



Friday, May 12th, 2023

Dear Families of Grade 12 Carson Graham Students,

We hope everyone is keeping well and excited for our graduation events! Please find below key details pertaining to grad, ticket sales, and more!

### **Graduation Banquet**

Monday, June 26<sup>th</sup> at the Westin Bayshore from 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm

Tickets will be on sale online through [School Cash Online](#) from May 15<sup>th</sup> to June 2<sup>nd</sup>. The ticket price will be \$150 per ticket. There will be no restrictions on the quantity of ticket sales, and they are non-refundable.

Banquet table arrangements are organized by the Grad Committee and here is the step-by-step process:

- 1) Families purchase tickets online. Graduates are allowed to invite 'plus ones,' so there is no limit as to how many tickets each family purchases.
- 2) Graduates and family members decide who they will sit with. Tables each seat 8-10 guests. Groups smaller than this amount will be merged thoughtfully.
- 3) The graduate will then fill out a form with the **first and last name of each person** for whom a ticket was purchased for on their receipt. (\*see attached form).
- 4) Seating with friends and family should be organized before coming in to pick up tickets. Graduates are encouraged to sit with their families.
- 5) Students must bring their **printed receipt as well as the attached form** to the **area outside counselling** to choose their seats and tables **during tutorial** starting Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup> through to Friday, June 9<sup>th</sup>. Students must come with any peers they wish to sit with to select their tables and pick up their tickets.
- 6) Tables are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis and require the submission of a paper receipt and a completed form.

On the day of the event, we ask that graduates gather in the lobby at 6:30pm for a photograph and that all guests be at their tables at 7:00 pm. The formal program includes speeches, dinner, and dancing. Please note that this is a dry event and that there is no alcohol permitted prior to arrival or during this event for all guests. Additionally, there are no in and out privileges or refunds for those not granted entry or asked to leave due to alcohol or substance use. Given that the Banquet is a school event, all Carson Graham Code of Conduct expectations apply. No tickets will be sold at the door.

Dinner will be a buffet with gluten-free, vegan, vegetarian, and dairy-free options. If any guests have a severe food allergy, please email [Suzette Dohm](#) so she can forward the information to the Bayshore.





## Graduation/Convocation Ceremony

Tuesday, June 27<sup>th</sup> at the Orpheum Theatre at 7:00pm

Grads will need to be at the venue one hour before the ceremony begins wearing their gown as the gown is their ticket into the event. Grads will enter through the Granville Street entrance.

Guests will enter through the Smithe Street entrance. The entrance doors will open 30 minutes before the ceremony. Tickets for the event for all guests will go on sale online from May 15<sup>th</sup> to June 10<sup>th</sup>. Tickets will be \$10 each and can be purchased on [School Cash Online](#). There will be no restrictions on the number of tickets sold. Students need to bring their online receipt to the [area outside counselling](#) at lunch June 13<sup>th</sup> and June 14<sup>th</sup> to pick up a hard copy of tickets for the ceremony.

For the ceremony, tickets will be sold at the door for \$15 (cash only). If you have guests that need seating accommodations, please contact [Suzette Dohm](#).

Please note that for those families whose student accounts are not in good standing, graduates will be unable to pick up tickets. Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions you may have to [Jennifer Harman](#).

## Grade 12 Valedictorian Applications

Grade 12's interested in applying to be this year's valedictorian can access the application form at <https://forms.office.com/r/yGpW7Z7OZS>. Completed applications are due on Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup>. Students who have completed a thorough and thoughtful application will then be contacted to audition in front of a committee of staff and students.

## Graduation Ceremony Rehearsal

There will be a mandatory Graduation Ceremony Rehearsal on Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am in the large gym. Students will be called down to the large gym at 11:00 and any grade 12s with a study block need to make sure that they are in attendance. We will be reviewing very important details with the grads that will allow for the ceremony to run smoothly.

Caps and gowns will also be handed out at the rehearsal. All fees must be cleared on [School Cash Online](#) prior to students receiving their cap and gown. Caps & gowns are distributed early to ensure families have several opportunities to take pictures prior to grad.

Grads are asked to bring \$2 (or more) to the rehearsal towards a grad gift that will be given in their name.

## Capstone Projects

Grade 12 students will be presenting their Capstone Projects on Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup>. This will be an early dismissal day for grades 8-11 and Carson Staff will participate in the interviews with the grade 12s in the afternoon. The schedule for individual students will be posted on Teams and in common spaces around the library.

The schedule for the day is as follows:





**CARSON GRAHAM**  
SECONDARY

- **TUTORIAL** - 8:30am - 9:12am
- **Period 6** - 9:12am - 9:51am
- **Period 7** - 9:55am - 10:34am
- **Period 5** - 10:38 - 11:17am
- **Period 8** - 11:21am – 12:00pm
- **LUNCH** - 12:00pm – 1:00pm
- **Capstone Projects** - 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Best Regards,

Suzette Dohm

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