

IMPORTANT GRADUATION INFORMATION

GRADUATION DATE: JUNE 27, 2024 @ 7:00 pm

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GRADUATION APPLICATION

- You should have already registered to graduate by completing the application in School Cash Online. ***This information is important as we must order a diploma for you from the Ministry of Education.***

GRADUATION CEREMONY

If you wish to **participate** in the Graduation Ceremony you must have:

- 30 credits, including 18 compulsory credits** *See you guidance counsellor for a credit check.
- Completed 40 hours of Community Service** (due to Student Services by Jan. 31, 2024)
- Fulfilled the **EQAO LITERACY** requirement set out by the Ministry of Education
- Satisfied the e-learning requirement (completed 2 online courses or submitted opt out form)
- Submitted the **grad application** and **paid the appropriate fee** that indicates your participation. (This was done through School Cash Online and was due back in October.)

GRADUATION FEES

PLEASE NOTE! Graduation Fees are **PAST DUE** and should have been paid through St. John's College School Cash On-line (<https://bhncdsb.schoolcashonline.com>)

The graduation fee is **\$100.00**. This amount includes the ceremony and **\$30 non-refundable grad photo sitting fee**. The Grad Retreat and Prom tickets are not included in this cost. If fees are not paid at this time you **WILL NOT** be able to participate in the graduation ceremony. Should you fail to graduate, your fee, minus the \$30.00 photo sitting fee, will be refunded. However if you **CHOOSE NOT** to participate—refunds minus the \$30.00 photo sitting fee, **WILL NOT** be given after **May 1, 2024**.



GRAD PHOTOS

Graduation photographs took place between JANUARY 9 & 19, 2024. Students who did not get their grad photos done can book online for a session on one of our upcoming Re-take Days as long as they have paid their grad fee. ***Grad Photo Re-takes are scheduled for February 26 & 27, 2024.*** Students must book directly with Edge Imaging's online booking system. ***Note that it can take up to 4 weeks (from your child's photo session date) for grad photo proofs to be emailed out by Edge Imaging. Check your emails on a regular basis!**

SJC AWARDS/BURSARIES/SCHOLARSHIPS

New this year: all applications are to be completed online. The link to the form is found at sjconline.ca -> Student Services -> Awards/Bursaries/Scholarships -> School Award Applications -> click HERE to access the SJC Graduation Awards Application. Students complete the online Graduation Awards application by answering all questions completely and by providing all required supplementary documents **no later than February 28, 2024**. A list of the digital supplementary documents to prepare before completing the application is found once you click on the link to the form.

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VALEDICTORIAN

Valedictorian nominee videos will be shared via SJC-TV and Gr. 12 teacher Brightspace/D2L pages prior to the online vote that will take place for a duration of 24 hours on **March 6, 2024**. More information to come over the next month.

PRINCIPAL'S HONOUR ROLL CRITERIA

Full-time, grade 12 students who qualify for the Principal's Honour Roll must be enrolled in a minimum of six courses and must achieve a minimum overall average of 80% of their best six courses. (The student must have also completed the Gr. 12 Religion course.) **All courses must be taken with the BHNCD SB** in the current academic year from July 1, 2023 through to June 30, 2024. Averages are calculated using **ONLY** courses taken with the BHNCD SB; this includes any e-learning courses taken through PRISM during the current school year.

*Courses taken outside of our board or with an outside online learning platform (e.g. Blyth Academy, ilc.org, etc.) are not eligible and will **NOT** count towards the calculation of the Principal's Honour Roll.*

ONTARIO SCHOLAR CRITERIA

A student who obtains a total of at least **480 marks** in any combination of six Ministry approved grade 12 courses and who has been recommended by his or her Principal for the Ontario Secondary School Diploma in either the current school year or the previous school year, may be designated as an Ontario Scholar.

GRAD RETREAT

Chap Andy is pleased to announce that SJC will be having a grad retreat again this year at Camp Marydale in Hamilton. The retreat is booked for **April 26, 2024** and will include a variety of activities including celebrating our faith, a Master Chef Mystery Box Challenge, a BBQ lunch and time to reflect on the four years you have spent at SJC. If you are interested, you will have to sign up and pay a small fee. Chap Andy will release more details over the next few months, so stay tuned!

CONTACTS FOR GRAD INFORMATION

- **Grad Applications (credit accumulation checks):** Guidance Counsellors
- **Grad Registration Package:** Mrs. Ronson
- **Grad Awards, Bursaries and Scholarships:** Guidance Counsellors & Mrs. Spiers
- **Grad Pictures:** Edge Imaging / Mrs. Ronson
- **Grad Co-Ordinator:** Mrs. Ronson
- **Grad Retreat / Liturgy:** Chaplain Andrew Hall
- **Grad Valedictorian:** Mr. MacKinlay, Mr. Saliccioli, Mrs. Ronson
- **Grad Awards:** Ms. Hughes & Mrs. Ronson