



Bishop Ryan Catholic Secondary School

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October 14, 2020

Dear *Graduates of 2020 and their Parents/Guardians*,

I hope this message finds you and your loved ones well and filled with faith and optimism. Unfortunately, the pandemic and its associated provincial prevention measures continue to have a negative impact on our graduation plans. Below you will find our revised plan to bring Graduation 2020 to its culmination.

Graduation Ceremony

It is with deep regret that the in-person graduation ceremony and all associated activities that were rescheduled for **Thursday, October 22, 2020** at First Ontario Concert Hall have been cancelled. As upsetting as this news is, Bishop Ryan remains committed to ensuring the health and safety of our students, staff, and community by respecting and adhering to current Public Health guidelines.

To recognize the extraordinary achievements of the Class of 2020, we will be launching a final video ceremony commemorating our graduates.

The video ceremony will be available for viewing on Thursday, October 22nd, 2020 at 3:00pm.

- A You Tube link to the video will be posted on our school website, myClass/LMS, the Graduation Committee Instagram™, and our school Twitter™ account.

In the weeks following the virtual ceremony, all students will receive a package by mail that contains:

- Your Diploma
- The Ceremony Programme
- Any Graduation Awards conferred
- The Graduation Composite

We will be using the last home addresses we had on file as of 2019/2020. If your home address has changed since June 2020, please contact us at 905-573-2151 or br@hwcdsb.ca.

Questions about our graduation plan can be sent to bogovicm@hwcdsb.ca or civitareales@hwcdsb.ca.

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Graduation Fees and Extra Ceremony Tickets Refunds

Graduates who have paid their **graduation fee** will be reimbursed **\$80**. This represents the remainder of the graduation fee after the cost of the graduation gift that was delivered in June which included a graduation gown/cap/tassel, laptop sticker, keychain, graduation t-shirt and printed portrait. Graduates who have paid for **extra tickets to the ceremony** will be reimbursed for them in full.

All refunds will be processed automatically to your original method of payment (i.e. you do not need to contact the school). Please allow 10-12 days for your refund to appear.

Outstanding Textbooks and Borrowed Computer Devices

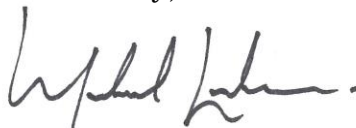
Graduates may drop off any borrowed textbooks, library books, or computer devices (i.e. laptops and i-Pads) that were borrowed during the school closure on October 22 and 23 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the school Forum/Foyer. If unable to make the dates above, please contact the school at 905-573-2151 or br@hwcdsb.ca. We are in great need of loaned textbooks and computer devices! Please do search your home and return any items.

Yearbooks

Graduates may come pick-up their Yearbook on October 22 and 23 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the school Forum/Foyer. Please bring some identification. After these dates, Yearbooks will be unavailable for pick-up until after the pandemic concludes. Additionally, given privacy and pandemic restrictions, we are only able to provide Yearbooks to the actual Graduate at this time.

The Bishop Ryan Community is immensely proud of its graduates and all their accomplishments. Congratulations again to the Class of 2020!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Lawlor".

Michael Lawlor
Principal