

## WESTVIEW SECONDARY GRADUATION NEWSLETTER #1

# **Graduation Dinner & Dance**

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**Pitt Meadows Golf Course** 13615 Harris Road Pitt Meadows, BC

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Saturday, June 6th, 2020 Reception 4:30pm-6:00pm Dinner/Dance 6:00pm - 10:30pm

The Graduation Dinner & Dance will be held for STUDENTS ONLY. Tickets will be required for this event.

Parents are welcome to attend the reception from 4:30-6:00pm for photos before the Dinner & Dance. Parents are reminded that the upstairs lounge (The Four Nine North Wine Bar & Grille) of the clubhouse is off limits to grads during the event.

# **Dry Grad Celebrations**

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Westview Secondary School 20905 Wicklund Avenue Maple Ridge, BC

Saturday, June 6th - Sunday, June 7th, 2020 11:30pm-5:00am

This event occurs immediately following the Dinner/Dance. Should students wish to bring a guest to the Dry Grad Celebration or the Dinner & Dance the guest must have approval of the school administration by Friday, May 8th. Entrance to the Dry Grad events includes a bag and coat inspection, and can include breathalyzers. This is a "dry" event for all.

# **Graduation Ceremony**

Hard Rock Casino Vancouver 2080 United Boulevard Coquitlam, BC Wednesday, June 24th, 2020 Grads arrive at 5:00pm for a walk through Doors for Guests open at 6:00pm Ceremony starts at 7:00pm

Each grad will receive four tickets for their family and friends to attend the Graduation Ceremony. There will be a lottery held for extra grad ceremony tickets in May. The Hard Rock Casino Vancouver provides ushers and technical support for the grad event. As a result, the theatre limits noise making devices and will hold to their own standards for guest admission. Alcohol is not served at this event.

# Criteria for Inclusion in Graduation Ceremonies

All secondary schools in School District #42 adhere to a practice of allowing students to participate in the Graduation Ceremonies under the following conditions:

- We believe in honoring students for their accomplishments and have endeavored to host ceremonies that celebrate actual graduation achievement. The student must be eligible to graduate by having 80 credits for graduation; at least 16 credits must be at the Grade 12 level, including a Grade 12 Language Arts course and 12 other credits. These may be from Required Courses or Elective Credits.
- The student must have met the attendance requirements of the school no more than 15 days absent and/or 60 classes missed in the year. No student may miss more than 15 classes of any course.
- 3) The student is in "good standing" with the school. Students under suspension are not permitted to participate in the Graduation Ceremony.
- 4) The student must not owe any outstanding fees to the school (includes books, uniforms, etc.)
- 5) The student must have signed this application form and returned it to the office.
- 6) The student must have paid their \$300.00 graduation fee.
- 7) Parents of a student in danger of losing this privilege will be informed in writing. Final decisions may not be made until early in June, and may be appealed to the Principal.

## Information About Graduation Fees and Payments

An application form is included with this package. Please complete the attached form and return it to Ms. Hibbeln at the school office by: **Thursday, November 28th, 2019**. The graduation fee **MUST** be included with your application. This may be either payment in full of \$300.00 or a series of post-dated cheques. Post-dated cheques must not be dated any later than March 31st, 2020.

#### These graduation fees include the cost of the following:

- · Rental of all facilities
- 4 guest tickets for the Graduation Ceremony
- 1 dinner/dance Ticket
- 1 Formal Grad Folder
- 1 Graduation Rose
- 1 Grad Composite photo

- Food and door prizes at Dry Grad
- Dry Grad games and entertainment
- Gown and Stole Rental
- "Keeper" grad cap
- 1 Dry Grad admission
- online access to Grad Dinner Photos

If you require additional tickets these will go on sale at a later date should we have additional tickets available.

## APPLICATION FOR PARTICIPATION IN GRADUATION EVENTS

#### Please return this form to Ms. Hibbeln in the office by November 28th, 2019.

Name of Student			Date of Application	
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3)	The student is in "good standing" with the school. Students under suspension are not permitted to participate in the Graduation Ceremony.			
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7)	Parents of a student in danger of losing this privilege will be informed in writing. Final decisions may not be made until early in June, and may be appealed to the Principal.			
If for some reason your child does not meet graduation criteria, the only function they will not be able to participate in will be the Graduation Ceremonies at the Hard Rock Casino Vancouver. You will be entitled to a refund for this function only. All students in good standing are still welcome to attend the Dinner & Dance and Dry Grad.				
I am aware of the school's student expectations and regulations regarding Westview's Graduation Ceremonies 2020.				
-	Signature of Student Signature of Parent			
	Height of Student This is required for proper fitting of the graduation gown. Please include in your measurement the height of any heels to be worn for the correspondence of stoire at Hard Book			
	feet inches	feet inches ceremony. Please note, due to the number of stairs at Hard Rock Casino Vancouver, high heels are <u>not</u> recommended.		
Enclosed with this application is: (please check one of the following options)				
	Payment in full in the amount of \$300.00. A series of post-dated cheques totalling \$300. Cheques must not be dated any later than March 31st, 2020.			
Please make cheque(s) payable to "Westview Secondary School".				

## **GRAD PARENT COMMITTEE**

On Tuesday, October 8th and Tuesday, November 12th from 7:00-8:00pm in the Library, there will be a meeting for any parents interested in helping plan the Grad Dinner & Dance and Dry Grad.

#### **POST-SECONDARY INFO NIGHT**

On Tuesday, October 22nd at 6:30pm in the library, our counsellors, Mrs. O'Leary and Mrs. Sharpe, will go through the application process for students attending post-secondary institutions next year.

# S T U D I O S

## WESTVIEW GRADUATION PORTRAITS November 25th, 26th, & 27th, 2019

### SIGN UP ONLINE OPENS NOVEMBER 1st, 2019.

Grad Photos will take place in the Library at Westview Secondary School.

The sitting is 12 minutes. Several formal traditional cap and gown portraits will be taken. There will also be an opportunity for casual photos in that time. A prop that represents the student's character is welcome—i.e. a basketball, hockey gear, a musical instrument, a soccer ball, etc... Come in your favourite outfit. No pets permitted. The important thing to remember is to be early for your appointment and to be ready.

Gentleman - You should have a plain shirt and tie to wear under the gown. We do provide a shirt and tie if you do not have one.

Ladies - A bare neckline usually works very well.

There is a \$20.00 sitting fee payable to the photographer at the time of the sitting. Please book your appointment online at **www.mountainwest.ca**. Just click on the "BOOK A PHOTO SESSION" button at the top and follow the directions for Westview Secondary.

A grad photo is required for the yearbook. The fee is waived if the student does not wish to receive any proofs and only wants a photo in the yearbook. A yearbook photo will consist of two shots only. There will <u>not</u> be a "Retake Day" for the yearbook photo. The yearbook has important dates that have to be met so please make the most of your grad sitting.