



Sir Allan MacNab

Course Options Information

2026/2027

Grade Twelve



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DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS

- **30 Credits**
 - 18 compulsory
 - 12 elective
- **40 Community Involvement Hours**
- **On-line learning requirement**
- **Ontario Secondary School Literacy Requirement**
 - OSSLT or OSSLC (OLC401)

COMPULSORY COURSE REQUIREMENTS



- 4 English
- 1 French
- 3 Mathematics (1 at the senior level)
- 2 Science
- 1 Canadian History
- 1 Canadian Geography
- 1 Arts (Visual, Music, Drama or Dance)
- 1 Health and Physical Education

- 1 Civics (.5 credit)
- 1 Career Studies (.5 credit)
- 1 additional credit in English OR third Language OR Social Science, OR Canadian and World Studies OR Co-op OR Guidance & Career Ed. (Group 1)
- 1 additional credit in Health and Physical Education OR Business Studies OR Arts OR Co-op (Group 2)
- 1 additional credit in Science (Grade 11 or 12) OR Technology (Grade 9-12) OR Co-op (Group 3)



CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS

The Ontario Secondary School Certificate is a pathway for some students and can also be granted on request to students who leave school before earning the Ontario Secondary School Diploma. The requirements for an OSSC are 14 credits (7 compulsory and 7 elective credits):

Compulsory Credits (total of 7)

- 2 credits in English
- 1 credit in Mathematics
- 1 credit in Science
- 1 credit in Canadian History OR Canadian Geography
- 1 credit in Health and Physical Education
- 1 credit in the Arts OR Technological Education

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RETURNING GRADE 12 STUDENTS



Grade 12 Students may return if they:

- ✓ have not graduated due to insufficient credits
- ✓ are committed to graduating or upgrading for post-secondary pathways
- ✓ have an IEP
- ✓ are applying to a System Program, OYAP, or Mohawk Bridge (non-Grads only)

HWDSB RETURNING GRADE 12 STUDENTS

Returning Grade 12 Students *MUST*:

- ✓ be FULL TIME students
- ✓ Complete a 5th Year Form (Reviewed by school administration)
- ✓ Post Graduate students who are only returning for Semester 1 must take a minimum of 3 courses
- ✓ Have earned fewer than 34 credits to start the semester (one or two)
- ✓ Students who are returning for both semesters must take a minimum of 3 courses per semester



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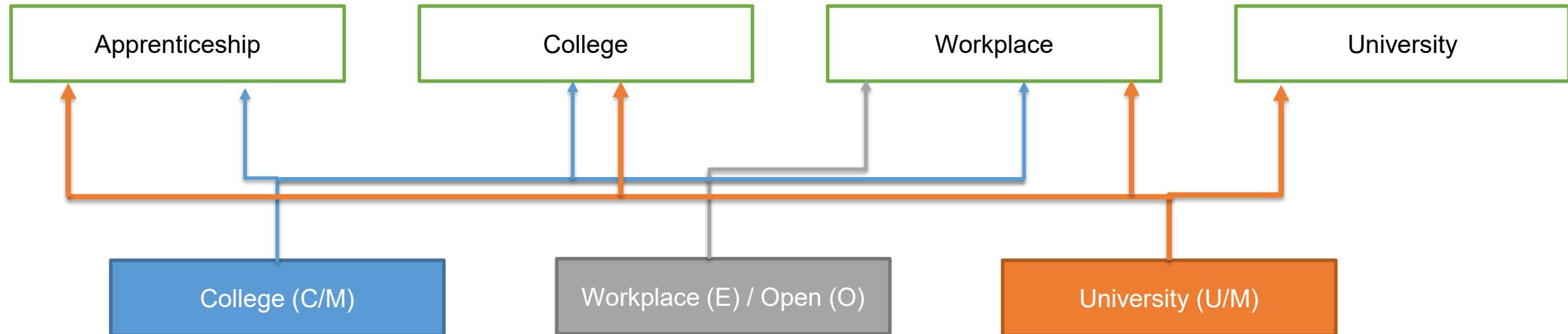
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COURSE PATHWAYS – GRADE 11 & 12

Where do I want to go after high school?



Which pathway in high school will get me there?

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*my*PATH.*my*WAY.

Specialist High Skills Major Programs

Matching YOUR Skills and YOUR Interest!

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SHSM at MacNab Secondary School

You can join a SHSM program at most schools and regional programs at the HWDSB but you would need to transfer schools for grade 11 & 12 to be with that SHSM program

At MacNab, you can be part of the:

- Hospitality & Tourism (Ms. Avery)
- Arts & Culture (Ms. Barda)
- Health & Wellness (Ms. Haalstra and Mr. Di Giantomasso)
- Transportation (Mr. Woods)



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What is a SHSM program?

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- The SHSM is a specialized, ministry-approved program
- Students can focus their learning on a specific sector
- Meeting the requirements of the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD).
- Gain sector- specific skills and knowledge in engaging, career-related learning environments
- Prepare in a focused way for graduation and postsecondary education, training, or employment.

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Transportation SHSM

Coop students can get placements at car dealerships, automotive garages, small engine repair shops, motorcycle shops, marine supply stores and more!



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- **Experiential Learning:** Students attend field trips to the auto show and other transportation related trips. Opportunities will be provided to job shadow industry workers and guest speakers will visit to share their experiences
- **Certifications:** Students workshop with transportation sector workers. Students will be provided the opportunity to complete sector recognized certifications
- **Reach Ahead:** Explore the field and post-secondary education opportunities in the transportation sector



Specialist High Skills Major Health and Wellness

A photograph of various art supplies, including watercolor palettes, paintbrushes, and jars, arranged on a dark blue, textured surface. The lighting is dramatic, creating strong highlights and shadows on the materials.

Specialist High Skills Major

Arts and Culture



Specialist High Skills
Major

Hospitality and
Tourism

Pursuing a SHSM enables students to ...

1. Study their interests and support talents
2. Develop specialized knowledge and skills that are valued by the sector or post-secondary education institutions
3. Gain certification and training
4. Build community connections
5. Job opportunities
6. Identify, explore, and refine career goals and make informed decisions about their post-secondary destination

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HWDSB Dual Credit Programs

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Dual Credit students:

- Spend half the day at Mohawk College and half the day at their home school
- Earn 2 college credits and 2 high school credits
- Are taught by Mohawk College instructors
- Are supported and monitored by a HWDSB Teacher
- Become ready for a successful transition to college

TRY COLLEGE FOR FREE! -- No cost for transportation, textbooks, or course materials.

Grade 11 and 12 Students are eligible to participate if:

- They have not yet graduated (*post-graduates are not eligible)
- Completed most, or all, of their compulsory credits
- Have had some success in college preparation courses
- Could benefit from a college pathway experience
- Has the potential to succeed and is ready to focus on reaching their full academic potential

Please see your guidance counsellor to determine eligibility

Semester 1: September 2026 – January 2027

AM Mohawk Bridge: Developmental Psychology & Society, Technology and Social Issues (Fennell Campus)

AM Sports: Sports and Exercise Psychology and Sports Stories (Fennell Campus)

PM Graphic Design: Graphic Design & Animation (Fennell Campus)

Skilled Trades Dual Credit Programs Will Be Announced In February 2026

Semester 2: February 2027 – June 2027

AM Mohawk Bridge: College 101 & Positive Psychology (Fennell Campus)

PM Esports: Introduction to Esports and Esports Marketing

PM Health Care: Structure and Function of the Human Body & Pre-heath Foundations

PM Graphic Design: Graphic Design and Animation

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OYAP – Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program

- In high school, any co-op in an apprenticeship-trade is part of OYAP
- Some special areas offer ACCELERATED OYAP. This means students leave high school with LEVEL 1 training!

Some of the accelerated fields include:

- Child Development Practitioner
- Child and Youth Worker
- General Carpenter
- Construction Craft Worker
- Automotive Service Technician
- Assistant Cook
- Hairstyling

SPECIAL CO-OP

Centralized placements require an interview (competing with students from other school boards):

- City of Hamilton, Hamilton Police Services, Hamilton Health Sciences
- Sheraton Hotel, St. Joseph's Healthcare, etc.

Competitive co-op opportunities through HWDSB:

- ArtSmart (at MacNab!)
- Building Careers from the Ground Up
- Limeridge Mall
- Healthcare Support

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR COURSE OPTIONS



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INSTRUCTIONS FOR COURSE OPTIONS



- Log in to myBlueprint through the HWDSB home page

The screenshot shows the HWDSB SharePoint home page with a grid of service links. The links are arranged in four columns:

Category	Link	Icon
Business Services	Outlook	Envelope icon
	Apply to Education/Easy Connect	Green arrow icon
	eBASE	Database icon
	Passwords	Padlock icon
Equity and Well-Being	Employee Webportal	Employee icon
	TOPdesk (IT Help Desk)	Red arrow icon
	Register for Password Self Service	Padlock icon
	HWDSB Commons	Blue circle icon
Facility Services	System Learning Commons	Building icon
	HWDSB public website	Blue circle icon
	Foundation	Heart icon
	Central Data FAQ	Document icon
Human Resources	Safe Schools or Employee Incident Report	Red cross icon
	Policies	Gears icon
	Manage Student Passwords	Padlock icon
	HWDSB.tv	TV icon
IT	Sparkrock	Yellow swirl icon
	Homewood EFAP	Green leaf icon
	School Messenger	Phone icon
	School Cash Suite	Building icon
Program	OSBIE	Red butterfly icon
	myBlueprint	Blue 'm' icon



WHEN YOU ARE READY TO GET STARTED, ACCESS YOUR **COURSE PLANNER** from your **DASHBOARD**

Home

Dashboard Tasks Class Activities Goals Portfolios

Complete your IPP Tasks

Individual Pathways Plan (IPP) Tasks help you plan your education and career while earning points for prize draws.

[View All Tasks](#) [Show Prizes](#)

High School • Plan

Plan Courses for Grade 9

High School Progress

OSSD

30 credits until graduation

Course Selection is now open!

Not Submitted

Not returning next year?

[Plan Courses](#)



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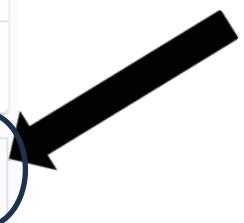


If you are planning to return next year, you must click the plus sign to add an additional year.

✖ Your courses are **Not Submitted** Not returning next year?

1 Step 1 Add Courses **2 Step 2 Review Courses** **3 Step 3 Submit Courses** **Review Course Selections**

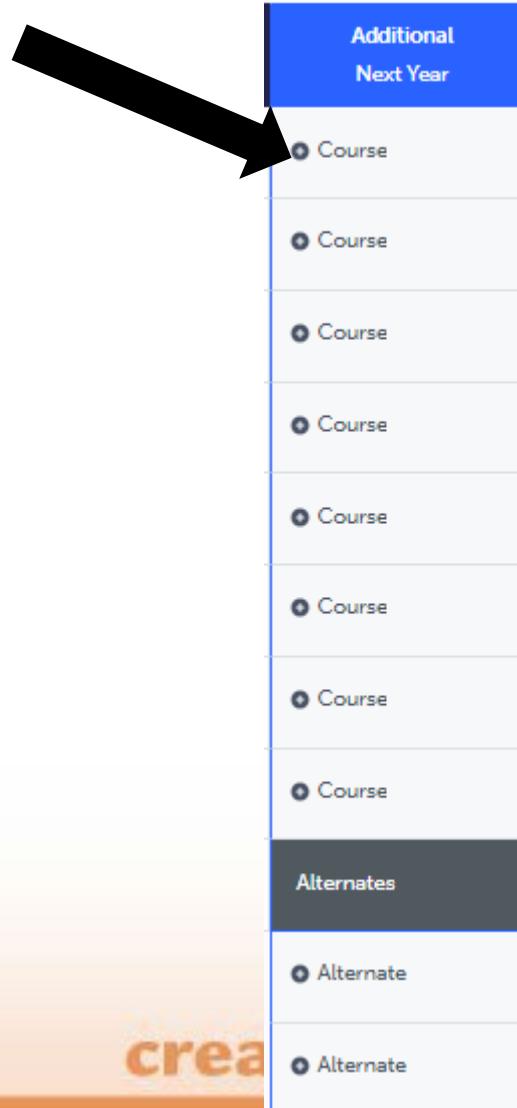
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			Grade 11 Visual Arts AVI3O1 • 1 Credit



INSTRUCTIONS FOR COURSE OPTIONS



Pick a requirement (ie: ENGLISH) to open up all the course options for that subject.



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When making your selection from Applied or Academic, make sure you have taken the required pre-requisites already. When you click on the title of the course, i.e. “Grade 10 English” it will provide you a description of the course and list any pre-requisites.

▼ English

[Grade 9 English](#)

Grade 9 • ENG1L1 • 1 Credit • Locally Developed

[Grade 10 English](#)

Grade 10 • ENG2D1 • 1 Credit • Academic

[Grade 10 English](#)

Grade 10 • ENG2L1 • 1 Credit • Locally Developed

[Grade 10 English](#)

Grade 10 • ENG2P1 • 1 Credit • Applied

[Grade 12 English \(College Preparation\)](#)

Grade 12 • ENG4C1 • 1 Credit • College

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COURSE OPTIONS



Click on the course you want as shown in the previous screen and then click “Add Course”.

Grade 10 English

Grade 10 ENG2D1 1 Credit Academic

This course is designed to extend the range of oral communication, reading, writing, and media literacy skills that students need for success in their secondary school academic programs and in their daily lives. Students will analyse literary texts from contemporary and historical periods, interpret and evaluate informational and graphic texts, and create oral, written, and media texts in a variety of forms. An important focus will be on the selective use of strategies that contribute to effective communication. This course is intended to prepare students for the compulsory Grade 11 university or college preparation course.

Pre-requisites (a minimum of 1 of the below required)

- ENG1D
- ENL1W
- ENG1P

Course Status

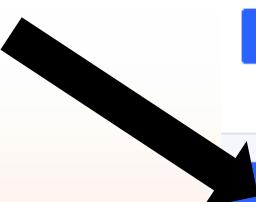
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Add Course

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Continue this process for your remaining courses. Once you have added a course, you should see it saved in your course planner.

*If something is highlighted in red, it means there is an error. Click on the  icon for more information on how to resolve the error.

Grade 10	
Next Year	
Grade 10 English	⋮
ENG2D1 • 1 Credit	⋮
Grade 10 Principles of Mat...	⋮
MPM2D1 • 1 Credit	⋮
Grade 10 Science	⋮
SNC2D1 • 1 Credit	⋮
Academic Grade 10 Canad...	⋮
CHC2D1 • 1 Credit	⋮
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GLC/CHV • 1 Credit	⋮
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TCJ2O1 • 1 Credit	⋮
Music and Computers	⋮
AMM2O1 • 1 Credit	⋮
Alternates	
GREEN INDUSTRIES THJ2...	⋮
THJ2O1 • 1 Credit	⋮
Grade 10 Hospitality and T...	⋮
TFJ2O1 • 1 Credit	⋮

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COURSE OPTIONS



Once you are finished selecting all of your courses for the following year, you can click **“Review Course Selections”**

Carefully review the courses you selected and ensure there aren't any errors. Be sure to include **ALTERNATES!**

Review Course Selections

1 Review Course Selections

ENG2D1	Grade 10 English
MPM2D1	Grade 10 Principles of Mathematics
SNC2D1	Grade 10 Science
CHC2D1	Academic Grade 10 Canadian History since World War I
GLC/CHV	Career Studies and Civics
TCJ2O1	Grade 10 Construction Technology
AMM2O1	Music and Computers
TTJ2O1	Grade 10 Transportation Technology

Alternates

THJ2O1	GREEN INDUSTRIES THJ2O1
TFJ2O1	Grade 10 Hospitality and Tourism

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COURSE OPTIONS



Once you are finished reviewing, click the GREEN button “Submit Course Selections”

Review Courses

! Review your course selections before submitting. Once submitted, you can no longer make changes in myBlueprint.

1 Step 1
Add Courses

2 Step 2
Review Courses

3 Step 3
Submit Courses

Submit Course Selections

1 Review Course Selections



NBE3C1

Grade 11 Understanding Contemporary First Nations, Metis, and Inuit Voices (College Preparation)

2 Add Comments

Add comments you would like to include

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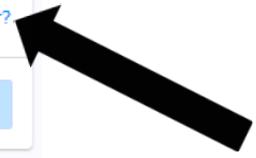
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STUDENTS WHO ARE NOT RETURNING



Grade 12 students who are not returning MUST enter the Not Returning option into myBlueprint

Not returning next year? 

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STUDENTS WHO ARE NOT RETURNING



■ Select an option to let us know where you're going next school year and click "Confirm"!



Not returning next year?

Let us know where you're headed by selecting an option below.

Courses you have added for next year will not be submitted.

- Apprenticeship
- College
- University
- Workplace
- New School
- Other Education/Training
- Community Living
- Gap Year

Confirm

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WE'RE HERE TO HELP!

This week is:

MyBlueprint HELP WEEK!

Students will be called out of class to meet with guidance counsellors on February 11th and 12th to help students enter course options and answer questions about the process

WHEN SHOULD I CHOOSE MY COURSES IN myBlueprint?

- **Course selection process opened on February 2nd. You can get a head start by completing your course planner AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!**
- If you are unsure about your pathway or what you'd like to do after high school, try the "Who Am I?" tasks in myBlueprint! It will be a great starting point to guide you.

WHEN SHOULD I CHOOSE MY COURSES IN myBlueprint?

- Talk to your guardians/parents tonight about your pathway plan and what electives you might want to take next year. Show your guardian/parent your course selections for approval and submit through MyBlueprint between **March 2 – March 8.**
- You will **NOT** be able select course selections after **March 8** as MyBlueprint will be closed

HWDSB IMPORTANT REMINDERS

OTHER REMINDERS

- Check prerequisites for grade 11 and 12 courses (and university and college programs for the future)
- Students are expected to complete their course options on their own, and counsellors will be available to help
- **Parents and guardians will be asked to confirm course options in Parent Portal from March 2 – March 8**

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HWDSB Graduation Photos - 2026

- Pegasus will be back at MacNab on February 23th and 24th (and 25th if necessary)
- These will be the last graduation photo dates at MacNab in 2026

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HWDSB Commencement Events - 2026

- Valedictorian Applications will be available in Student Services starting May 4th. Applications are due May 15th
- Commencement Breakfast and Valedictorian Speeches will be held in the Sir Allan MacNab Cafeteria May 21
- Listen for more information about the school yearbook

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HWDSB **Commencement Events - 2026**

- Mandatory Commencement Rehearsal will be held in the Sir Allan MacNab Auditorium on June 10 at 9:30
- Commencement Ceremony will be held in the McIntyre Performing Arts Theatre at Mohawk College on Wednesday, June 24
- Students should arrive at 3:00 pm and doors will open for guests at 3:30 pm on Wednesday, June 24th at 4:00pm

- Students should continue to check their HWDSB email as well as the Commencement Updates tab on the school website. Updates and information will be posted periodically, emailed, and communicated through School Messenger
- Please note that Commencement activities are for students who entered into their grade 12 year in 2025-2026 (year 4 cohort).

HWDSB **Commencement Ceremony**

- Dates available for purchase – TBD (early March)
- Fee includes cap and gown, 2 guest tickets for the ceremony, and a ticket to the Commencement Breakfast
- The cost will be \$35-40 for: Cap and Gown, 2 Commencement Ceremony Tickets, Parking at Mohawk College, and Commencement Breakfast ticket (through school-cash-online)

- Extra ceremony tickets cost \$10 each and will be available at some point in April/May through School Cash Online or in the main office

- Prom is May 21 at Marquis Gardens from 6-10 PM
- Cost is approximately \$60 through School Cash Online (preferred) or in the main office
- Ticket sales TBA – week before or after March Break
- All guests who do not attend MacNab must fill out a Guest form (can be picked up from the main office)
- Guest tickets must be purchased from the main office