## **Holy Cross** High School Graduation 2025

## **School Prayer**

Creator God,

As we begin this new day, we thank you for being with us.

We thank you for the talents, the gifts and the graces you have blessed us with.

We ask you to open our hearts and fill us with the gifts of the Holy Spirit so that we might have the courage and strength to do your will.

## **School Prayer**

Unite us, and inspire us to be people of faith, hope and love, so that through us

You may build your kingdom of peace and justice on earth.

We ask all this through Jesus your Son and our Brother, and Mary our Mother,

Amen.

All the Saints at the Holy Cross of Jesus – pray for us.

## Agenda

- 1. Prayer
- 2. Graduation Information
  - a. Graduation activities
  - ь. Eligibility
  - c. Grade 12 Honour Roll
  - d. Timelines
  - e. Fees
- 3. Grad Parent Committee

#### **Grade 12 Retreat**

All Grade 12 students are required to attend the retreat (during the school day) Thursday, June 5th. Mark your calendars.

Further details coming.

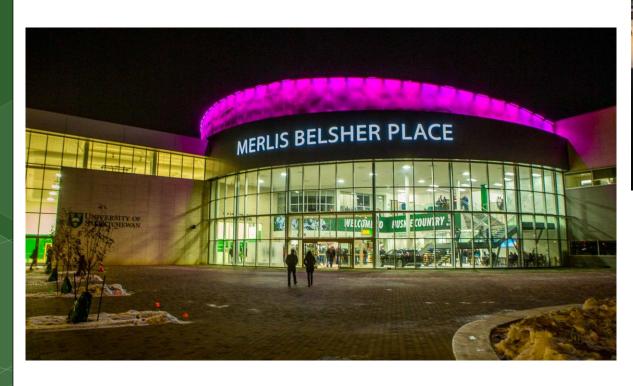
## **Graduation Activities Thursday, June 26, 2025**

**Graduation Liturgy and Ceremony** 

Merlis Belsher Place at 9:00am

(Grade 12's need to arrive to line up at 8:15am)

## Merlis Belsher Place







## **Eligibility for Graduation**

To be eligible to participate in Graduation, a student must:

- Have at least 19 credits before entering the final semester.
- Be registered in Semester 2 for enough courses that total at least 24 credits.
- Have passed or be passing all required courses (including Cyber) by April 14 (midterm date). If not, the student will meet with Ms. Hayes to make a plan to be passing and parents/guardians will be informed.
- Satisfy the requirements of Catholic Studies 30 and attend the Grade 12 Retreat.

## Required Courses for Graduation

GRADE 10 (LEVEL 10)	GRADE 11 (LEVEL 20)		GRADE 12 (LEVEL 30)
Catholic Studies 10	Catholic Studies 20		Catholic Studies 30
English Lang. Arts A10 **	English Lang. Arts 20 **		English Lang. Arts A30 **
English Lang. Arts B10 **	Level 20 Math course **		English Lang. Arts B30 **
History 10 * OR	Level 20 Science course	*	History 30 * OR
Indigenous Studies 10			Indigenous Studies 30
Foundations of Math &	History 30 or Indigenous Studies 30 is required at the Grade 12 level to graduate. One		
Pre-Calculus 10 ** OR	additional Social Science credit must be taken at the 20 or 30 Level from the following:		
Work & Apprenticeship Math 10	History 20	History 30	
Science 10 *	Indigenous Studies 20 Indigenous Studies 30		
Wellness 10	Psychology 20	Psychology 30	)
	Law 30		
Plus electives to work toward	Plus electives to work toward		To achieve Grade 12 standing, you must
Grade 12 standing	Grade 12 standing		have a minimum of 24 credits, 5 of which must be at the 30 level

A student must earn a minimum of **24 credit** units to graduate.

# Required Courses for Graduation (French Immersion)

GRADE 10 (LEVEL 10)	GRADE 11 (LEVEL 20)	GRADE 12 (LEVEL 30)
Études Catholiques 10 Français Immersion 10 Histoire 10 Math Fondements et Precalculus 10 English Language Arts A10 ** OR English Language Arts B10 ** Science 10 * Wellness 10	Études Catholiques 20 Français Immersion 20 Français Immersion Intégré A20 Fondements des Mathématiques 20 Histoire 20 English Language Arts 20 ** Level 20 Science course *	Études Catholiques 30 Français Immersion 30 Sciences Sociale Immersion 30 English Lang. Arts A30 ** OR English Lang. Arts B30 **
(Total 4 French)	(Total 5 French)	(Total 3 French)
Plus electives to work toward Grade 12 standing	Plus electives to work toward Grade 12 standing	To achieve Grade 12 standing you must have a minimum of 24 credits, 5 of which must be at 30-level. A French Immersion diploma requires 12 French Immersion credits.

A student must earn a minimum of **24 credit** units to graduate.

## **Eligibility for Graduation**

 Students complete an online Application to Graduate package (February).

 Paid all school fees, returned all school materials (start paying in school fees in installments if needed)

## The Application to Graduate

- o Students will access a copy of their transcripts on MSS and complete the Application to Graduate online form in class.
- o They need to make sure the list of credits is accurate from Grade 10 and up, including the ones they are currently taking.

## The Application to Graduate

- o Include credits received from other schools like Cyber School.
- o Also need to include height for Grad gown.
- olf unable or not wanting to participate in grad, please indicate on form.

## The Application to Graduate

Mid-March Grad list is posted check for the following:

- Highlighted names for fees owing
- Check spelling of name / middle name
- Highlighted name if you will have exactly 24 credits

#### **Counsellor Connection**

- Go to the portal on your child's GSCS account
- Click on



• Under High Schools select Holy Cross

 Mental Health
 Holy Cross Home
 Honour Roll
 SAT Prep

 HC Scholarships and Awards
 Parent Resources
 Careers
 Student Notices

#### **Grade 12 Honour Roll**

oFirst semester <u>final</u> marks and 2<sup>nd</sup> semester <u>Monday</u>, <u>June 2 marks</u>.

oStudents taking a Cyber School class like CST 30 or IST30 (required courses) must be at mid-term in that course for it to be calculated. If not, they will not be eligible for Honour Roll.

## **English Honour Roll**

#### **Required Courses:**

- oEnglish Language Arts A30 and B30
- oCatholic Studies 30
- **o**History 30 or Indigenous Studies 30
- oNext 4 highest Level 30 classes
- oTotal of 8 classes

#### French Immersion Honour Roll

#### **Required Courses:**

- oÉtudes Catholiques 30
- **o**Science Sociale 30
- oFrançais Immersion 30
- oEnglish Language Arts A30 or B30
- oNext 4 highest level 30 classes
- oTotal of 8 classes

### **Second Semester**

oValedictorian and Salutatorian will be chosen through a voting process in May. Only Grade 12s can vote.

## Stay informed!

- o 2025 Graduates Edsby group
- o Student Services Notices Edsby group
- o Counsellor Connection tile on portal

## **Grad Photos**

- o January 20 27
- o All Grade 12's are asked to sign up for grad photos online whether they are graduating or not. Purchase is optional, but we need photos for yearbook and composite.
- o\$35 (last year's amount) sitting fee which includes 10 12 poses and the 11x14 class composite and vinyl folder is received at Grad

## **Graduation Liturgy and Exercises**

- Must wear cap, gown and stole.
- Wear comfortable shoes.
- Shorts may not be worn under the gown.
- Don't wear tux or gown during Exercises.
- Gown and stole must be returned immediately after the ceremony.

# Grad Rehearsal and picking up of grad gowns

Friday, June 20 after the Period 3 final exam in the theatre.

You will also pick up your grad gown at this time. School fees must be paid prior to picking up grad gown.

You can book personal photos for June 20 – June 25

#### **Graduation Costs**

\$25.00 (Grad Retreat) and \$70.00 (Other costs) - included with initial school fees:

- Gown and stole rental (exploring options)
- o Grad cap and tassel (graduates keep these)
- Merlis Belsher rental/costs (liturgy & Ceremonies)
- o Flowers/plants
- Incidentals

## Not included in \$70.00

Parent-led graduation activities such as banquet, after grad events

#### **Final Words**

- o Grad is still 8 months away. Make a plan and pace yourself.
- o Remember grad is one day, what you really need to plan for is life after grad.
- o This semester pass all your classes! If you are struggling, talk to someone.
- Pay attention to Student Services notices.
- o Be leaders.
- o Have a great year!

#### Parent Grad Committee

- Will be organizing a Winter Formal Tuesday, January 28 at Gordie Howe – no school the next day
- June 26 Grad Banquet 6:30pm and After Grad on Thursday,
   June 26 at Prairieland
- Funscrip gift card fundraiser all grads will be expected to sell a minimum 5 cards
- Need parents to sign up to volunteer please contact: deanemartin@yahoo.com