

CLASS FAREWELL PROCEDURES 2019

The Event

The “end-of-schooling” celebration at Bawlf School is called CLASS FAREWELL. It is not a graduation since no one has graduated. Our expectation is that all students within the class are allowed to participate as long as they are registered in a program for which they can achieve a High School Diploma, Certificate of Achievement or Certificate of Completion in the current school year and are diligently working to complete that program and pay their fee by the designated deadline (this may fluctuate depending on circumstances). There are no guarantees that all class members who qualify through program registration will indeed achieve completion since there is no way of truly knowing until diploma course marks are known in mid-July.

Date

Class Farewell is scheduled for **Friday, May 24, 2019**. It is a one-day event which has the banquet and exercises as key highlights. A formal class photograph is scheduled during the day, prior to the banquet.

Fees

Each qualified participant will be required to pay a base fee of \$100, as well as the banquet cost per plate that is listed on the back. Payable to **Bawlf School** by April 30th. Please see the “Banquet” category for details of the cost of the banquet as the base fee does **NOT** cover the Gr. 12 student’s plate. All fees must be paid in order to participate in Class Farewell. Payment plans are available for those who require that option.

The fee covers: sitting fees for pictures, one casual group picture, one formal group picture, a memory folder with Bawlf School diploma, decorations, invitations, and hall rental.

Photos

Smart Photography is booked to do individual photos on **Friday, April 12th**. If you wish to make other arrangements, that is allowed but all students must have their photo taken by Smart Photography on Class Farewell day. They have competitive prices and packages. For the sitting fee they do 10 poses (individual), supply gowns, roses and a variety of backgrounds, provide one free 5 X 7 to the school for inclusion in the memory folder, and do a framed wall composite for the school. They usually send two photographers so the day goes quickly and flexibility is maximized. They also take the class picture just prior to the banquet.

Banquet

The banquet has been booked through Mad Platter Catering from Camrose and held at the Bawlf Community Hall on main street. This starts promptly at 5:00 p.m. Menu will be predetermined. Cost is \$27 per plate. This is a one hour formal event with the focus on the Grade 12 class. We would like to keep the number of attendees reasonable, therefore it is preferred to focus on immediate family and escorts as extra guests.

Decorations

Gymnasium and hall decorations are the responsibility of the grade 12 class. All students are expected to help in the process of decorating and cleaning up afterwards. Costs are borne by the fee each student pays. Colors are chosen by the class. A committee is formed of interested class members and Mrs. Banack will help coordinate this for this year.

Invitations

Class members design the invitation for the banquet and event program. There are NO school invitations for the exercises. The gym holds approximately 700 guests, so students can create their own exercise invites for desired guests. Reserve seating is provided for the immediate families of the class. The itinerary for that day is:

4 pm Class Photo at School

5 pm Banquet at hall

7 pm Exercises in School gym (approximately 2 to 2.5 hours long)

Theme

Theme and music are determined by the class with staff guidance.

Speeches

Most speakers (M.C., tributes, etc.) are chosen by the students themselves. The class valedictorian is the student who has the highest academic standing in the class as determined through comparison of the academic courses (English 30, Math 30, Social Studies 30, Biology 30, Math 31, etc.) the students have in common. Final grades in semester one courses and mid-term marks in semester two are the determining factors. It is a great honor to serve as the valedictorian. However, if circumstances dictate, an alternate may be determined by school administration.