

Graduation Meeting #2 - Tuesday, April 16, 2024

- ▶ Opening Prayer/Welcome – Principal Roberts
- ▶ Post-Secondary Information – Mrs. Beltrano
- ▶ Accessibility Services (Post-Secondary)– Ms. Piantoni
- ▶ Community Service/Volunteer Week/Exit Survey– Mr. Montesi
- ▶ Graduation Info Items– Mrs. Little-Velianou
- ▶ ND Excellence Awards – Sam and Greyson
- ▶ Yearbook Photos – Ms. Jazvac
- ▶ Graduation Dinner/Dance- Amira and Sloan



Principal
Roberts



Prayer for Discernment by Thomas Merton

(Chaplain Dunn)

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 Mass- Tuesday, June 25

St. Gabriel Parish 10:00 a.m.

- ▶ Musicians/ Singers -Chaplain Dunn, Ms. Liota
 - Thurs. April 25 2:20 Practice @ Music Room
- ▶ Readers: 7 Needed
- ▶ Introduction/Welcome (1 Reader)
- ▶ First Reading (1 Reader)
- ▶ Responsorial Psalm (1 Reader)
- ▶ Petitions (2 Readers)
- ▶ Thank You & Graduation Prayer (2 Readers)
- ▶ Family reception (St. Gabriel Parish Hall) @ 11:00 a.m.
- ▶ E-mail dunnb@hcdsb.org to sign up



POST SECONDARY INFORMATION

- Semester 2 mid-term grades will be sent to OUAC and OCAS after **April 18**
 - **Check your email** - OUAC/OCAS will send you an email to **verify your grades** before they are sent to the post-secondary schools you have applied to
- Night school/correspondence/private courses
- Request transcripts if applying outside of Ontario
- See Mrs. McManus in Student Services
- Last day to drop a class is **April 24**



Important



Ontario Universities dates

May 29 - The latest date all applicants who met the January application deadline can expect a response from an Ontario University (offer, rejection, waitlist)

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.

- Residence applications - due dates vary - most are June 1
- Planning on deferring? You must accept an offer first! Each university has different policies. See your guidance counsellor for help

June 5 - OUAC lists programs with seats remaining. Use the AIS (Admission Information Service) to find possible openings

- OSSD, Six 4U/M, avg. 60% (higher is required)



Ontario Colleges dates

May 1 - Deadline to confirm offer of admission. Log in to your Ontario Colleges account to accept/confirm - *they may ask for your Social Insurance Number for income tax purposes*

May/June - residence applications/deposits - see your College offer and/or email for dates

June 1 - tuition deposits due - see your College offer and/or email for dates

It is not too late to apply - many programs still available - Go to ontariocolleges.ca



Accessibility Services at Post Secondary

- When you receive your offer of acceptance to College or University, please make an appointment with Accessibility Services at the College or University
- Please meet with your ND SERT to pick up a copy of your IEP and other documentation in early June.
- Bring your IEP and documentation to the appointment at your College/University. Accessibility Services will review the documentation and determine the accommodations that will be provided for you.
- Transition Resource Guide - <https://www.transitionresourceguide.ca/>
- If you plan on returning to Notre Dame in September, your IEP will continue

National Volunteer Week Canada

April 14 - 20, 2024

It highlights the importance of every volunteer and each contribution they make at a moment when we need support more than ever. The sharing of time, skills, empathy, and creativity is vital to the inclusivity, strength, and wellbeing of our communities.



Community Service

- 40 Hours required by June 1st
- **MANDATORY** requirement to graduate and get your OSSD.

PROCESS

- Prior to beginning any Community Involvement Activity, students must complete the top part of the Community Involvement Activity Form and bring this to their guidance counsellor for pre-approval.
- All proposed activities **MUST BE** pre-approved by your counsellor prior to starting your volunteering.
- Once approved, you may begin your community involvement.
- When completed, fill out the remaining portion of the community involvement activity form and submit to student services.

What are my options?

- Non-profit volunteer opportunities can be found in local museums, art galleries, humane society, food banks, public library, nursing homes, churches, hospitals, sports clubs, rec centres and more.
- Recent opportunities: Brant Hills Community Centre, Habitat for Humanity, Burlington Soccer/Baseball Clubs, St. Paul the Apostle Parish bbq.
- Be sure to visit the ND website and ND Student Services D2L for more information. See your Guidance Counsellor for more details.

Grade 12 - Exit Survey (myBlueprint)

The Grade 12 Exit Survey is now open in myBlueprint. Students are now encouraged to complete this brief survey providing us with valuable educational feedback.

To access go into myBlueprint:

Under **Home** select **Dashboard** and then you will find the Exit Survey to complete.

The screenshot displays the myBlueprint user interface. On the left is a dark blue navigation sidebar with the following menu items: Home (with a home icon and an upward arrow), Dashboard, Tasks, Class Activities, Goals, Portfolios, Who Am I (with a person icon), High School (with a school icon), Continuing Education (with a book icon), Post-Secondary (with a graduation cap icon and a downward arrow), Work (with a briefcase icon and a downward arrow), Money (with a dollar sign icon), Guides (with a document icon), and Favourites (with a heart icon). The main content area has a white header with the title "Home" and a sub-header with tabs for "Dashboard" (selected), "Tasks", "Class Activities", "Goals", and "Portfolios". Below this is a dark grey section titled "Complete your IPP Tasks" featuring a progress bar showing "3 of 8 Completed" and a description: "Individual Pathways Plan (IPP) Tasks help you plan your education and career while earning points for prize draws." There are two buttons: "View All Tasks" and "Show Prizes". A white notification box on the right says "High School • Plan" and "Ensure Your Plan Fulfills All Requirements" with a "100 points" reward icon and left/right navigation arrows. At the bottom, a blue banner contains a downward arrow icon, the text "Complete your Grade 12 Exit Survey and get some bonus points", and a "Complete Survey" button. Below the banner, a section titled "High School Progress" contains a link for "Official High School Plan".

A celebratory graphic for a graduation event. The background is a gradient of light blue and grey, with a large green abstract shape on the right side. Silhouettes of graduation caps are scattered across the upper half, and silhouettes of raised hands are at the bottom. The text 'Graduation 2024' and 'Tuesday, June 25' is written in a light green font.

Graduation 2024

Tuesday, June 25



FirstOntario Concert Hall Hamilton

Ceremony 7:30pm gradu
ates are asked to arrive
by 6:30pm

Entrance by ticket only.
5 guest tickets/graduate

Have you paid your grad
fees? Due by May 1!

Graduation Gown package
and guest tickets
distributed first week in
June

Local Scholarship Opportunities

❖ Burlington Lakeshore Rotary

Scholarships — 12 available. \$2500 (academic, specialty, athletic, vocational, leap ahead)- apply by May 1. D2L Student Services for details

- ## ❖ District 15 Halton Retired Teacher's Academic Spirit Award (open to all HCDSB graduates) \$1500- grades are not primary consideration. Community involvement while **overcoming an obstacle to learning.** D2L Student Services for details



❖ **HCCF –Halton Catholic Children's Foundation Award** – 2 x \$500 bursaries available. Financial need and excelled at CGE'S — complete Awards Consideration doc on D2L to be considered.

❖ **Our Lady of Good Counsel Award**

❖ **Donated by St. Paul the Apostle CWL**
\$400- Open to all Catholic female students.
One-page essay required. (May 6 deadline)

❖ Details/application information in Student Services

Over 290 scholarships available for students with physical disabilities



<https://services.easterseals.org/other-programs/scholarships/>

Have you supported your community?

**Do you plan on studying
commerce, business or accounting?**

**Apply to the SB Partners
Education Scholarship
today!**



www.dtby.ca/sbp



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Deadline for applications: April 30, 2024.



Graduation Awards

- ▶ Over 40 Available
- ▶ Various Criteria – not just academic grades
- ▶ Interested in being considered?
- ▶ Complete the Graduation Awards Consideration form on D2L Student Services





**Interested in
Representing the Class
of 2024 as
Valedictorian?**

**Must demonstrate the "Notre
Dame Way" - effort,
attendance, attitude.**

**Pick up a Valedictorian
Consideration Form from
Student Services if
interested.**

**Voting will take place mid-
May**

Visit D2L Student Services for your Graduation To Do items!!

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL hcdsb.elearningontario.ca/d2l/home/16230277. The page header includes the Halton Catholic District School Board logo and the text "Notre Dame Student Services". The user's name, "Alyson Little-Velianou", is displayed in the top right corner. Below the header is a navigation bar with icons for Course Home, Google Classroom, Content, Discussions, Portfolio, Assessment Tools, Groups, and Classlist. A large banner image shows a desk with a laptop and a sign that reads "Notre Dame Student Services". Below the banner are three panels: "Announcements" with a post titled "Financing your Post-Secondary education items!! Need money??", "Updates" showing "81 New Emails", and "Calendar". The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows the date as 4/11/2024 and the time as 9:54 AM.

ND Excellence Awards



Awarded to individuals who demonstrate leadership and excellence and are involved in the school community.

There are 4 categories for nomination:

- 1. Current Student/Graduate**
- 2. Past Student/Graduate**
- 3. Current Faculty Member**
- 4. Past Faculty Member**



How to nominate?

The QR code directs you to the 'ND Excellence Awards' page on the Notre Dame website. It will also be posted attached on the Linktree in the @insidend instagram bio!

The nomination deadline is May 1st, 2024.



Yearbook Grad Quote

- Yearbook quote should be no longer than 180 characters.
- You can quote an artist, author, movie, TV show or just provide your own original thoughts. Credit the source if possible.
- Remember to adhere to our catholic school values, and as always – Keep it classy Notre Dame!
- Grad Baby photos are optional.



All submissions can be submitted via the
Yearbook Grad Quote & Baby Photo Google Form
on D2L- Student Services

Any questions or changes to submissions, please contact:

Yearbook@my.ntdm.ca

Submission deadline:

May 1, 2024



Graduation Dinner Dance



Grad Dinner Dance Details

When: Friday, May 24th

Where: Burlington Convention Centre

Ticket Sales: Mon May 6-Fri May 10

Cost: \$90 per person

Payment: School Cash Online

Limit: 2 tickets per person

Ticket Pickup: Mon May 20 - Wed May 22 on your lunch. Please bring proof of payment and guest form



Grad Dinner Dance Details

Guests:

- A signed Guest Form must be presented at Ticket Sales for a Guest Ticket to be issued.
- Guests include: any ND students not in Gr. 12, any returning Gr. 12 students, and any guests not from Notre Dame CSS
- These can be found in the main office

Tables/Seating: <https://forms.gle/fpzyxG46HNQEGXtb8>

- 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
- Seats will not be held for individuals who have not paid

Dietary Restrictions:

- Please confirm this information for yourself and your guest when you pick up your tickets



Grad Dinner Dance Details

This is a school sanctioned event:

- There are NO IN-OUT privileges at the Grad Dance
- No students are to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs, nor are these to be on the premises
- There will be no smoking/vaping (these will be confiscated at the door and will not be returned)

Your Grad Dinner Dance Committee has been working hard and are excited to host a safe and memorable event for your graduating class!



NEXT STEPS



- ▶ **\$120 Grad Fee due May 1st (graduation cap/gown will be ordered based on payment) - schoolcashonline**
- ▶ **Complete the Graduation Awards Consideration Form on D2L Student Services (if applicable)**
- ▶ **Apply for a scholarship or two - free \$\$\$\$- Scholarship Report on D2L**
- ▶ **OSAP info session - May 10 lunch3A in Lecture Hall**
- ▶ **Nominate a worthy candidate for an Excellence Award!- form on ND website**
- ▶ **Submit your Yearbook Grad Quote/Baby photo (optional)- D2L Student Services for link**
- ▶ **Buy your ticket to the Dinner/Dance and complete table form - D2L**



Graduation Rehearsal

Friday, May 24

9:45am

Notre Dame Cafeteria