



TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2026

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# GRADUATION MEETING #2

CLASS OF 2026



OPENING PRAYER/GRAD MASS - CHAPLAIN DUNN

ADMINISTRATION ITEMS - MS. COOK

POST-SECONDARY INFORMATION - MRS. SALIBA

ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES - MRS. DICKSON

COMMUNITY SERVICE/EXIT SURVEY - MR. MONTESI

GRADUATION AND SCHOLARSHIPS - MRS. BELTRANO

YEARBOOK INFORMATION - MRS. JAZVAC

EXCELLENCE AWARDS - BUSINESS LEADERSHIP - NADIA IRFAN

GRADUATION DINNER & DANCE - BUSINESS LEADERSHIP -

TAVIA CLARKE



# 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 - FRIDAY, JUNE 19 @ 10AM - ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE PARISH

- MUSICIANS/SINGERS - CHAPLAIN DUNN, MS. LIOTA
  - GRAD MASS - ALL ARE WELCOME
  - GRAD CEREMONY - CHOOSE A SONG SUITABLE FOR GRAD AUDITION-  
STAY AFTER ASSEMBLY TO SIGN UP FOR BOTH
- SERVERS
- READERS
- INTRODUCTION/WELCOME
- FIRST READING
- RESPONSORIAL PSALM
- PETITIONS
- THANK YOU & GRADUATION PRAYER
- FAMILY RECEPTION (ST. PAUL'S PARISH HALL)



# POST SECONDARY INFORMATION

- SEMESTER 2 MID-TERM GRADES WILL BE SENT TO OUAC/OCAS BEFORE APRIL 24
- 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 WITH HCDSB – GRADES ARE AUTOMATICALLY ENTERED
- PRIVATE ONLINE COURSES – MIDTERMS/FINAL GRADES MUST BE SHARED WITH YOUR GUIDANCE COUNSELLOR TO ADD TO OUAC/OCAS



# POST SECONDARY INFORMATION

- FINAL GRADES FOR PRIVATE ONLINE COURSE - MUST BE RECEIVED IN GUIDANCE NO LATER THAN THURSDAY, JUNE 18 - IT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED THE FINAL EXAM IS WRITTEN THE WEEK OF JUNE 8
- APPLYING OUTSIDE OF ONTARIO? IF YOU REQUIRE A CREDIT STATUS AND/OR TRANSCRIPT, SEE MRS. MCMANUS IN STUDENT SERVICES



# ONTARIO UNIVERSITIES DATES

- **MAY 28** – THE LATEST DATE ALL APPLICANTS WHO MET THE JANUARY APPLICATION DEADLINE CAN EXPECT A RESPONSE (OFFER, REFUSAL, OR WAITLISTED) AND GIVE A FINANCIAL COMMITMENT (REGISTRATION AND/OR RESIDENCE DEPOSIT)
- **JUNE 1** – THE DEADLINE TO RESPOND TO AN OFFER AND GIVE A FINANCIAL COMMITMENT.  
LOG IN TO YOUR OUAC APPLICATION TO ACCEPT.
- **JUNE** – OUAC LISTS PROGRAMS WITH SEATS REMAINING. USE THE AIS (ADMISSION INFORMATION SERVICE) TO FIND POSSIBLE OPENINGS
  - OSSD, SIX 4U/M BY AUGUST 2026,
  - AVG. 60% (HIGHER IS REQUIRED)



- "ALL OTHER ADMISSION-RELATED ELEMENTS, INCLUDING SCHOLARSHIPS, OTHER FORMS OF STUDENT ASSISTANCE OR FINANCIAL INCENTIVES, AND OFFERS OF RESIDENCE, ARE CONSIDERED PART OF THE OFFER OF ADMISSION" (FROM OUAC)
- RESIDENCE APPLICATIONS – DUE DATES VARY – CHECK YOUR EMAIL OR STUDENT PORTAL FOR DETAILS
- PLANNING ON DEFERRING? YOU MUST ACCEPT AN OFFER FIRST! EACH UNIVERSITY HAS DIFFERENT POLICIES. SEE YOUR GUIDANCE COUNSELLOR FOR HELP



# ONTARIO COLLEGES DATES

- **MAY 1** – DEADLINE TO CONFIRM OFFER OF ADMISSION. LOG IN TO YOUR ONTARIO COLLEGES ACCOUNT TO ACCEPT/CONFIRM
- **MAY/JUNE** – RESIDENCE APPLICATIONS/DEPOSITS – SEE YOUR COLLEGE OFFER AND/OR EMAIL FOR DATES
- **JUNE** – TUITION DEPOSITS DUE TO SECURE YOUR SPOT IN YOUR PROGRAM – SEE YOUR COLLEGE OFFER AND/OR EMAIL FOR DATES
- \*CHECK YOUR COLLEGE PORTAL FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
- IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO APPLY – MANY PROGRAMS STILL AVAILABLE – GO TO [ONTARIOCOLLEGES.CA](http://ONTARIOCOLLEGES.CA) – SOME COLLEGES HAVE WINTER/SPRING START DATES AS ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS



# ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES AT POST SECONDARY

Once you receive an offer from a Post-Secondary Institution:

- Transition Resource Guide – will tell you what documentation the school you are attending will require <https://www.transitionresourceguide.ca/>
- Meet with your ND SERT to pick up a copy of your IEP and other documentation by early June
- Contact Accessibility Services at your Post-Secondary Institution to set up an appointment
- Bring your IEP and documentation to the appointment. Accessibility Services will review the documentation and determine the accommodations that will be provided to you



APRIL 19TH – 25TH, 2026

IT HIGHLIGHTS THE POWER, IMPACT  
AND IMPORTANCE OF INDIVIDUAL  
AND COLLECTIVE VOLUNTEER EFFORTS  
ACROSS CANADA.

EACH INDIVIDUAL VOLUNTEER  
CONTRIBUTION, BIG OR SMALL,  
CREATES MOMENTUM AND HAS THE  
POWER TO INFLUENCE AND INSPIRE,  
JOINING A WAVE OF POSITIVE  
CHANGE.

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK IS A  
CHANCE TO HIGHLIGHT THE VALUE OF  
VOLUNTEERS AND THEIR POSITIVE  
IMPACT ON SOCIETY.



# COMMUNITY SERVICE

- 40 HOURS REQUIRED BY JUNE 1<sup>st</sup>
- 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, HUMAN NATURE PROJECTS, LIGHTHOUSE RUN,
- 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, Dashboard, Tasks, Class Activities, Goals, Portfolios, Who Am I, High School, Continuing Education, Post-Secondary, Work, Money, Guides, and Favourites. The main content area is titled 'Home' and includes sub-navigation for Dashboard, Tasks, Class Activities, Goals, and Portfolios. A central section titled 'Complete your IPP Tasks' shows a progress bar for '3 of 8 Completed' and a 'View All Tasks' button. To the right, a 'High School Plan' card prompts the user to 'Ensure Your Plan Fulfills All Requirements' and offers '100 points'. At the bottom, a blue banner contains the text 'Complete your Grade 12 Exit Survey and get some bonus points' and a 'Complete Survey' button. Below this banner, there is a 'High School Progress' section with a link to the 'Official High School Plan'.



GRADUATION  
EVENTS  
JUNE 2026



# SAVE THE DATES

- GRAD FEES DUE - APRIL 30 - \$135/GRADUATE
- GRADUATION REHEARSAL – THURSDAY, MAY 21 @ 10AM  
CAFETERIA
- GRADUATION DINNER DANCE – FRIDAY, MAY 22 (\$125PP)
- MASS FOR GRADUATES AND FAMILIES FRIDAY, JUNE 19  
@10AM ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE PARISH
- RECEPTION FOLLOWING FAMILY MASS FRIDAY, JUNE 19  
@11AM ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE PARISH HALL



# GRADUATION 2026

FIRST ONTARIO CONCERT HALL HAMILTON

CEREMONY @ 3PM - GRADUATES ARE ASKED TO ARRIVE BY  
2PM

ENTRANCE BY TICKET ONLY.  
5 GUEST TICKETS/GRADUATE

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR GRAD FEES? DUE BY APRIL 30!

GRADUATION GOWN PACKAGE, GRAD GIFT\*,  
INVITATION & GUEST TICKETS DISTRIBUTED JUNE 9-JUNE 11



INTERESTED IN REPRESENTING THE  
CLASS OF 2026  
AS VALEDICTORIAN?

- MUST DEMONSTRATE THE "NOTRE DAME WAY" - EFFORT, ATTENDANCE, ATTITUDE.
- PICK UP A VALEDICTORIAN CONSIDERATION FORM IN STUDENT SERVICES IF INTERESTED – ALSO AVAILABLE ON D2L
- VOTING WILL TAKE PLACE AFTER THE LAST GRAD MEETING IN MAY.



# FINANCING POST SECONDARY EDUCATION

- PART-TIME EMPLOYMENT
- OSAP (ONTARIO STUDENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM)
- CANADA APPRENTICE LOANS
- SCHOLARSHIPS/BURSARIES/AWARDS



# OSAP

- COMBINATION OF GRANTS + LOANS (BASED ON ELIGIBILITY-CHANGES TO THE CALCULATION\*)
- APPLY IN LATE SPRING (ONCE PROGRAM CONFIRMED)
- LEARN MORE ON APRIL 20 IN THE ND LECTURE HALL (BOTH LUNCHEES)





- ELIGIBLE APPRENTICES CAN ACCESS EI WHILE ATTENDING TECHNICAL TRAINING
- CANADA APPRENTICE LOAN (CAL) - ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR UP TO \$20 000 IN INTEREST- FREE LOANS OVER THE COURSE OF YOUR TRAINING
- ONTARIO TOOLS GRANT



VISIT THE SCHOLARSHIP REPORT ON D2L STUDENT SERVICES FOR HUNDREDS OF OPPORTUNITIES





## CANADIAN HEARING SERVICES

- [HTTPS://WWW.CHS.CA/SCHOLARSHIP-APPLICATION](https://www.chs.ca/scholarship-application)
- UP TO \$3000 OPEN TO CANADIAN RESIDENTS WHO ARE DEAF, DEAFBLIND, OR HARD OF HEARING
- DEADLINE: APRIL 24



Scholarship opportunity for accounting students attending a Burlington high school

# SB Partners Education Scholarship

Are you a Burlington high school student studying accounting, business or commerce at the post-secondary level in the fall of 2026?

[SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION TODAY!](#)



DEADLINE TO APPLY: APRIL 30, 2026



## ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

APPLICANTS MUST:

- BE REGISTERED WITHIN THE OHF (OMHA, GTHL, ALLIANCE, NOHA, OWHA, OHL) DURING THE 2025–2026 SEASON
- HAVE BEEN REGISTERED FOR THREE (3) OF THE LAST FOUR (4) SEASONS WITH THE OHF AS A PLAYER, TRAINER, COACH, OR OFFICIAL
- BE IN GOOD STANDING WITH THE OHF
- BE ATTENDING A CANADIAN POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTION

ALL PARTICIPANTS (PLAYERS, COACHES, AND OFFICIALS) WITHIN EACH OHF MEMBER ARE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY.



DEADLINE TO APPLY: MAY 1, 2026

# PORT NELSON YOUTH AWARD

DEADLINE TO APPLY:  
MAY 1, 2026



**Have you made your school  
or community more **INCLUSIVE?****

Graduating Halton students heading to post-secondary can apply for a \$1,000 Youth Award recognizing leadership in 2SLGBTQIA+ inclusion, accessibility, and diversity.

Scan the QR code  
for details! →



## GRADUATION AWARDS

- 35+ AVAILABLE
- VARIOUS CRITERIA – NOT JUST ACADEMIC GRADES
- INTERESTED IN BEING CONSIDERED?
- COMPLETE THE GRADUATION AWARDS CONSIDERATION FORM ON D2L STUDENT SERVICES



# VISIT D2L STUDENT SERVICES FOR YOUR GRADUATION TO DO ITEMS!!

## Notre Dame Student Services

### Announcements ▾

#### ND Grade 12 Return Request Form 2026-2027 ▾ ×

Gabriel Montesi posted on Feb 23, 2026 8:14 PM

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Please complete the Notre Dame CSS Grade 12 Return Request Form for the 2026 - 2027 school year if you are interested in returning. Your respective Vice Principal will review your request with you prior to approval.

<https://forms.gle/xCnfhoMx2hRXbhmw5>

#### Graduation 2026 - Information and To-Do Items ▾ ×

Gina Beltrano posted on Mar 31, 2026 8:01 AM

Attention Class of 2026 - Are you an award worthy graduate? Have you excelled in a certain area (volunteering? academic? extra-curricular)?

If so, complete the [Graduation Awards Self Nominating Form](#) by Monday, May 4 to be considered for one of our many graduation awards.

[Yearbook Grad Quote & Baby Photo Google Form](#)  
deadline May 1, 2026

Would you like to represent the Class of 2026 as valedictorian? More details at our April Graduation meeting. Here is the application for [Class of 2026 Valedictorian Application](#)





## 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**

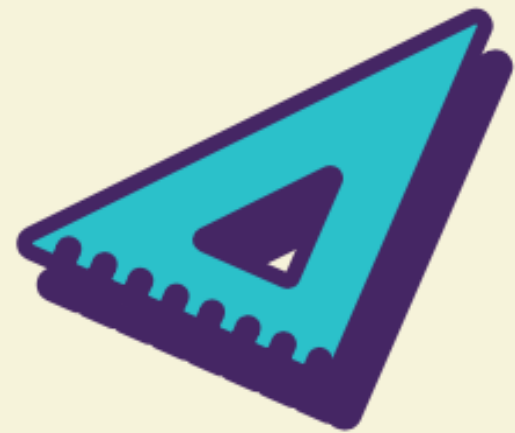
Submission deadline:  
**May 1, 2026**



# Notre Dame Excellence Awards



Awarded to Individuals who demonstrate leadership and excellence



There are Four categories for nomination:

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



# Notre Dame Excellence Awards

## How to Nominate:

The QR code will take you to a google form where you can nominate individuals. The google form will also be posted on the @ndbusinessleadership, @Insidend, and @ndguidance\_hcdsb [instagram linktree](#).



**Deadline for Nominations is MAY 1st**





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# GRADUATION DINNER DANCE

Friday, May 22nd , 2026



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# SAVE THE DATE

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## WHEN

- **Friday, May 22nd, 2026**  
**6pm - 10pm**

## WHO

- **Up to 2 tickets per person**

## WHERE

- **Burlington Convention  
Centre.**  
**1120 Burloak Dr, Burlington,  
ON**
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# INFORMATION

**Ticket Cost: \$125**

- **Ticket Sales are open NOW on school cash online**  
(If there are any financial accommodations needing to be met, please see Ms. Benvenuto)

## SEATING ARRANGEMENTS

- **Assign one person as your table leader**  
(First and Last names)
- **Tables of 10 will be seated first**
- **If you have less than 10 people submit your forms and you will be seated accordingly**





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# INFORMATION

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**DIETARY RESTRICTIONS:** If you have any please indicate on the google form

- **Guest forms must be picked up and signed BEFORE you get a physical ticket**

**Guest forms can be found outside room 248**

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# PHOTO + VIDEO SLIDESHOW

- Please use school appropriate photos
- PHOTOS AND VIDEOS OF YOU AND FRIENDS OVER YOUR HIGH SCHOOL EXPERIENCE
- If there is any issue with the form you can submit your photos to [ndgraduation26@gmail.com](mailto:ndgraduation26@gmail.com)

Submission Form



# NEXT STEPS

- **\$135 GRAD FEE** DUE APRIL 30 (GRADUATION CAP/GOWN WILL BE ORDERED BASED ON PAYMENT) - SCHOOLCASHONLINE
- COMPLETE THE GRADUATION AWARDS CONSIDERATION FORM ON D2L STUDENT SERVICES (IF APPLICABLE)
- APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS – FREE \$\$\$\$- SCHOLARSHIP REPORT
- OSAP INFO SESSION – APRIL 20 BOTH LUNCHESES IN LECTURE HALL



## NEXT STEPS

- 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 DINNER/DANCE TICKET (ADDITIONAL \$125) AND COMPLETE GOOGLE TABLE FORM





# GRADUATION MEETING #3

THURSDAY, MAY 21 @ 10AM – CAFETERIA/LECTURE HALL

- GRAD CEREMONY –REHEARSAL
- VALEDICTORIAN UPDATES
- GRAD DINNER & DANCE UPDATES