



# INFORMATION FOR GRADUATES:



The graduation ceremony will be on **Monday, June 16th, 2025 at 1 pm** sharp.

Guests will require a guest ticket. Three tickets will be given to each graduate. If you have not received your tickets, please see Judy in the main office.

The QR code:

- links to instructions from today until June 16th.
- From the 16th-20th, the QR code will lead to the “Program” which is a document with all the 2024-2025 Graduates names, award winners names, and the schedule for the ceremony.

How the day will go:

1. On the day of the ceremony, **please check in to room 216 before 12pm**. The room will be open from **10am - 12:15pm**. Please do not wait until the last minute as it can get very busy with a long wait.

→ Go to room 218 where you will receive a card with your name

→ Then to room 216 where you will receive your gown, stole and cap.



- **You must return the gown and stole before leaving the building. Tables will be set up for you to return and sign your name.**
- **You can keep your graduation cap!**

2. At 12:20 grads are lined up in the hallway starting at the breakfast club, award winners at the front.

3. The piper will lead the long lineup of grads into the auditorium where they will be guided to specific seats, on the left side of the auditorium. All guests will be standing and clapping.
4. There will be a land acknowledgement by a student followed by a Welcome song by an Algonquin Singer. Please stand and do not clap along or clap at the end.
5. As you line up to go on stage, make sure you have your name card in hand and pass it to the teacher at the podium.
6. Go to the centre of the stage to meet the person giving you your diploma (if you do not wish to shake hands, place your hand on your chest) take your folder and walk off the stage and back to your seat.

—>You must remain in the auditorium until the ceremony closes

7. At the end, the Algonquin singer will perform an Honour Song (again no clapping)
8. The VP will make closing remarks and everyone will clap for grads.
9. This is a special moment → The piper will lead the procession of grads out of the auditorium while all guests are standing and clapping. Grads then proceed to the cafeteria, followed by their friends and family. The cafeteria will not open until the grads arrive. The reception area will have water, juice, and light refreshments.
10. Please have lunch before the ceremony as it is 2 hours long.
11. If you need to use the bathroom during the ceremony a teacher will guide you out the back door.
12. The tone of commencement is serious and formal, but still celebratory.
13. Guests may stand and proceed to the front to take photos and then return to their seat.