



# Wetaskiwin Composite High School

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RE: Graduation 2021

Dear Grade 12 Students and Parents/Guardians,

Grade 12 is an exciting and pivotal year for our students, and one of the highlights of the year is the graduation celebration. Our Grade 12s look forward to it all year, and as educators, it gives us such great pride to celebrate this accomplishment with our students. Given the restrictions we must adhere to, WCHS is planning a graduation event that honors our graduates and still involves our families. We will be having cap and gown pictures and graduates will be able to walk across a stage and receive their diplomas. To accomplish this ceremonial act, pending city approval, we are planning an outside event that can easily be described as a “drive-thru ceremony”. Last spring, many high schools in Alberta provided this type of ceremony and it was a success for the schools, the graduates, and their families.

Our graduation ceremony will take place on June 29th, 2021 after students have completed their finals exams. We will be communicating with our graduates and grad families over the next few months as we refine our plans. Attached to this letter is our initial graduation information. Please make sure to read the attached sheet and sign up for the Gaspard Build a Grad site to order your graduation regalia package if you would like to take part in this year's graduation ceremonies.

While this likely comes as no surprise to your family that we will not be hosting our traditional indoor event, we are aware that it is going to be a much different occasion for our graduates. While change may be difficult through this last year, our students have displayed their resiliency. Please know that WCHS is committed to honouring this significant milestone in our students' lives with an event that will be memorable for all.

Sincerely,

Kris Denney  
Principal  
Wetaskiwin Composite High School



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**Kris Denney**  
**Principal**

*Wetaskiwin Regional Public Schools*

**Shawn Willmott &  
Darren Demone**  
**Vice-Principals**

## Wetaskiwin Composite High School Graduation 2021 Information

This document is intended to provide you with the most up to date information available regarding graduation.



### Graduation Ceremony

**Date:** June 29, 2021

**Time & Location:** TBA

### Ceremony Eligibility

- The official graduate list will be posted May 4<sup>th</sup>, following the reporting period of April 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Students must be enrolled in any necessary courses and credits to fulfill minimum diploma/certificate requirements and have passing grades (50%+) in these courses/credits by April 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Students enrolled in the WCHS Learning Commons for required courses should have any work turned in by April 27, 2020 to ensure adequate time for work to be marked and grades calculated for the official grad list.
- Student Fee Accounts must be in good standing with the school.
- Failure to meet these requirements will result in removal of the student from the graduate list; that student will not be permitted to participate in the Grad Ceremony on June 29, 2021.

### Graduation Regalia

- As we are unable to rent Graduation Regalia this year due to covid-19 regulations, it is available to be purchased this year for a cost of \$31.50 (GST incl.)
- [Click here](#) to access the Gaspard Build a Grad Site to order your Graduation Regalia package. This includes a cap, gown, v-stole and tassel. Orders will be shipped to the school and you will be notified when they are available for pick-up.
- The order MUST be placed by March 3<sup>rd</sup> in order for it to arrive in time for grad photos on April 7<sup>th</sup>- 9<sup>th</sup>.

### Grad Fee

- A \$20.00 fee will be added to your student's PowerSchool Account. This fee covers the keepsake diploma and ceremony costs.

### Photos

- Individual grad photos will be taken at WCHS by Smart Photography on April 7-9. An email will be sent out when the online appointment booking is open.
- The retake date is still to be determined.
- Please note, only students who have their photo taken by Smart Photography will be in the yearbook, school composite and local newspapers.
- If possible, please email us one childhood photo of your grad for the slideshow to [wc@wrps11.ca](mailto:wc@wrps11.ca)

### Graduation Ceremony Contacts

General Information: WCHS Office: (780) 352-2295

Graduation Advisor: Mrs. Charlene McFeely - [charlene.mcfely@wrps11.ca](mailto:charlene.mcfely@wrps11.ca)

Graduation Eligibility: Mrs. Tanya McFarland- [tanya.mcfarland@wrps11.ca](mailto:tanya.mcfarland@wrps11.ca)

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