

Henry Wise Wood High School - Home of Artists, Scholars and Champions
GRADUATION 2023 – DECEMBER 2022 NEWSLETTER

The Grad 2023 Committee is currently in the early stages of planning for this year's Grad. The committee consists of the following staff members:

- Ms. Jones (Grad Committee Advisor)
- Ms. Belliveau (Grad Committee Advisor)
- Ms. Smyth (Principal/Grad Advisor)
- Mr. Barile (Assistant Principal/Grad Advisor)
- Mr. Cancilla (Valedictorian Selection Committee, Speech Coach)
- Ms. Becker (Grad list, Programme preparation, ceremony organization and set up etc.)
- Ms. Squires (Grad Video)

GRAD 2023 COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The following students will be representing the graduating Class of 2023:

Anas A.	Hazem E.	Sanuda R.
Joshua B.	Naman M.	Sara S.
Om C.	Shraavni P.	Sarosh S.

GRADUATION THEME

How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world.

— Anne Frank

ARTWORK CONTEST

The Grad 2023 Committee is looking for a Grade 12 Henry Wise Wood student to design the artwork for Grad 2023. The successful submission will be awarded \$100.00 and the designer's name will be printed on the display. The cover must reflect the graduation theme. The information sheet will be available outside of room 206 on **December 12, 2022**.

GRADUATION CEREMONY – GREY EAGLE EVENT CENTRE – FRIDAY, MAY 26, 2023 – 9:30 A.M.

Details will be announced closer to the date.

GRADUATION BANQUET – GREY EAGLE EVENT CENTRE – FRIDAY, MAY 26, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.

Details will be announced closer to the date.

VALEDICTORIAN

The Graduating Class Valedictorian(s) are selected by a panel of judges (teachers, students and Administration) that are reflective of the audience at the Graduation Ceremony.

- Forms available in the main office Wednesday, **February 15, 2023**.
- There is a meeting for all interested applicants on Wednesday, **February 22, 2023 at lunch** in room 102.
- Applications are due on Wednesday **March 1, 2023**. Late entries will not be considered.
- Auditions will occur after school on Wednesday **March 8, 2023** in room 102.

PARTICIPATION IN THE GRADUATION CEREMONY

- Confirm student name is on the initial graduation list posted outside the main office on approximately April 17. A finalized graduation list will be posted early May
- To be eligible for participation in the Graduation Ceremony, Grade 12 students **must**:
 - Be registered in courses that enable them to complete their specific program by June. Program completion may include:
 - A High School Diploma – 100 credits
 - A Certificate of High School Completion – 80 credits
 - An ELL, ACCESS or PLP program OR
 - Demonstrate they have created a plan with their Guidance Counsellor/ Assistant Principal for completion of their program by the end of August (95 credits completed by end of June, with enrollment in a 5 credit Summer School Course/online course)
- Be a positive, contributing student at Henry Wise Wood and the Class of 2023. Disciplinary issues or negative conduct may disqualify students from participating in the Graduation Ceremony and/or Graduation Banquet
- Have paid all school fees and returned all outstanding textbooks and library books
- Students whose names are not on the list must see Mr. Barile in the main office
- Grade 12 students, who are **not** enrolled in classes second semester due to early completion, personal issues or extenuating circumstances, **must**:
 - Get special permission from the principal to attend the ceremony
 - Keep in contact with the Main Office or their Guidance Counsellor to stay informed. Grad information will be available online at <http://school.cbe.ab.ca/school/henrywisewood/teaching-learning/exams-graduation/graduation/pages/default.aspx>

Please note:

- Participation in the Graduation Ceremony is not final confirmation that the student will receive the Alberta Diploma. Official Diplomas are issued by Alberta Education upon completion of the Alberta requirements for a High School Diploma.

We look forward to honouring and celebrating our Henry Wise Wood High School Graduating Class of 2023. Further information will be provided in upcoming newsletter updates.