



Kate Andrews High School

Grad 2023 Information



Everyone at Kate Andrews High School looks forward to celebrating your high school graduation with you and your family! While this occasion is still a few months away, the following information will help you plan for this event.

Please note: Many schools charge a Grad Fee, that is a flat fee to each student to cover the cost of facility rental, decorations, and other services that are used during the day of Grad. Kate Andrews does not charge a Grad Fee, as we fundraise through the vending machines in the lunch room to cover these costs. The only cost that is passed on to Grads and their families is the cost of the banquet tickets for each person's meal.

There are two main activities for your graduation:

- The **Convocation and Awards Ceremony** at the College Drive Church. This is a formal ceremony to recognize the accomplishments of each graduate.
- The **Graduation Banquet** at the Coast Hotel. The evening activities provide a time for graduates to share and celebrate with their peers and families. There will be a banquet, program, and slide show production.

There are four planning groups that work hard to make your graduation day outstanding:

- **KAHS Staff Grad Committee** (Caitlin Mattattall, Kennedy Gurski, Amy McDougall, Kim Alexander)
- **KAHS Awards Committee** (Daniel Grimes, Jo-Anna Meurs, Kendell Wiens, Amy McDougall, Janae Haslam, Kristy Darby)
- **Student Grad Committee** - these meetings are open to all grade 12 students.
 - **Student sub-committees** to commit to things like decorations, slideshows, programs, etc.
- **Decorating Committee** consisting of Amy McDougall, Colleen Davies, Kennedy Gurski, Layne Lenhart

Important Dates: Mark Your Calendar!

March	Student Grad Committee established. Please email caitlin.mattattall@pallisersd.ab.ca if you missed the first meeting but are interested in joining.
May 1 deadline	Baby/Childhood pictures must be submitted on Google Classroom or brought to the office to be scanned.
May 1 deadline	Eligibility for FNMI status at convocation. Please email caitlin.mattattall@pallisersd.ab.ca if you want to be recognized.
May 29- June 7	Purchase Grad Banquet Tickets through School Cash Online. Tickets will be available at \$50 per ticket. A maximum of 8 tickets per grad (including graduate). All school/extra-curricular fees must be paid in full before banquet tickets can be purchased.
June 12-16	Convocation tickets will be given to grads. There is no cost for convocation tickets. A maximum of 6 tickets per grad. (This is so that family can be guaranteed a seat as there is limited capacity in the church.)
June 26	Grad Rehearsal at College Drive Church. 1:00pm sharp. All grads must be in attendance.
June 27	Grad Convocation and Banquet

Requirements for a High School Diploma:

To earn an Alberta High School Diploma a student must meet the following requirements:

Earn a minimum of 100 credits, and

Complete and meet the standards of the following courses:

- English 30-1 or 30-2
- Social Studies 30-1 or 30-2
- One of: Mathematics 20-1, 20-2, or 20-3
- One of: Science 20, Science 24, Biology 20, Chemistry 20, or Physics 20
- Physical Education 10
- Career and Life Management (CALM)
- 10 Credits in any combination from Career and Technology Studies (CTS) or Fine Arts or Physical Education (beyond PE 10), Second Languages, or Registered Apprenticeship Program.
- 10 Credits in any 30-level course IN ADDITION to English 30-1 or 30-2 AND a 30-level Social Studies course. Courses may include Science 30, Biology 30, Chemistry 30, Physics 30, Math 30-1, 30-2, or 30-3, Art 30, Drama 30, Music 30, Info Pro 30 modules, Com Tech 30 modules, Foods 30 modules, Fashion Studies 30 modules, French 30, Work Experience 35.
- The final 24 credits required can be from any combination of 20 and 30 level courses not already accounted for.

Graduation Checklist

- All diploma requirements have been met.
- Grad photos with Lifetouch
- Baby pictures have been submitted by May 1 through Google Classroom.
- Purchase Graduation Banquet tickets on School Cash Online from **May 30- June 8 only**. *Printed receipt online will be the only issued tickets.*
- Convocation tickets handed out June 12-16.
- Graduation Rehearsal. Monday, June 26 at 1:00pm.
- All fees have been paid and all textbooks are returned by June 23.
- Convocation and Awards Ceremony. Tuesday, June 27 at 1:00pm. Doors open at 12:50pm. Graduates arrive at 12:15pm.
- Banquet Ceremony. Tuesday, June 27 at 5:30pm. Graduates arrive at 5:15pm.



BABY PICTURES

As part of the slideshow presentation, a clear baby picture of each graduate must be brought to the office or submitted on Google Classroom no later than May 1.

Please ensure baby pictures include the graduate's name.

FNMI Recognition

If your graduate qualifies for First Nations, Metis, or Inuit status, please contact the office or email caitlin.mattatall@pallisersd.ab.ca no later than May 1.

CONVOCATION CEREMONY

Graduation Convocation and Awards Info

Convocation tickets are free of charge, each grad will receive a maximum of 6 tickets (the graduate does not need a ticket) for their family and friends to attend the ceremony. Graduates must meet the requirements for an Alberta High School Diploma, have all school fees paid, and books returned to be able to participate.

Graduates will enter to be seated in the first few rows of the sanctuary seating. Guest seating (family and friends) will be in the remaining sanctuary seating; seating is limited, so **only those with a convocation ticket will be permitted to enter.**

Lifetouch is the official photographer and will take pictures of each grad receiving his/her diploma. As a gift from Kate Andrews High School, the individual and group photographs will be provided to each graduate.

Parents/Guests are asked to remain seated during the convocation as there is no area available for personal photographs.

Graduation Convocation and Awards

College Drive Community Church

Tuesday, June 27, 2022 @ 1:00pm

Grads arrive @ 12:15pm

Doors open at 12:50pm

Online Streaming will be available.

A Class of 2023 GROUP PHOTO will be taken prior to the ceremony inside the church. Grads must be at the church no later than 12:15pm or will not be included in the class photo.

Each Grad will receive a copy of the group photo.

Convocation Ceremony

Tuesday, June 27 at College Drive Church
(2710 College Drive S, Lethbridge)

12:15pm Grads assemble for Class of 2023 photo

12:50pm Doors open for seating for those with a convocation ticket.

1:00pm Convocation and Awards Ceremony begins

3:00pm Conclusion of Ceremony

Rehearsal

Monday, June 26
at College Drive Church
@ 1pm sharp

All graduates must be in attendance.

Usually takes just over an hour if everyone is on time.

GRAD BANQUET

Tuesday, June 27, 2023

Coast Hotel 5:30pm

Grads must arrive by 5:15pm

TICKETS

Banquet tickets will be sold through School Cash Online from **May 29-June 7 only** for **\$50 per ticket**. A maximum of 8 tickets per graduate are available for purchase (*this must include the graduate's ticket*).

Anyone, including graduates, planning to attend the banquet, must purchase a ticket.

If there are family circumstances which require additional tickets, please contact Mrs. Mattatall (caitlin.mattatall@pallisersd.ab.ca)

Assigned Seating

When you buy a ticket, you buy a seat at a table. Your assigned seats and table number will be indicated by seating charts displayed at the doors of the Coast Hotel. Due to limited space in the banquet room, we appreciate your understanding as we endeavor to accommodate all guests in a fair and equitable way.

Banquet tickets will not be printed. Your ticket is your receipt from School Cash Online. You can bring your receipt with you and we will also have a list printed, with table numbers at the ceremony.

When you purchase your tickets, please let us know if you have any dietary restrictions, mobility restrictions (wheelchair), or special seating circumstances by emailing caitlin.mattatall@pallisersd.ab.ca no later than June 7th.



Grad Banquet Ceremony

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| 5:15pm | Grads must be in the basement banquet rooms to line up for entrance. |
| 5:30pm | Guests with purchased banquet tickets should be sitting at their assigned tables. |
| 5:35pm | Ceremony begins and grads enter in a grand march. |
| 5:40pm | Banquet dinner service begins |
| 7:00pm | Program begins (speeches and recognition) |
| 9:00pm | Program concludes |