

March 16th and April 1st, 2022



Dear Grad Parents,

Grad 2022 is a go! Locations are booked! Fundraisers are in full swing! Here is a quick snapshot of what's to come, looking at the end of June first:

Grad Parent/Guardian April Meeting: The Parent Grad Exec has set the next meeting for Tuesday April 5th at 7 pm, live in the Claremont Learning Commons or through TEAMS. Agenda will be posted Monday evening through the button on the Claremont Website. Here is the link to join virtually: [Click here to join the meeting](#)

1. Grad Scavenger Hunt: For the second year in a row, grads will have the opportunity to participate in the Grad Scavenger Hunt! Teams will have fun in the sun completing a series of challenges that include trivia, creativity, physical activity, photos and more. Stay tuned for more information closer to June, including team sign up and number of parent volunteers needed.

Date: Monday, June 27th
Location: Starts and Ends at Claremont Track
Time: 9:00am-11:00am

2. Grad Dinner, Dance and Casino Night: The grad committee is excited to offer students a fabulous evening at the Grand Pacific. A buffet dinner, 11 o'clock snack and candy bar are included. The DJ and Casino Royale are confirmed and our decorating plans are magical!

Date: Monday, June 27th
Location: Grand Pacific Hotel, 463 Belleville St.
Time: 6:00pm-1:00am

3. Grad Walk Through: Students will have the opportunity to get dressed up and participate in one final walk through of the school, which will involve saying thank you & goodbye to staff and taking pictures with each other in groups.

Date: Wednesday, June 29th
Location: Claremont School
Time: Likely 11:00am-2:00pm

Uvic Ceremony Rehearsal: All grads are required to participate in this mandatory "dry run" of our Uvic Ceremony, Tues, May 24 from 9:00 - 11:30. School Bus transportation will be provided, all students must leave from the school.

Grad Ceremony: More information on how to obtain tickets and the time of the ceremony will come out in late April. Keep an eye on the announcements as your student will be coming home with a grad package soon.

Date: Wednesday, June 29th
Location: UVic Auditorium at UVic
Time: Likely 5:00pm-7:00pm



Overall Cost Per Grad for Events 1-3 Listed Above (not including the tickets for the Grad Ceremony at UVIC): Approximate cost for events is \$200 per student . Costs will be adjusted as fundraising dollars are raised. Please read on to hear about Grad Fundraisers that are coming soon!

Tickets for the Grad Ceremony at UVIC will be sold separately and are not included in the above overall cost per Grad calculations.

Purdys Easter Chocolate Fundraiser: Calling all chocolate-lovers! Grad parents are teaming up with Purdy's Chocolatier to fundraise for this year's graduating class. All fundraising profits raised will directly support Claremont's 2022 Graduating students, so every order makes a great difference to us.

Ordering is as easy as eating chocolate. Just click this [LINK](#) (customer # 52656), fill out your info, click "Join Campaign", and order to your heart's content!

View the [Purdy's catalogue](#). The order deadline is March 28th. Chocolates will be ready for pick-up April 13-15 at Claremont.

 **Grad Pizza Days:**  Buying pizza on March 18th, April 22nd, May 13th and June 10th is an easy way to help us fundraise! We will be serving hot delicious Domino's Pizza in the cafeteria during lunch. Pizza is available for students at \$3.00 a slice or buy a box for \$24 and share with your friends! There will also be pop and chips available. All proceeds go toward reducing our costs for grad. Cash only - no punch cards.

Hilltop Nursery: As the weather starts to warm and flowers start to bloom, it's the perfect time to share details about our 2022 Mother's Day Spring Fundraiser with gorgeous baskets from Hilltop Greenhouses!! This is the perfect opportunity to treat Mom, Grandma or that special someone (maybe that is you) to a beautiful, high quality, locally grown hanging basket or planter from Hilltop Greenhouses. Please see this [PDF](#) for this year's plant selection. Orders and payments can be made through the [Saanich Schools Fees Online account](#). Please contact Belinda Waller in the Claremont accounting office (250-658-6672) if you have any questions or issues accessing your school fees online account. Alternatively, brochures and order forms are available for pick up in the accounting office. Cash and cheque payments are also accepted. The order deadline is **April 6th at noon**. This fundraiser takes place over Spring Break so please place your orders early so as to not miss the deadline for these beautiful baskets.

Baskets and planters will be delivered directly to the school and available for pick up on Tuesday, April 26th from 2-5:30 pm in the staff parking lot behind the gym. Please ensure you pick up your orders as the school does not have the capacity to store plants overnight.

Bottle Drive: Claremont Grad students will be hosting a bottle drive **Saturday, April 9th** from 9am-3pm in the student parking lot. Please share this date with your neighbours and family and stop by with your empties! We will also need students and parents to help make this event a success. Please click this [LINK](#) if you are able to help.

If you have any questions regarding the bottle drive, please email Christa at christaeaston4@gmail.com.

Silent Auction: The grad committee is actively seeking silent auction donations for our upcoming online auction in May. If you have a donation you would like to contribute (monetary, service item, gift certificate etc) we would love to include it in our auction. A donation letter is available on the Claremont website under "students", "grad 2022" for anyone requesting a donation from a business. If you are requesting a donation from a business please let us know. We are hoping to have all donations in by April 25th. The online auction will take place May 4-6. Thank you in advance for your support!

50/50 Draw: Online 50/50 tickets will be available for sale between May 3rd and June 9th. Cost \$10 for one ticket or \$20 for three tickets. The draw date is June 9th at 3 pm. Listen to the announcement closer to the event for further details.

Volunteers Needed: We are looking for volunteers to help with the upcoming bottle drive, flower baskets and Easter chocolate distribution. Please check the Facebook Page for the sign up genius or email Dagmar Restell or Christy Mann at drestell@gmail.com or christylmann@hotmail.com.

On behalf of the Claremont Parent Grad Committee...

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