



OAKRIDGE SECONDARY SCHOOL

Commencement
Assembly
2022

Reminders

Graduation Requirements

- **30 Credits** (18 compulsory + 12 elective)
- For students that will meet all other graduation requirements by the end of August 2022, only **20 documented community service hours** are required.
 - 40 documented community service hours will once again be required, next school year, if you do not meet all other graduation requirements by the end of August 2022.
- For students that will meet all other graduation requirements by the end of August 2022, **successful completion of the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) is NOT required.**
 - Successful completion of the OSSLT, or earning the Ontario Literacy Course (OLC) credit, will once again be required, next school year, if you do not meet all other graduation requirements by the end of August 2022.



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Conditional Offers

- Averages are NOT rounded up for scholarships.
- Must meet conditions for FINAL ACCEPTANCE.

Summer School

- Summer School information is available on the TVDSB website
 - Click on “STUDENTS” at top of page
 - Click on “Alternative Education”
 - Click on “Summer Programs and Camps”
- [Summer School on TVDSB Website](#)



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- Please see your Guidance Counsellor ASAP if your plan for next year has changed, i.e. you were not planning on returning, but have since changed your mind.
- Join School Messenger App – **Oak Grads**
OR <http://go.schoolmessenger.ca/#/account/login> to learn about things that are happening at Oakridge by using the access code: **TM5L8F**



Guide to Commencement

- **Centennial Hall**, 550 Wellington Street, on **Friday June 3, 2022**, **5pm – 7pm**.
- This is a “**social graduation**” for all students who started secondary school in the **2018-2019** school year.
- Even if you are returning for a victory lap or if you will not meet graduation requirements by the end of June 2022, you still walk across the stage on JUNE 3 this school year, not next year.



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Time

- Doors will open at **4pm**.
- Check in to pick up your cap and gown, you will then be placed in alpha order.

Seating

- Seating on main floor and balcony, no limit on the number of guests per graduate but seating is first-come, first-served.
- Contact Mr. Kunder, j.kunder@tvdsb.ca or **519.452.2000** extension **61706** for any accessible seating request (i.e. wheelchair access).



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Parking

- Meter parking is available around Victoria Park, or paid parking at Citi Plaza, City Hall, and the Centennial Hall lot.

Processional

- You will be guided into the hall in a single file line and seated in the middle of the front.
- It is important that you maintain your alphabetical order.



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Crossing the Stage

- When told to do so, rise with your row, quietly move to the outer hallway and line up at the staircase to the stage, remain in alpha order.
- Your name card will be given to you at this time.
- When given the signal to go, walk across the stage to the presenter, pause and shake each person's hand, and receive your "fake diploma".
- Walk off stage to be guided back to your seat.
- Edge imaging will be taking a photo of each graduate after they cross the stage.



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Diploma

- You will be handed a fake diploma, along with a graduation gift, when you walk across the stage at Centennial Hall.
- If you will meet all graduation requirements by the end of June 22, your official diploma will be available for pick up, at Oakridge, in the first week of July 2022.
- If you are an international student and will be graduating this year and will be leaving London before the end of the first week of July, please see Ms. Cox or Ms. Rhee in the Guidance office with instructions on how to have your official diploma and transcript mailed to you.

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Grad List for Program

- A list of **legal names** was posted outside the guidance office on Tuesday April 19 and will be taken down on **Wednesday May 4**.
- Please ensure you check for correct spelling of your legal name. In the instance you have a preferred first name you would like included beside your legal name, please visit the **guidance office** to explain your circumstance to **Ms. Cox** by **Wednesday May 4th by 2:30 p.m.**
- Your name as it appears on the Grad List, outside the guidance office, will be printed in the commencement program.



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Caps and Gown

- Caps are **purchased** and gowns are **rented**
- Purchased caps + rented gown + professional photo of you by Edge Imaging = **\$30**
- See Ms. Cox IMMEDIATELY, following this assembly, if you have not yet paid this fee.

Dressing for the Occasion

- Footwear and lower legs are visible.
- Gentlemen: do not wear suit coats under the gown (too hot).
- Leave “stuff” (purses, umbrellas, etc.) with parents. We will not look after your personal belongings.



Important Info for Grads

Rented Gowns

- Following commencement, you will have 20 minutes to take photos outside with family before you must sign off that you have returned your gown.

Name Card

- When you walk across the stage our readers will read your name and a brief message written by you in the third person.
- Example:
John Smith
John will be attending the University of Ottawa in the fall to study political science. He would like to thank his parents and teachers for their support over the years.
- Please DO NOT name specific teachers on your name card.



Important Info for Grads

Name Card

Complete your Name Card by **Wednesday May18** through a Google Form available from any computer at:

bit.ly/oakgradcard

- Note: you **must** be in your “**gotvdsb.ca**” account (not gmail) to be able to see the form.
- If your future plans change between now and the Wednesday May 18 deadline, you may make edits through the same form.
- Please see Ms. Teevan if you have any questions about your name card.



Any Questions?