

# 2017 GRAD – PARENT INFORMATION

## COMMUNICATION

One of the ways we will get information out to parents is through a text message service called **REMIND**. Text the number (204)817-0221 with the message '@grad2017pa'. This is a read-only application, and allows me to send information and reminders directly to your device.

You can also check the school website [www.westwood.sjsd.net](http://www.westwood.sjsd.net) , or email Ms. Walterson [swalterson@sjsd.net](mailto:swalterson@sjsd.net) with any questions.

## IMPORTANT DATES AND INFORMATION

- **Grey Cup/Super Bowl ticket sales??**
  - o Tickets will be given to students to sell and return prior to each event.
- **Grad Craft Show**
  - o Takes place on Saturday, November 19, 2016 (set-up the Friday before).
  - o The major fundraiser to raise money for the Convocation and Dinner.
  - o A Bake sale is part of the event, requiring baked goods donated by the graduates and their families. We also have a silent auction with items from both crafters and donations.
- **Grad Rings**
  - o In November, a rep will be at the school showcasing the choices for grad rings. Information will be available in the office.
- **Grad Photos**
  - o Takes place Monday – Friday, February 13<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> 2017.
  - o Prices for sitting fees TBA. Students also pay for their convocation grad gown rental at this time. Sitting times are between 10-15mins in length, and students should sign up for their sitting during a spare.

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- **“The Event” – variety/dance fundraiser**
  - Takes place on Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup> 2017. (full day rehearsal for students on the Friday in-service day)
  - The major fundraiser for the Safe Grad.
  - This event includes a silent auction, and ticket purchasing.
- **Pancake Breakfast??**
  - Spring/Fall – one Saturday or Sunday Morning. Supervised by Safe Grad Parents, run by student volunteers.
  - Takes place at the Applebee’s on Grant Ave.
- **Grad Car Wash**
  - Sat, May 27<sup>th</sup> 2017. Supervised by safe grad parents, run by student volunteers. Last year held at the Canadian Tire Gas station on Portage across from the Y.
- **Grad Dinner ticket sales**
  - Will take place from **May 30<sup>th</sup> to June 1<sup>st</sup> 2017**. Cost TBA in the New Year. Online purchasing of the tickets will be available prior to this date, but seating arrangements must be made in person on these dates. Students/parents will also return their safe grad forms at this time.
- **Convocation**
  - **June 26<sup>th</sup> 2017** – Grad Convocation Rehearsal – Westwood gym at 10am.
  - **June 27<sup>th</sup> 2017** - Grad Convocation – Centennial Concert Hall, 9am (students arrive 8am). 555 Main St.
- **Grad Dinner/Dance/Safe Grad**
  - **June 29<sup>th</sup> 2017** – Grad Dinner/Safe Grad – Victoria Inn, 1808 Wellington Ave. Doors open at 5pm, dinner and speeches begin at 6pm. Please remember to bring ID and money to the event.
  - If students wish to change, they need to be aware that the event is still semi-formal, and that all dresses, bags, clothing must be taken home by the parent prior to the start of the safe grad.

**Additional Fundraisers – to be held if necessary to accommodate the safe grad event.**