



# JOHN OLIVER SECONDARY SCHOOL

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## INFORMATION FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF GRADE 12 STUDENTS

I would like to take this opportunity to provide an overview of the school-sponsored grad events that students leaving Grade 12 are invited to attend. (Anything not mentioned below is not sponsored, supervised, nor sanctioned by the school). Please note that students who have not been attending school and/or respecting our school Code of Conduct may not be invited to participate in these school events.

### **GRADUATION CEREMONY REHEARSAL – Friday June 16, 2023, during last Block**

- It is mandatory that all grads attend the rehearsal to ensure that the formal ceremony runs smoothly and to obtain their grad gown package (gown, cap, stole and tassel)
- Gr.12's will be called down to the Cafeteria for the rehearsal.

### **GRADUATION GOWNS FOR THE CEREMONY**

- Gowns, stoles, caps and tassels will be provided to each grad to wear for the Ceremony and will be distributed at the Grad Rehearsal. Please note that these items are yours to keep as a souvenir of the event. Make sure you have your name written on the inside of your cap if you wish to keep it.
- Only caps may be embellished with appropriate decorations. If deemed inappropriate, you will not be able to wear your cap during the ceremony.

### **GRADUATION CEREMONY – Tuesday June 20, 2023, and begins at 5:00PM**

- At the Chan Centre at UBC. Address is 6265 Crescent Road, Vancouver, BC
- Lobby doors will open at 4:00PM
- Auditorium doors will open at 4:30PM
- Grads are expected to arrive at the Chan Center by 4:00PM, dressed in their Gowns. Grads should enter the Royal Bank Cinema entrance (Entrance 2), which is on the north side of Crescent Road. Grads will receive their line up card and assemble in Row and Numerical order. (As practiced during rehearsal)



Graphic map shows the Rose Garden Parkade, Entrance 1 (where guests and families enter the Chan) and Entrance 2 (where grads need to enter for assembly).

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- Grads are to remain seated in their reserved area throughout the ceremony.
- Families and friends of grads are asked to remain seated until the entire ceremony is completed.
- A photographer from Artona Studios will be taking a photo of each graduate as they cross the stage and again if they are presented an award. These photos can be picked up from the office as of June 26-29.
- Cell phones – please turn off cell phones and electronic devices before you enter the Auditorium.
- This formal evening event is a celebration of the culmination of public schooling. All graduates and guests are expected to remain for the entire program as we acknowledge each graduate. As this is a formal occasion, applause is the acceptable form of recognition for grads – no noisemakers or airhorns please.

**PARKING AT THE CHAN CENTRE:**

- Please take into consideration parking and traffic getting to UBC and plan to arrive early. There is plenty of parking available in the Rose Garden Parkade and other adjacent lots. The Rose Garden Parkade has the quickest and easiest access to the Chan Centre. Payment machines are located on Level 3 and 5. The payment machines do not accept bills. Only credit cards and coins are accepted. More information on Directions and Parking can be found at this link: <http://chancentre.com/directions/>

**GRADUATION CEREMONY TICKETS – Pick up from the Office between May 29-June 2**

- From May 29 to June 2 student can pick up their Two (2) complimentary tickets; grads do not require a ticket. Every guest attending the ceremony is required to have a ticket, regardless of age.
- Additional Two (2) ticket can be purchased for \$10 each from May 29 to June 2
- If any additional tickets are remaining, more tickets can be purchased for \$10 each starting on June 5 and onwards. Tickets will be available on a first come, first served basis until all tickets are sold.
- Each guest will need a ticket for entry into the Chan Centre.
- There will not be any additional tickets available for purchase at the Chan Centre.
- **Please do not lose your tickets, they cannot be replaced.**

**GRADUATION DINNER & DANCE – Tuesday June 27, 2023 at the Coast Coal Harbour Hotel**

- The Coast Coal Harbour Hotel is located at 1180 Hastings Street West, Vancouver BC
- Dinner & Dance Tickets cost \$120 and must be purchased by May 31 online through SchoolCash [SchoolCashOnline.com: Welcome](http://SchoolCashOnline.com: Welcome)
- Student should arrive for registration, entrance, and security check at 6PM
- Once you are registered there are no in and out privileges.
- There will be security bag and coat check at this event. Outside food and beverages are not permitted. All School rules and the JO Code of Conduct apply – use of drugs or alcohol before or during this event is prohibited, as are vaping and smoking.
- We will not be including guests from outside the school in this year's Dinner & Dance

If you have any other questions, please contact the office at 604-713-8938.

Thank You,

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Principal