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St. Andre Bessette Graduation 2021 Information

Dear Graduates and Parents,

We wish to remind you of the virtual mass that has been planned for all to view via SAB Facebook on Friday, June 11 @ 1:00pm. We are also grateful for the EICS school staff helping with music ministry.

Please tune in to <https://www.facebook.com/SABCatholic> to view the mass. Following the mass there will be a short program.

Just a reminder that our Indigenous Grad blessing will take place virtually on June 11 at 10:00am for those students involved.

The following information lays out our vehicle-based Convocation Ceremony which will take place on Saturday, June 12, 2021 starting at 1:00. Details are listed below.

We at St. Andre Bessette are very excited to honour your Graduate. In order to do so in a safe manner that meets government regulations, our grad advisory team has created the following plan for the day.

Beginning at 1:00pm we are planning a vehicle-based convocation ceremony in our visitor parking lot to celebrate our incredibly resilient students. Families will be assigned a specific time **which they must adhere to** in order to keep the drive thru process accessible to all. No entry will be permitted outside the scheduled time. The schedule is attached. All occupants must remain in their vehicle throughout the process. When it is each grad's turn, their name will be announced as they exit their vehicle, walk onto the stage where they will receive their certificate and be photographed by our Lifetouch photographer. **It is our intention to record the event and share it via SAB Facebook for those family and friends at home.**

In order for the event to run smoothly and for everyone to enjoy the experience in a timely manner we have laid out a very specific schedule which we need everyone to follow.

To meet Alberta Health regulations we have had to put the following restrictions in place:

1. **CARS:** One family/car, with the Graduate in the **front** passenger seat.
2. **ORDER OF EVENTS:** In order to accommodate all Grads and social distancing guidelines, the Grad class has been divided alphabetically. [Grad 2021 Vehicle Order](#)
3. **WHILE WAITING FOR PROCESSION OF THE CERTIFICATES:**
 - a. Staff will be managing entry to the Visitor Parking Lot.
 - b. **NO** access to the school is permitted.
4. **PROCESSION OF THE CERTIFICATES:**
 - a. Family members **MUST** remain in the vehicle for the entire event.
 - b. Cars will enter the Visitor Parking Lot at their designated time where they will receive their certificates. This will be a one way access only.
 - c. **Grads will be invited to leave their vehicle and step up onto a small stage to receive their certificate and move their tassel from right to left. A picture will be taken by a professional photographer, which grads will receive a copy of later this month.**
 - d. **While there is no formal dress code for this event, some students may choose to wear formal wear that has already been purchased, others may choose “Sunday Best” and still others might choose whatever makes them comfortable. Regardless, families should not feel they must acquire new outfits for this event; it is not a formal event.** However, if grads wish to move their tassel, please wear your mortar board (grad hat).
 - e. There will be a professional photographer. Family members must remain safely in their vehicles.
 - f. Once through the Visitor Parking lot, Graduates will exit and make their way from the school to have a wonderful afternoon celebrating at home with loved ones.

**Any further minor changes that occur will be communicated with families.*

Please DO decorate your car to honour your child and Graduate of 2021!

Should you have any questions please contact Ms Zaleschuk, Ms Labrecque, or Ms Yuzdepski

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