

Monday May 2, 2023

GRADE 12 WEEKLY LETTER 12

- Full Disclosure
- Check your marks!
- Soccer scholarship details
- Valedictorian information

Hi there Grade 12s!

Coming up:

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	1	2 Tea Tuesday (Learning Commons at Lunch)	3	4	5 Full Disclosure	6
7	8 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Applications for Valedictorian Due• Commencement Tickets go on sale	9	10	11	12	13

Full Disclosure: May 5th

Courses dropped after May 5th will appear on your transcript with a final grade.

Marks Upload:

Your midterm marks have been uploaded to OUAC and OCAS. Please double-check that your marks are correct, and come chat with Mrs. Indelicato in Guidance if you see an error or omission.

Need a summer job?
Applications open May 23, 2022

HWDSB
FOCUS ON
Youth!

Focus on Youth at HWDSB is hiring students to help with summer programs in the community!

Location of Programs: Various physical sites across Hamilton

Length: July 11 - August 26, 2022 (including paid training)

Hours: 30 to 40 hours per week (times will vary by placement)

For more information, visit hwdsb.info/focusonyouth or follow @focusonyouth_hwdsb on Instagram.

Did you play soccer for Flamborough/Dundas?

FDSC MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

APPLICATION DEADLINE MAY 26, 2023

The Flamborough Dundas Soccer Club (FDSC) is proud to award two (2) \$250 scholarships to graduating students to support their post-secondary education.

Scholarships will be awarded by the FDSC to successful applicants who, for at least three years, have played with a FDSC team or are currently participating with the FDSC in some capacity (house league player, referee, coach or other volunteer position). We understand the unprecedented interruptions to the 2020 and 2021 season that may have prevented participation with the FDSC. Therefore, we will also be accepting applications from students who were participating with the FDSC in some capacity during the 2019 season.

The qualifications of the recipients are as follows:

- Proceeding from Grade 12 or their fifth year of high school to a college, university or post-secondary institution in Canada or the U.S. approved by the Flamborough Dundas Soccer Club Scholarship Committee.
- Must have demonstrated good community citizenship, personality and leadership.

LINK:

[Memorial Scholarship 2023.pdf \(flamboroughdundassoccerclub.ca\)](#)

Valedictorian



2023 Criteria for Valedictorian Speech

The opportunity to represent your Grade 12 class is an honour. You will be speaking on behalf of **ALL** students who are commencing. You will have **TEN minutes** maximum to speak to your peers, families, staff and community. Your speech should:

- be engaging and inclusive;
- consider ALL attendees - a Valedictorian speech is not about you personally;
- include humour if you like, but ensure you uphold the DVSS School vision and the dignity of all people as the DVSS and an HWDSB Valedictorian;
- adhere to HWDSB privacy and consent policies, including:
 - no reference to others that would identify them in any way
 - no use of images of others
 - no use of footage from any other source
- You **MUST** remain "on script" and adhere to all provided guidelines or you will be eliminated as a candidate.

The Valedictorian speech will be vetted ahead of time by the Valedictorian committee. Your speech may be presented in an in-person address at the Commencement ceremony and/or a video that may be played at the Commencement ceremony and/or published publicly on our DVSS website. You **MUST** complete HWDSB consent forms for your video to be posted.



Dundas Valley Secondary School Selection Process for Valedictorian 2022-2023

“The valedictory address, or valedictorian, is the closing or farewell statement delivered at a graduation ceremony. The mode of discourse generally is inspirational and persuasive. The various aims of this address are to inspire the graduates and to thank individuals responsible for their successes while reflecting on youthful frivolity and the accomplishments of the class. Above all, however, the primary aim of the valedictory address is to allow a representative of the graduating class to bid a final farewell to the students and to the school, as the graduates prepare to disperse and to begin the next phase of their lives.” (from Wikipedia)

The Valedictorian address is both an honour and a responsibility. A Valedictorian speaks on behalf of classmates in an engaging and inclusive way to family, friends, and DVSS staff who are celebrating the Class of 2023. The Valedictorian should represent the class as a whole. Valedictorian nominees must uphold the HWDSB Student Code of Conduct -

[Code of Conduct | Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board \(hwdsb.on.ca\)](https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/code-of-conduct)

If you are interested in representing the DVSS Commencement Class of 2023 as our Valedictorian, please contact Mr. Fraser by email (Rlfraser@hwdsb.on.ca)

by **3 pm on Monday May 8th, 2023**. In your email, please include the following information:

- How you would represent the Graduating class of 2023
- A sample paragraph (approximately 250 words) of what you might say in a Valedictorian speech

Have a wonderful week!
Your guidance team...

Ms. Warren, Mrs. Lawson, and Mrs.
Indelicato

