

The Class of 2018

Update on Graduation Plans

Graduation: Monday, June 25th, 2018

For your planning convenience, we would like to give you an overview of the scheduled events, costs, and optional opportunities associated with the upcoming graduation celebrations. We want to avoid any unexpected expenses and allow families time to organize their schedules at this very busy time of the year.



Format of the evening...

- * 4:45-6:00 p.m. Gather for a photo opportunity! You are invited to come and take a picture of the graduating class while they are all dressed up for their evening. Bring your camera and your graduate! Following that, a buffet dinner will be held for the graduating students and staff in the back half of the gym.
- * 6:15-7:45 p.m. The GRADUATION CEREMONY follows the dinner in the front gym (by the stage). Family members are invited to join us for this celebration that features speeches, readings, awards, presentations, and our traditional audio-visual look back at our year together! *You may invite as many family members as you want; it is open seating in the gym for the ceremony.* We will make sure your children pause on the stage while you get an opportunity to take that picture you've been waiting for so long to take!
- * 8:00 - 10:00 p.m. A DANCE will be held for public school graduates upstairs at the Dunnville Legion on Queen Street. It is supervised by staff from all three schools holding graduation celebrations: Grandview, Fairview, and Thompson Creek. Graduates receive an admission ticket to this dance and are not permitted to leave without the permission of a parent/guardian. **ONLY GRADE 8 GRADUATES FROM THE ABOVE SCHOOLS ARE ABLE TO ATTEND THIS DANCE.** Graduation dress code is adhered to for admission. Music is provided by a hired D.J. Beverages are provided by the schools.
- * 10:00 p.m. Goodbyes... Parents need to make arrangements with their grads for prompt pick-up at the Dunnville Legion.

Dress for Graduates:

Students are expected to be clean, neat and appropriately dressed. Gentlemen should wear dress pants with shirts, but ties and jackets are optional. The ladies are usually attired in a nice outfit. *We are not encouraging the students to purchase expensive graduation dresses or suits!*

Graduation pictures:

- * In March, students had their individual photos taken for families to purchase. Those photos were also used to create the graduation composite photo, which includes portraits of all of the Grade 8's graduating from Thompson Creek. This composite photo needed to be prepaid and ordered on the day of the photo shoot. The cost for that photo was \$30. Students will receive this photo, if ordered, on the evening of the ceremonies.
 - As your child arrives for the graduation evening, we will organize a photo opportunity. Bring your camera!

Graduation video:

Graduation videos are available for purchase. Set to music, this is a fun look back on our time together at Thompson Creek this year. The DVD copy will play on your computer or on your DVD player. The videos are \$5 each. If you would like to place an order for yourself and/or family members, please add it to your total below. **To avoid disappointment, please pre-order your DVD's.**

Class of 2018 T-shirts:

One fun tradition the graduates look forward to is putting together a memento of their elementary school friends. We are offering "Class of Twenty-18" wear as an option. All students (whether purchasing or not) will have their signatures professionally featured on the back of t-shirts. If you are interested in taking advantage of this offer, please add it to the list below.

Cost:

The cost for the evening includes decorating, the meal, a graduation portfolio with the graduation certificate, and the D.J. and the dance. You are asked to pay \$30 to pay for these graduation expenses.

Name of Graduate: _____

Teacher: ☐ Mr. Sharpe ☐ Mrs. Dykstra ☐ Ms. Reilly

The following is a summary of costs and choices available to all graduates, as well as a list of important dates to remember.

1. **Graduation celebration costs** (for each graduate) \$30
 (This fee covers dinner, decorations, the use of the Legion hall, the D.J., etc.)
2. **Graduation DVD** (optional) \$5 each (multiple copies may be ordered)
 DVD's must be purchased in advance. No DVD's will be available for sale on the night of Graduation.

Please make these payments online. 😊

3. **Class of Twenty-18 clothing order**

***Please put *clothing cash or cheque payments in a separate envelope*, as these are processed separately by the clothing company. Return the paper copy of the order form for cash/cheque payments only. Payment is also available online.

PLEASE NOTE THAT CLOTHING ORDERS ARE DUE BY THURSDAY, MAY 3RD. THIS ALLOWS US TO RECEIVE DELIVERY BY APPROXIMATELY JUNE 4TH. NO LATE ORDERS CAN BE ACCOMMODATED.

4. **Graduation Class Composite** (the photo of ALL Grade 8's graduating from the Creek this year). (This was optional and payment was made on the day that your child's portrait was taken. If you didn't order one of these and would like to, please contact Edge Imaging at 1-888-416-3343.)

You have pre-ordered and paid for a class composite photo. ☐ yes ☐ no

Important dates to remember...

Integration Day for all Dunnville Grade 8's at D.S.S.	Friday, May 11 th (all day)
(A day of games, a super motivational speaker, and an opportunity to blend with next year's Grade 9 student body. It is our plan that students not attending DSS next year will also participate. No cost is involved.)	
Graduation clothing orders (t-shirts, etc.) due	Thursday, May 3 rd
Camp Wanakita final payments due	Thursday, May 31 st
Graduation fees due (\$30 plus optional DVD's)	Friday, June 16 th
(Please make all Graduation payments online through the school's website.)	
YMCA Camp Wanakita	Mon., June 18 th -Wed., June 20 th
Graduation rehearsals in the gym (during school day)	Friday, June 22 nd
We need all graduates at school that day!	
Graduation ceremonies & report cards sent home	Monday, June 25 th
(Report cards will be in the portfolio your child receives during the Graduation ceremonies, as will Grade 9 timetables for students attending D.S.S. in the fall!)	