

Grad Information 2020

IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT YOUR NAME IS CHECKED ON YOUR REPORT CARDS TO CONFIRM THE SPELLING IS CORRECT. IT MUST HAVE YOUR FULL NAME! (Ex.. FIRST, MIDDLE, LAST NAME, spelling is correct, middle name included) IF WE ARE NOT NOTIFIED OF ANY CHANGES, YOUR DIPLOMA WILL READ AS IT IS PRINTED ON THESE REPORTS!

FEES

The projected cost of graduation will be \$13800 if all activities happen. Therefore, the Grad fee for 2021 is tentatively set at \$105. We ask that \$50 of the Grad fee be paid by end of December. If all activities are allowed to happen, an additional fee of \$55 will be requested to be paid by end of May 2021. You may pay this fee through our School Cash online site. **Please do not confuse this fee with the Student fee of \$65.** The student fee must also be paid to ensure your Grad gets a yearbook. The Grad banquet is **NOT included in the Grad fee.** Grads will have an opportunity to purchase a \$25 ticket for a catered meal the week before the banquet. The banquet is usually the week after May long weekend, as long as this activity is approved to happen.

GRAD PHOTOS

Harvey Studios has been awarded the composite contract for the next few years. They will be here to take Grad photos December 1 & 2. Grad's wishing for Harvey Studios to do your gown photos may make an appointment at the school office **by October 31st** There will be no fee for this photo unless you choose to order copies for personal use. However, for this year only, Grad photos from any photographer may be used. All photos should be done by January 15, 2021.

Dates and times of Harvey's Grad gown photo sessions are:

December 1st 9am – 12 noon, 1pm – 3pm, 4 pm – 7pm,

December 2nd 9am – 12 noon, 1pm – 3pm.

Five minute intervals will be allowed.

POST SECONDARY VISITS

All Post Secondary "visits" will be Virtual this year. Please sign up on WHS Instagram site if interested. There will be no fee.

GENERAL GRAD INFORMATION

There are four diplomas that one may receive on the day of graduation. The majority will receive the High School diploma in which Grads need 17 credits between grade 11 and grade 12 courses. Information on this is on our website under Handbook, Graduation. You will also find information on the honor cords, large and small W's, awards, speakers etc. **However, adjustments will be made to these sections due to Covid.**

**ALL INFO WILL BE GIVEN VIA WHS FACEBOOK OR WHS INSTAGRAM PAGES.
INFORMATION COMING FROM OTHER SITES MAY NOT BE CORRECT.**

SENIOR LEADERSHIP

Any member of our senior class may choose to sit in on the Senior Leadership Committee. The dates of the meetings will be announced on the daily announcements. They must commit in order to be on the committee. They will work on senior clothing, senior banquet and help with ordering gowns.

YEARBOOK GRAD ADS

If you wish to purchase congratulatory grad ad, you may contact Scott Jones, by email, scott.jones@nbed.nb.ca or by contacting the school office.

A full page is \$225, 1/2 page \$150, and ¼ page \$100.

KEY GRADUATION DATES

June 20 – 25 is Graduation Week. Confirmation of what events will be possible and their dates, will be announced at a later date as well as how ceremonies will be performed.

We recognize that it is an expensive year and if you wish to make a payment plan, please notify the school office and we will work one out. **NO** student will be left out of an activity due to finances. We just need to know. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me, Nicole Giberson at Nicole.giberson@nbed.nb.ca or Carol Cormier at carol.cormier@nbed.nb.ca or call the school office at 325-4437.

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Our School Mission: ACT Now for Preparing Your Future

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ACTING VICE PRINCIPAL: Tony Hawkes

September 2020

Parents/Guardians of Grade 12 Students:

The “Access of Information” Clause of the New Brunswick’s Schools Act, requires that any information related to a student can only be released with written consent. In the case of a student under the age of 19, such consent must come from a parent or guardian.

This mandate applies to all school records, including any Transcript of Marks.

As your son/daughter is in grade 12, and may be applying to one or more Post-Secondary Institutions (Universities or Colleges), it is essential that you complete this form and see that it is returned and placed in our school files. This will allow us to release a Transcript when your son/daughter makes an application to a Post-Secondary Institution. It may also be used when your son/daughter applies for scholarships and other programs.

Sincerely,

Guidance Counsellor

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I hereby give consent for the Guidance Counsellor to complete and release official transcript(s) as requested by _____.

Student Name

Parent Signature _____

Date: _____

Please return to the Guidance Office by September 28, 2020

POST SECONDARY CONTACT 2020-2021

SCHOOL	RECRUITER	E-MAIL	NUMBER
Crandall University	Angela Pattison	Angela.Pattison@CrandallU.ca	506-858-8970 Ext 106
Martime College of Forestry Technology	David Flynn	dflynn@mcft.ca	506-458-0662
Mount Allison University	NA	admissions@mta.ca	NA
New Brunswick Community College	Angie Godin	https://nbcc.ca/contact-us/recruitment-advisors Angie.Godin@nbcc.ca	506-325-4643
St. Thomas University	Michelle Wright	michelle@stu.ca	506-452-0603
Universite De Moncton	Amelie Montour	Amelie.montour@umoncton.ca	506-229-4152
University of New Brunswick	Shoba Gunaseelan	Chooseunb@unb.ca OR Shoba.Gunaseelan@unb.ca	NA
Marine Institute	NA	admissions@mi.mun.ca OR studentinfo@mi.mun.ca	NA
Memorial University	NA	admissions@mun.ca	NA
Acadia University	Leigh-Ann Murphy	Leigh-ann.murphy@acadiau.ca admissions@acadiau.ca	NA
Cape Breton University	Alana Camp	admissions@cbu.ca	NA
Dalhousie University	Ann MacDonald	Ann.macdonald@dal.ca	NA
Mount St. Vincent University	Abbey Macleod	Abbey.macleod4@msvu.ca	NA

TIP: Research the organization/donor to increase your understanding of their mission and values. Try to incorporate these points in your essay. For example, the Rotary ideal is service. Highlight how you have served others throughout your HS career.

Read the scholarship essay requirements carefully. Be certain to address that which the donor requests.

Paragraph 1:

Brief Personal Introduction, Outline Program of Study, Length of Program, Post-Secondary Institution, Plans after Degree/Diploma/Certificate, and Explain reason for career choice, Highlight any opportunities you have seized which relate to your program/career choice

Paragraph 2:

Discuss Academics (ie: Level 1 courses, Leadership, Cooperative Education if placement relates to post-secondary program, PIF), Highlight Academic Accomplishments (ie Rank in Grad Class, Principal's List/Honors, Husky of the Month/Year, STEAM Award, Valedictorian/Salutatorian, etc)

Paragraph 3:

Discuss Extra-Curricular Involvement (in school, in community), Highlight Leadership Roles Held (ie Captain/Assistant Captain, Student Council Class Rep/Executive, Grad Class Executive, Yearbook, Lead Role in Drama, Committee Chair, Sunday School Teacher/Assistant, etc), Emphasize Leadership Conferences/Camps Attended (ie Mt Allison Leadership Camp, Encounters with Canada, Student Leadership Conference, etc), Highlight Extra-Curricular Awards (ie Athlete of the Month/Year, Provincial Champions, School Spirit Award, Royal Conservatory Grade, Music Festival Awards, etc)

Paragraph 4:

Discuss Volunteer (unpaid) Efforts (in school, in community), Explain reason(s) for involvement

Paragraph 5:

Discuss Efforts to Fund Post-Secondary Education (ie part-time/summer employment, applying for scholarship/bursaries), Consider Explaining Special Circumstances Regarding Financing Post-Secondary Education (ie Dependents, Siblings Presently Enrolled in Post-Secondary Institutions, Caregivers' Employment Status), Thank the donor for considering you as a worthy applicant and ensure the donor any money awarded will be well invested and appreciated

NOTE: You might wish to highlight character traits of which you are particularly proud and provide examples of how you demonstrate such traits in your daily life (ie integrity, honesty, strong work ethic, etc).

Senior Superlatives – Return to Mr. Jones by Friday, November 20, 2020

Choose students from the Senior Class only for the following positions.

Note: We reserve the right to limit the number of Superlatives

	Male	Female
Most likely to Brighten your Day		
Class Over-Achievers		
Best Dressed		
Most Athletic		
Most Musical		
Class Clowns		
Best Laugh		
Most Talkative		
Nicest Hair		
Class Dad and Mom		
Nicest Eyes		
Most Sarcastic		
Class Ginger		
'Drama King' and 'Drama Queen' Someone known to cause (or be a major part in) 'drama'		

Write ONE name in each box below, but please note that in some cases, we will be able to include the top 2 nominees in the following categories. We will consider this once we count your votes.

	Either Male or Female		Either Male or Female
Mr. or Mrs. John Deere		Early Bird	
Most Artistic		Best Sneeze	
Class Sweet Talkers		Coolest Accent	
Proudest Car Owner		Apple Polisher	
Most Likely to Return as a Teacher		Most Likely to be Caught Reading	
Most Thunder Pride		'Partners in Crime' = Best Friends	
Most likely to be Change the World		Loudest	
Our Class Unsung Hero		Quietest	
Tallest		Shortest	
Proudest Pet Owner			

For your Information...

GUIDANCE has prepared this handout in order to help students prepare for their Senior Year. This pamphlet contains a number of information items of importance to Seniors regarding post-secondary applications, scholarships, student loans and graduation requirements. It is the responsibility of the Senior to ensure that they have met graduation requirements and that they have obtained the necessary courses to help prepare them for their post-secondary study. Completion of applications for university, scholarships and student loans are also the responsibility of the student. Parents and students are encouraged to contact the Guidance Office if they have any concerns, as assistance and additional information are available from the counseling staff.

Post Secondary Planning

Consider having answers to the following questions when you meet with post-secondary representatives from the school you are most interested in:

- Where is your institution located?
- Do you have early application deadlines?
- What programs does your institution offer?
- What are your strongest programs?
- Do you offer Co-op programs? In what areas?
- What are your admission requirements?
- What are the deadlines for applications/scholarships?
- What size scholarships do you award?
- What criteria are considered in the scholarship process?
- Do you have a campus tour program? How does it work?
- Do you have an Open House or a Summer Orientation?
- What do these events offer new students?
- What is the cost of attending?
- What are the sources of funding that I should investigate?
- How do I know what classes to take?
- What on-campus housing is available? How do I apply?
- Is off-campus housing available?
- What extra-curricular activities are available? How do I sign up?
- How do I get an on-campus job?
- Can I transfer to (from) your institution after first year?
- Can I change programs after first year without wasting time or money?
- What services to students are available on campus?
- Where will my classes be located?
- What are the sizes of first year classes?
- Is there a place where I can get help?
- What computer services are available?
- How can I get more information?

Dates to Remember

As you begin your senior year, it is important to keep in mind the following activities and (approximate) dates. Please note: It is imperative that you listen to announcements and various school media sites about post-secondary events. The dates and virtual events listed below may change slightly and new events may be added – these changes will be announced.

September/October 2020

- Guidance meets with Seniors to review Graduation requirements and provide information. Students who lack the required number of credits to graduate with a traditional diploma and are turning 19 prior to June 2021 can meet with Mr. Wright regarding the requirements for an **Adult High School diploma**
- Seniors – Plan to visit the Guidance Center to begin gathering information regarding Post-Secondary Schools, programs, etc. Resources are available from Guidance for your use, please sign them out.
- Seniors – Can sign up for virtual one on one sessions with various universities during the semester.
- Seniors should familiarize themselves with the Guidance Office. Note: A small number of SCHOLARSHIPS come in early, check for posted information and collect application forms
- Students interested in applying for an American School, should meet with Mr. Wright or Mrs. Acott for information on the SAT's as soon as possible.
- Seniors must return a copy of the form which authorizes WHS to release your marks to Schools and Scholarship Committees to Guidance. A Parent signature is required.
- Virtual post -secondary information will be placed on the senior facebook and instagram accounts, and school guidance page on the school web-site.

November/December 2020

- Students continue to gather information regarding their Post-Secondary choice. Note: Application forms for most Universities/colleges are available in the Guidance Office, please make sure that we have the one you want. Applications can also be found on school websites. Check for information and applications forms for University Scholarships: CHECK DEADLINES so that you know that your application will get to the University/College on time.
- Some University and Colleges will conditionally accept students based on their Grade 11 Final Marks. Currently, you can apply early to several schools including NBCC

Late January/Early February 2021

- Once Semester 1 final grades are available, TRANSCRIPTS will be prepared. Transcripts include final grades in all grade 11 and 12 courses, as well as a list of courses that will be taken in Second semester. These transcripts will be made available at the beginning of second semester, so that seniors can check them before they are mailed out.
- Once Transcripts are ready, applications can be sent. Make sure to include all necessary forms as well as application fees. CHECK DEADLINES – make sure that you haven't missed anything! Complete a Transcript Request Form at the Main Office and the Office will fax or email an OFFICIAL Transcript to the school you've indicated.
- Note: Keep in mind University Scholarship Application Deadlines.

March 2021

- Universities/Colleges will continue to send out notices of acceptance. Sometimes they will request more information. See Guidance if you have some concerns regarding this – or if you have not heard back regarding your acceptance.
- Continue to check for Scholarship Information posted in the Guidance office. CHECK DEADLINES!

April 2021

- Scholarship information will continue to arrive in the Guidance Office. Listen for announcements and check the posted information. CHECK DEADLINES!
- Student Loan Information may be available at this time (or early in May). Check with Guidance. Traditionally, information sessions have been held with parents. A web site address is also made available for students to apply on line.
- Universities may begin to announce Scholarship recipients.
- Senior Portfolio Interviews can be scheduled in late April/early May

May 2021

- Universities will continue to announce Scholarship recipients. All students who receive an offer are asked to contact Guidance and share this information so that it can be included on the Graduation program. Students should continue to check with Guidance for posted Scholarships. CHECK DEADLINES!