



To: DVSS Grade 12 class and
the Parents/Guardians of 2018-2019 DVSS Potential Graduates
From: DVSS Graduation Committee, Grad Council, Prom Committee, Yearbook Editor

The committees involved in organizing grade 12 events would like to share important information and deadlines with you. Please review the following for your planning:

DVSS Graduation: Wednesday, June 26, 4:00 p.m.

On behalf of the staff of Dundas Valley Secondary School, it is the pleasure of the DVSS Graduation Committee to invite you to attend our graduation ceremony and join us in the celebration of the accomplishments of our graduates.

Location: Michelangelo Banquet Centre, 1555 Upper Ottawa Street, Hamilton

Eligibility: Participation in the ceremony is contingent on students meeting the requirements of a Ministry OSSD or Certificate. Please assist our preparation and organization of the ceremony by making every effort to follow timelines below.

Fee: A \$55 Ceremony fee pays for items such as the hall, programs, gown rental, caps for grads to keep, and a professional 5x7 photo of the graduate receiving their diploma. Financial assistance is available if needed - see your guidance counsellor for details.

Prior to May:

- Students who wish to be considered for grad awards should have submitted a Self-nomination form to the Grad Awards Committee (see the Guidance Hub Course)
- Valedictorian nomination forms (see the Guidance Hub Course) Due: April 15
- Attend “Grad-in-the-cafs” for info and to vote for valedictorian Dates: Apr. 3, May 8
- Graduation portrait sittings are finished. If you missed the opportunity, please contact Edge Imaging directly at www.edgeimaging.ca or 1 888-416-3343

May and June Tasks:

- Fill out grad gown form at: <http://bit.ly/dvssgradgowns> Due: April 5
- Pay for your gown using School Cash Online* to ensure you have tickets Due: May 1
- All graduates who have paid will pick up **2 guest** tickets in Guidance By: May 15
- Extra guest tickets may be available by lottery. Request additional tickets by filling in the Google Form at <http://bit.ly/dvssgradticketlottery2019> By: June 1

Fill out grad Read Aloud at <http://bit.ly/GradReadAloud> Due: June 1

Hand in 40 Hours of Community Involvement to ensure your name is in the program Due: June 14

Ceremony Details:

- Grads arrive at 2:25 to assemble in the gowning/marshalling room
- Guests arrive for 3:30 seating in the hall
- Ceremony begins at 4 p.m.
- After the ceremony, gowns and V-Stoles are returned in exchange for your official diploma package and professional photo. You will also have the option to order additional prints.

DVSS Senior Week: Monday, April 15 to Thursday, April 18

Cost Day activity tickets = \$20; or Day & Evening activity tickets = \$40

- Parental signatures are required on ALL forms if under 18 years old. If over the age of 18, an emergency contact is required. Permission forms will be available on the counter in the main office by **March 18**, and need to be completed and submitted to Mr. Toth before ticket purchase.
- Tickets will be sold from **March 18 to April 10** - pay using School Cash Online*
- Tickets will be distributed by Grad Council (Mr Toth) once confirmation of payment and receipt of forms are received

DVSS Prom: Tuesday, May 14

Location Carmen's Banquet Centre, 1520 Stone Church Rd E, Hamilton

Cost Tickets are \$70 each

- Parental signatures are required on ALL forms of attendees if under 18 years old. If over the age of 18, an emergency contact is required.
- You must fill out permission forms (or a guest form if you are bringing a guest that is not a DVSS student) before you can get your prom tickets. Forms will be available on the counter in the main office by **Feb 26**, and need to be completed and submitted to Mr. Toth before ticket purchase.
- Tickets will be sold from **March 1 to May 1** - pay using School Cash Online*
- Tickets will be distributed by Grad Council (Mr Toth) once confirmation of payment and receipt of forms are received

Yearbook:

Purchase your optional yearbook using School Cash Online* Due: April 1

* if you are experiencing difficulty accessing School Cash Online, please contact Mrs. Judith Smith at (905) 628-2203 x263