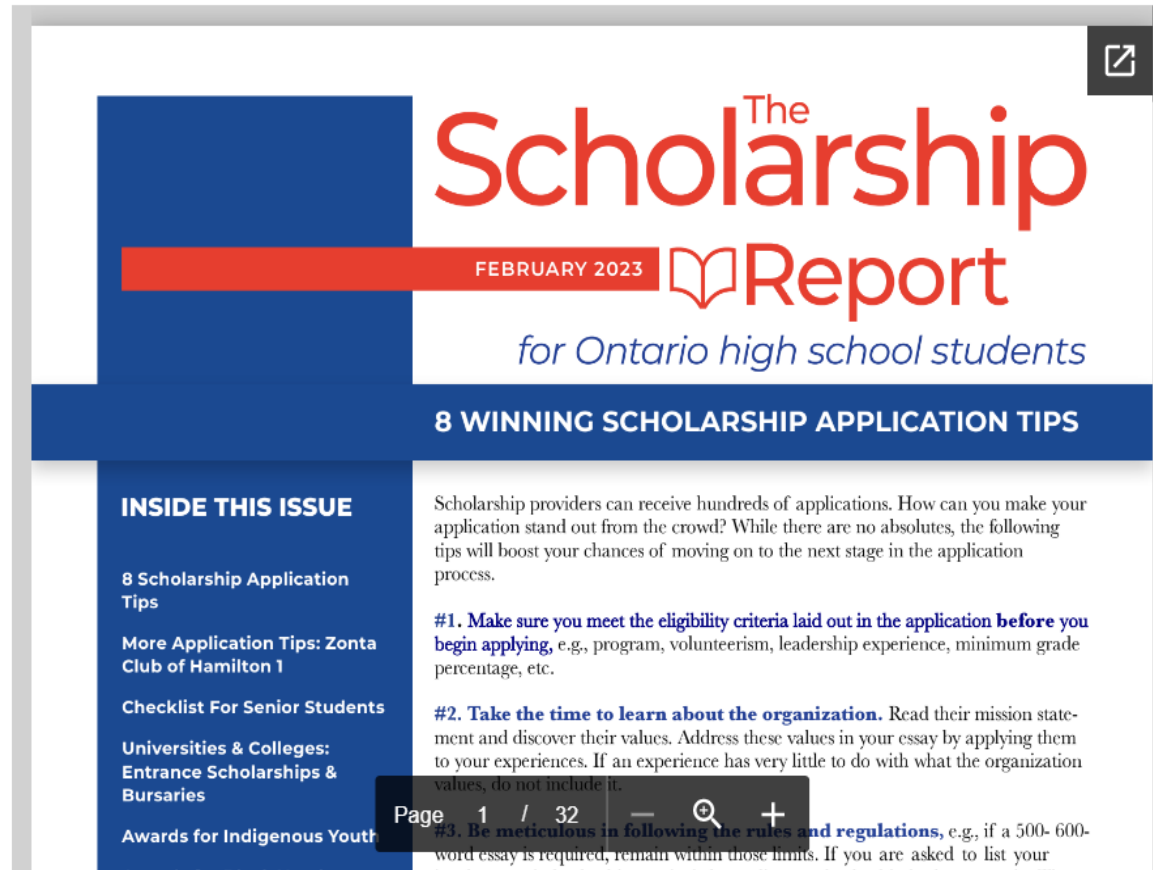


- ▶ **Scholarship Opportunities**
- ▶ **Financial Aid/Student Awards page of post-secondary institutions.**
- ▶ **Part-time job/employer (parent/guardian employer)**
- ▶ **Church, organizations you/parents belong to ex. Knights of Columbus**



THE SCHOLARSHIP REPORT

FEBRUARY ISSUE



The cover of 'The Scholarship Report' for February 2023 features a blue and red color scheme. The title 'The Scholarship Report' is prominently displayed in red, with 'The' in a smaller font above 'Scholarship'. Below the title, it says 'for Ontario high school students'. A red horizontal bar contains the text 'FEBRUARY 2023' and an open book icon. The main headline is '8 WINNING SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION TIPS'. A sidebar on the left lists 'INSIDE THIS ISSUE' with items like '8 Scholarship Application Tips', 'More Application Tips: Zonta Club of Hamilton 1', 'Checklist For Senior Students', 'Universities & Colleges: Entrance Scholarships & Bursaries', and 'Awards for Indigenous Youth'. The main text area contains an introductory paragraph and three numbered tips. A navigation bar at the bottom shows 'Page 1 / 32' and search icons.

The Scholarship Report

FEBRUARY 2023

for Ontario high school students

8 WINNING SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION TIPS

INSIDE THIS ISSUE

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Scholarship providers can receive hundreds of applications. How can you make your application stand out from the crowd? While there are no absolutes, the following tips will boost your chances of moving on to the next stage in the application process.

- #1. Make sure you meet the eligibility criteria laid out in the application before you begin applying,** e.g., program, volunteerism, leadership experience, minimum grade percentage, etc.
- #2. Take the time to learn about the organization.** Read their mission statement and discover their values. Address these values in your essay by applying them to your experiences. If an experience has very little to do with what the organization values, do not include it.
- #3. Be meticulous in following the rules and regulations,** e.g., if a 500- 600-word essay is required, remain within those limits. If you are asked to list your

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- **OFSAA (Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations) Character Athlete Award** - nomination by coach/teacher required - due April 12 \$500 x 4 (2 males, 2 females)
- **Disability Awards website** - hundreds of scholarships for students with visible/invisible disabilities





African Caribbean Council
OF HALTON

African Caribbean & Black Excellence Scholarship Award 2024

Our Criteria's

- ✓ Students who are of African or Caribbean & Black descents
- ✓ Resident of Halton Region & Attend High School in Halton Region
- ✓ Achieved the required Academic/Applied credits for entrance to a Post Secondary Institution
- ✓ Valid acceptance to an accredited post-secondary institution
- ✓ AND MORE

To Learn More About Our
Criteria's Visit:



OR EMAIL US @ >

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Got Talent?

We need you!!

Singers/musicians for
both morning
graduation mass and
evening ceremony.



Important Graduation Dates

- Graduation Meeting #2 - Tuesday, April 16
- period 1
- Grad Fees Due - Wednesday, May
1 \$120/graduate
- Grad to Know Ya Retreat - Thurs., April
4 Mount Mary Retreat Centre
- Graduation Rehearsal - Friday, May 24
9:45am ND Cafeteria
- Graduation Dinner Dance - Friday, May 24



Important Graduation Dates

- Mass for Graduates and Families Tuesday, June 25 @10am
St. Gabriel Parish
- Reception following family mass Tuesday, June 25 @11am
St. Gabriel Parish Hall
- Graduation 2024 Ceremony - FirstOntario Concert Hall Hamiton - Tuesday, June 25 7:30pm (arrive by 6:30) - entrance by ticket only



POST SECONDARY INFORMATION

Login to OUAC and OCAS websites to verify marks

- Semester 1 marks processed last week. See your counsellor if you notice an error

**Taking a course through Night school/
correspondence/private school?**

- Final grades need to be provided to your counsellor prior to **June 20**

Applications outside of Ontario

- Request transcripts from counsellor



Ontario Universities dates

May 29, 2024 - The latest date all applicants who met the January application deadline can expect a response from an Ontario University (acceptance, rejection or waitlist) - **read ALL CONDITIONAL offers carefully**

June 3 - earliest date you will be required to respond to an offer and give a financial commitment. Log in to your OUAC application to accept.

June 5 - OUAC will list all university programs with seats remaining - must have prerequisites and average cutoff



Ontario Colleges dates

May 1, 2024 - Deadline to confirm conditional offer of admission. Read ALL CONDITIONS carefully.

- Login to your Ontario Colleges account to **accept/confirm**

June 2024 - tuition deposits due at College. Check your selected college user account/email for details

It's not too late to apply - many programs still available



Grad Photos @ ND

LAST CHANCE

<https://booking.edgeimaging.ca/>

School Code: NAO

- ▶ New block of dates: **TUES. APRIL 9 & WED. APRIL 10**
- ▶ Photos will be included in the Yearbook and Graduate Composite

Book Appointment for Notre Dame Catholic Secondary School

Sitting Type

Select your sitting type by clicking on one of the options below:

Classic Sitting

\$35

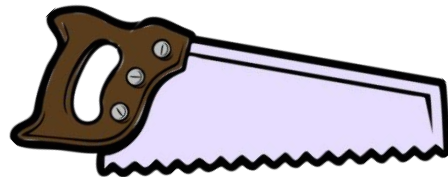
The Classic Sitting incorporates 10 poses, including props, on both contemporary and traditional backgrounds. In addition to your portrait session, you will also receive a graduating class composite. Please note that the sitting fee does not cover the cost of a printed photo order. Additional props may be available depending on regional safety procedures. If you have preferred props, please feel free to bring them. More information about Edge safety policy is available at edgeimaging.ca.



Skilled Trades Information



- **Trades Report** - The February edition is now out on the ND Student Services D2L page. Read up on emerging careers in the skilled trades, info on 4 trade sectors, scholarships, interviews and experiences of apprentices and much more.
- **Skills Trades Presentation - Thurs. April 18th**
Including an overview of the skilled trades, how the apprenticeship model works and short presentations from 6 colleges (Seneca, Humber, Centennial, George Brown, Georgian and Sheridan).



Skilled Trades Information (cont'd)

- **Gateway to the Trades** - this is a 5-week program covering skilled trades career awareness, health and safety training, numeracy skills for the trades, financial literacy, and job search training.
- **Get in Gear** - free skilled trades exploration program with 10 weeks paid training and 10 weeks paid work placements. Hands on training in three skilled trades: **construction, manufacturing, and electrical.**
- **Apprenticeship** - OYAP Construction



Returning to Notre Dame ?

- Complete the google form (D2L Student Services page) for administration approval.
- Once approved, log into **myBlueprint** to select: 3 courses per semester.
- Pay \$65 activity fee - school cash online.

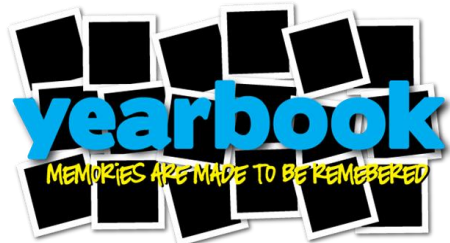



Graduation Yearbook Quote & Baby Photo

- ▶ Send your Grad quote and baby/childhood photo to:

<https://bit.ly/48mWGoQ>

- ▶ Grad quotes must be no longer than 180 characters
- ▶ Due May 1, 2024





Graduation Dinner Dance
Save the date
Friday, May 24, 2023



Graduation Dinner Dance Information

- ▶ Ticket cost **\$90**
- ▶ Google doc for table seating to be done during the week of **April 29 - May 3rd**
- ▶ <https://forms.gle/ZFCjSGsBauIMpkX79>
 - Choose a table leader to enter all of your names in. (**FIRST AND LAST**)
 - Table of 10 will be seated first
 - If you have a table that is less than 10 please submit and we will seat you accordingly
 - **DIETARY RESTRICTIONS** - if you have any - please indicate this on the google doc form.
 - Guest forms must be picked up and signed **BEFORE** you can get a physical ticket. Forms will be available in the main office. No guest ticket will be given **WITHOUT** a signed form.



Graduation Dinner Dance Information continued...

- ▶ Ticket sales: **Monday May 6 - Friday May 10** through school cash online
- ▶ Pick up your physical tickets from **Monday May 20 - Wednesday May 22** in the spectrum on your lunch



Grad Dinner Dance Slideshow

- Hello grade 12's we are part of the grad committee in the business leadership class!!
- Please send appropriate photos of memories with you and your friends throughout the year in and outside of school
- Photos can be sent to us at
 - Ndgrad24@gmail.com

