Grad 2023 Information Session

Grad - June 26, 2023

Introductions:

- Fallon Campbell & Andrea Schutz, Teachers
- Convocation Coordinators and Grad Liaisons
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The School's Role

- To organize and coordinate the Warren Collegiate Convocation which takes place at the Sunova Arena in Warren, on Monday, June 2, 2023 @ 2:30pm
- Collect and manage the \$75 grad fee
- Organize arena rental, grad gowns, convocation invitations, decorations, and rentals
- Organize grad clothing, grad jewelry meeting (TBD) and grad pictures (April 11-13, 2023) at WCI
- Organize the vote for speakers: valedictorian, grace, toast to the parents, toast to the staff, toast to the students (a parent)

WCI Student Grad Committee:

TBD

Role of Grad Committee

- Relay information from the parent committee in regards to decisions that need to be made (dinner menu, entertainment, themes, etc.) to the whole grad class, so that opinions are gathered and voted upon.
- Results will be sent back to the parent committee.
- They will remind their classmates about meetings, help coordinate and plan convocation with the help of their classmates.

Role of the Graduate

- Responsible to attend meetings when they are called
- Are invited to share their opinion, to vote when needed to ensure their voices are represented, and to manage their feelings of contentment or disappointment with decisions, in a mature manner
- Social Media is not an appropriate place to share frustration
- If there are questions or concerns regarding decisions made, **PLEASE** discuss them with Mrs. Schutz, Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Perrella, Mr. Oliver or the Parent Committee Chair (to be named).

Convocation

- Monday, June 26, 2023
- 12:30 pm: **Grads** will arrive at the Warren Sunova Arena
- 12:45 pm: Formal photo is taken by Lifetouch
- 1:00 pm: Rehearsal, processional and recessional, seating charts, stage
- 2:00 pm: Grads will gather in the change rooms and dress in their caps and gowns, Arena is open for guests, parents, and community members
- 2:30 pm: Convocation Ceremony begins

Seating at the Arena

- The front rows (4-6) are reserved for PARENTS/GUARDIANS, parents/guardians are given separate tickets for these seats.
 There are ushers to help parents locate these seats.
- The remaining floor seats are for family and escorts
- The balcony seats are for community members
- We have not limited the floor seats before, but we will request ticket numbers at the beginning of May and GRADS will be given tickets for PARENT and FAMILY seating

After Convocation... Dinner/Social

Dinner

- Location can be voted upon by the graduating class.
- The Parent Committee will either decide or will ask the students for input regarding location and menu. Mrs. Schutz & Mrs. Campbell will host the vote, for the location, if necessary. **This is usually decided ASAP**
- Grace, Toast to the Parents, Toast to the Teachers, and Toast to the Grads, takes place here.
- The cost for this is paid for through parent committee fundraising initiatives and dinner tickets.

Dance/Social

- Location can be the same venue as the Dinner (this was the case in 2022).
- The parent committee will decide or will ask graduating class for input regarding location and THEME. Mrs. Schutz & Mrs. Campbell can host the vote if necessary.
- **Location should be decided ASAP, Theme in the new year.**
- The cost for this is paid for through parent committee fundraising initiatives and dance/social tickets.

Parent Committee

Responsible for the organization and coordination of:

- Dinner
- Dance/Social
- Collecting the fees for the Dinner & Dance/Social

Parent Committee

- Has an executive and then a variety of smaller sub-committees, each
 of which are responsible to the parent chair.
- Meet at various times during the year, some with grads, some without.
- Please inform one or two of the grad committee members of meetings, to ensure clear communication between the parent committees and the graduating class.
- The school CANNOT provide student, parent, or family contact information, this is a violation of PHIPA.
- We can send out Synervoice messages on your behalf regarding meetings or upcoming due dates.



Safe Grad Information for Parents/Guardians

Safe Grad Seminar, Saturday, November 19, 2022 (Victoria Inn, Winnipeg)

This informative half-day seminar equips schools and graduation committees with pertinent information to plan and host an enjoyable and incident free graduation celebration. Presentations offered at the seminar include planning a Safe Grad, an overview of the committee's responsibilities under the Liquor, Gaming and Cannabis Authority of Manitoba's Control Act and a review of the Liability Insurance Coverage and Application process required of every school hosting a Safe Grad celebration.

 Committees who have further questions related to Safe Grad are able to send inquiries to safegrad@mbschoolboards.ca. In-person or virtual discussions are also available if required.



Parent Committee 2023 TBA

Fundraising Opportunities:

- 1) Mom's Pantry funds towards the cost of Convocation, run by the school
- 2) Prairie Roots Co-Op Week Marquette Lunch

Questions, Concerns..?