MURDOCH MACKAY COLLEGIATE

2025 Graduation Events

IMPORTANT DATES

GRAD BREAKFAST • Friday,

June 20th, 2025

Big Gym @ Murdoch

CONVOCATION

• Tuesday, June 24th, 2025

Big Gym @ Murdoch

SAFE GRAD

• Wednesday, June 25th, 2025

Club Regent Event Centre

- Keep checking the Grade 12 INFO Team for the most updated information
- Graduation information will be mailed to your residence after spring break – *make sure your address is up to date in the office!*

G R A D B R E A K F A S T F R I D A Y, J U N E 20^{T H} 10:00 A M

- Enjoy a FREE breakfast (pancakes, sausages & fruit) with your fellow graduates served to you by Murdoch Staff (in the Big Gym)
- On your way in, you will add your handprint to the annual handprint mural located at the North Doors
- On your way out, you will pick up your Convocation Cap & Gown (You can have it over the weekend to take pictures with your family and friends!)

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CONVOCATION TUESDAY, JUNE 24^{TH}

- Ceremonies will take place in the Big Gym
- There will be 4 separate ceremonies, you will have to sign up for **1** ceremony time using the Conference Manager. This will happen in May.
- Ceremony times are:

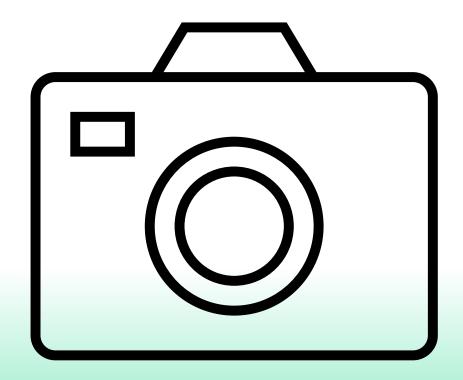
9:00am	10:30am
1:00pm	2:30pm

- Each ceremony will include approximately 50 grads *If you want to graduate with your friends, be sure to sign up for the same ceremony time. Sign-Ups are on a first come, first served basis.*
- NOTE: You will have to arrive at Murdoch 15 minutes before your ceremony time.
- Each ceremony will last approximately 45 minutes.



MORE CONVOCATION DETAILS

- Immediately after your ceremony, you will head to the Susan Auch gym where your family and friends will meet you
- There will be several photo ops in the Susan Auch Gym
- You will return the graduation gown when you leave the Susan Auch Gym so all pictures must be taken before you leave!
- You will receive an important package of information as well!



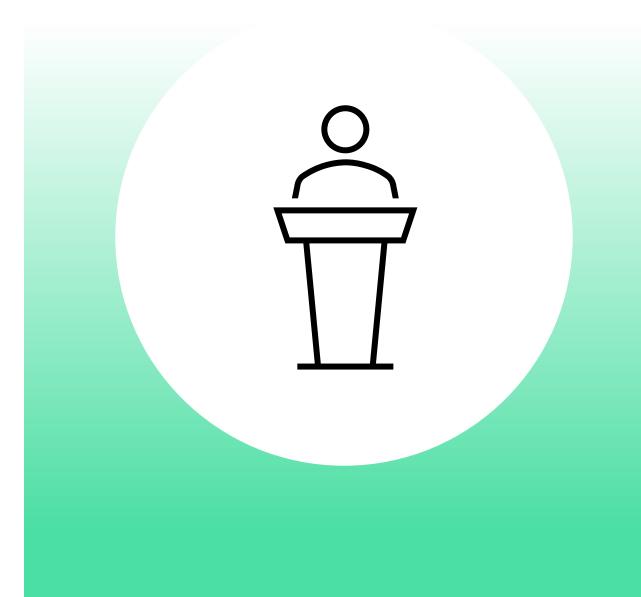


I M P O R T A N T

- When you graduate, you will have the opportunity to leave your mark as you cross the stage to receive your diploma.
- At the next TA meeting, we will be asking you to tell us what you'd like us to say about you as you're graduating.
- Here are some ideas:
 - what you'll be doing next year
 - quote that means something to you
 - words you'll live by
 - thank you to family, friends, staff etc.
- Please think about this and be ready to submit by the next TA meeting!

VALEDICTORIAN

- The Valedictorian has the honour of delivering a speech at Convocation to the rest of the graduating class. This speech typically summarizes the class's accomplishments and offers well wishes along with a farewell message to their fellow graduates.
- Often the Valedictorian is a student with a high academic average and one who is involved with all aspect of life at school The Valedictorian represents the graduating class and should be committed to academic effort and success, be respected by students and staff, be engaged in school and be a charismatic speaker.
- This year, our chosen Valedictorian must attend all 4 ceremonies and deliver their speech 4 times!



- If you are interested in becoming the class of 2025's Valedictorian, you must complete a Statement of Interest by *Friday, March 28th, 2025*
- Your Statement of Interest must include a typed explanation as to why you would consider yourself to be the best candidate, no longer than 500 words
- A signed endorsement of 2 students who would support your application
- A signed endorsement of 2 staff members who would support your application
- You can get a Statement of Interest Form today, from the office, from Ms. Blazek or Ms. Fil
- After Spring Break, the Staff Graduation Committee will consider all submitted Statements of Interest
- From those submitted, a short list of eligible students will be prepared
- Students on the list will be asked to prepare and deliver a short speech at a TA meeting in April to the grade 12 students
- After listening to candidates, grade 12 students will vote on who they think best represents their graduating class as valedictorian

POST SECONDARY & SCHOLARSHIPS



March 1st Application deadline for direct entry and entrance scholarships at U of W and U of M



Scholarship Email List – if you are not on the list, email or message Ms. Shymko to get on it



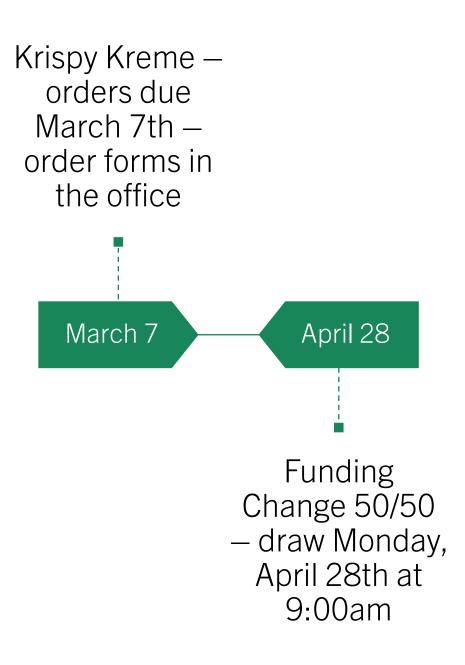
Murdoch Scholarship Application Form will be sent out in April

SAFE GRAD WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25TH

Tentative time is 5:30pm to 12:30am (details will be finalized soon) This is a ticketed event at the Club Regent Event Centre Tickets will be purchased online during the last two weeks of May

Ticket prices will be dependent on fundraising This is a parent planned event, the school is not involved in the planning or implementation of this event.

SAFE GRAD FUNDRAISERS



SAFE GRAD STUDENT MEETINGS If you are interested in providing your input for Safe Grad, here are upcoming meeting dates:

Thursday, March 6 @ lunch

Thursday, March 13 @ lunch

Thursday, March 20 @ lunch

All meetings will take place in the Chemistry Lab

GRAD WEAR

- You can purchase Grad online through Entripy Shops
- Orders will be mailed to your residence
- <u>https://murdochmackay.entripyshops.com</u>
- There are many options to choose from styles and logos!

CONVOCATION GRAD GOWN HEIGHT

- We need your height to order your grad gown rental
- Estimate your height with shoes (a guess is fine!)



