

Grad Rings

Horton grad rings are generally available from local jewelers as well as school ring companies. Each fall, *Josten Class Rings* visits Horton during the school day and sometimes in the evening to provide information to students and parents and to take orders for grad rings. They will be here on September 21 & 22.

Scholarships, Transcripts, Student Loans

Student Services at Horton maintains an extensive website with important information on bursaries, scholarships, student loans and other important items. Grads requiring unofficial transcripts for pickup or official transcripts for a post-secondary institution must make application through Mrs. Langille in Student Services. **Final transcripts will not be sent automatically; they must be requested by the student.**

End of Year Information

In May all graduating students will receive a brochure which provides details about grad week events and important dates leading up to that time. If you do not receive a copy of this, please contact the office. *Graduates who complete their studies in January are responsible for maintaining contact with the school.*



Grad Year Timeline

Please check our online calendar for specific dates and watch our monthly newsletter for updated information.

September	Josten Class Rings Visits Horton First Safe Grad Meeting
October	Yearbook Sales (Minimum of 100 Orders Required by End of October.) Grade 12 Parent Info Night (Scholarships, etc.)
December	Grad Photos Taken By Harvey Studios ALL Yearbook Orders Must Be In by December 31.
February	Grad Photo Retakes
April	Measurement for Grad Gowns
May	Grad Week Brochure Is Distributed
June	Grad Practices and Preparation for Grad Week Events



Horton High School Information For Graduating Students and Their Parents



September 2016

Grade 12 is an exciting year for students, with many items and deadlines to consider in addition to completing the final courses required for graduation. Grad year can be expensive, so it is important that potential grads and their families are aware of the various costs associated with graduation. This brochure is intended to assist grade 12 students and their parents with planning for the next several months.

Grade 12 Fee

All grade 12 students who are expecting to graduate in June are required to pay a grade 12 fee of \$80. This fee is collected by Mrs. Langille at Student Services and covers many things, including (but not limited to):

- rental of grad gown & stole
- purchase of grad cap and tassel
- purchase of flowers for graduation
- subsidization of Grad Banquet & Prom
- purchase of grad certificate folder
- Prom ticket for the graduate

Grade 12 Credit Checks

In September, grade 12 students are assisted in doing a credit check during home room period. The online Credit Checker available in PowerSchool is a helpful tool, but occasionally it can miss a credit and yield incorrect results. When in doubt, grads should check with Mr. Armstrong in Student Services to confirm their graduation status.

Safe Grad

The parent committee which organizes and raises funds for Safe Grad generally begin meeting in early October. We encourage all parents to get involved and support this longstanding Horton tradition.

Grad Photos

Many grade 12 students and their families purchase grad photos, either from the school photographer or from a local establishment. Horton has contracted *Harvey Studios* to provide grad photos for the school. Grade 12 students may schedule an appointment with the grad photographer when Harvey Studios visits Horton in December. **It is crucial that ALL graduating students have their photo taken by the school photographer. Failure to do so will result in photos being excluded from the wall composite and possibly the yearbook.** *There is no charge to have grad photos taken by the school photographer, though grads may choose to book a paid sitting, which provides additional poses and proofs from which to order photos.* Harvey Studios will return to Horton in February for any necessary retakes and to provide grad photos to students who registered for second semester.

Grad Gowns for Local Photographers

Students who wish to rent a Horton grad gown or sash to have their photos taken by a local photographer may do so through Student

Services. The rental fee is \$5 for a gown and \$1 for a sash.

Ordering Grad Gowns

In April, the height of all 12 students is measured to determine the required length of their grad gown. Grads are called to Student Services by home room during a few lunch breaks to do this. **It is important that all students planning on participating in the grad ceremony pay their grade 12 fee and be measured for a grad gown.**

Yearbooks

Yearbook sales begin in the fall, before the Christmas Break. Price is \$40, with \$20 minimum payment at time of ordering **This year, we must have at least 100 books ordered by October 31 or there will be no yearbook. ALL orders must be in by December 31.** *Grads who wish to be included in the grad section must make sure that they have their photos taken by the school photographer.*

Students In Financial Need

Students whose families are struggling financially are encouraged to make contact with Student Services, as there are funds available to assist with grade 12 fees, yearbook, etc.

