

WINNIPEG ADULT EDUCATION CENTRE

GRADUATION NEWSLETTER

GRADUATION 2025 CEREMONY

THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 2025 10:00 AM



Dear Graduates of 2025,

Congratulations on your accomplishment! As a staff, we are very proud to be part of your academic success and achieving this milestone in your school and personal journey. Our mission at WAEC is to provide adults the opportunity to achieve their Provincial Grade 12 Diploma. A high school diploma provides additional employment possibilities, opens up post-secondary and training opportunities and you should be incredibly proud of your successes knowing you have received the education needed for the next steps in your journey.

We would like to invite you and your friends and family to share and celebrate your perseverance and hard work by attending the WAEC graduation ceremony at the University of Winnipeg on June 26th, 2025.

Please take the time to read this special Graduation Newsletter as it contains important dates and other information to help prepare you for graduation day.

-Dino Di Fabrizio, Principal

**Not sure if you're eligible to graduate?
Come and see a guidance counselor at
310 Vaughan St!**

SPRING 2025

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ONLINE AT:
WWW.WAEC.CA

GRADUATION PHOTOS

Wednesday, May 21st and Thursday, May 22nd from 9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.



- A fee of \$10 cash or e-transfer is payable at the time of the photo sitting.
- To book your appointment, visit **schoolinterviews.ca/code** and enter the booking code : **r8z87**

- OR, scan the QR code and follow the prompts

For \$10, you will receive:

- 1 - 8 x10
- 1 - 5x7
- 4 wallet sized
- Digital on request



WHAT ABOUT THE CAP & GOWN?



Grads attending the ceremony will be given a cap and gown to wear. The cap and tassel are yours to keep.

Gowns must be returned before you leave!

You will be given time to take pictures wearing the grad attire.

If you have any questions or special requests, please contact Ricki or Colin in the Guidance Office.

GRAD Rehearsal—June 24, 2025

There will be a rehearsal walk-through on June 24 at 10 A.M. at the University of Winnipeg, Duckworth Centre, 400 Spence Street.

WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU ATTEND

GRAD CEREMONY - JUNE 26, 2025

University of Winnipeg - Duckworth Centre
400 Spence Street

Graduates and award winners are expected to arrive by 9:00 A.M.

Please report to the reception desk located on the main floor.

The WAEC student parking lot will **NOT be available on June 26th.**

Please make alternate parking arrangements.

ARE YOU ELIGIBLE TO GRADUATE??

If you are planning on graduating this year, or if you think you may be eligible but aren't sure, please come to the Guidance office to meet with Colin or Ricki to review your information.



DIPLOMA AND TRANSCRIPT PICK-UP

If you do not plan on attending the ceremony, your diploma and transcript will be available for pick-up at 310 Vaughan on June 27th or after August 26.

If you would like a copy of your transcript emailed to you or a post-secondary institution, please email the school at waec@wsd1.org—include your name, date of birth, and email address we are sending the transcript to.



IMPORTANT DATES



Date	Time	Event	Where or Who
Wednesday, May 21 and Thursday, May 22	9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.	Graduation Photos— <u>appointment required</u>	Room 104, Main Campus
Friday, May 30	DEADLINE	Submit your name for valedictorian speech	Jocelyn Shedden / Andrew Kinnear
Friday, June 6	2:00 P.M.	Valedictorian speeches presented to the Selection Committee	Room 001
Tuesday, June 24	10:00 A.M.	Rehearsal for graduation ceremony	University of Winnipeg - Duckworth Centre
Thursday, June 26	10:00 A.M.	Graduation Ceremony	University of Winnipeg - Duckworth Centre
June 27, or after August 26	Please visit our website for summer office hours.	Diploma pick-up	310 Vaughan Street

CALL FOR VALEDICTORIAN



2025 WAEC Valedictorian

Interested in delivering the valedictorian speech? You will be responsible for writing and delivering a four minute speech to the attendees of the 2025 WAEC Graduation Ceremony.

Criteria for the speech:

- You must be a February 2025 or June 2025 graduate of the Winnipeg Adult Education Centre (all sites).

Those interested in the position should consider the three distinct parts of a valedictory speech:

- acknowledgement of help, support or encouragement from families or friends;
- recognition of the teachers (the staff as a whole, not individuals) who have helped the graduates reach this point (a “thank you” from the graduating class);
- a message to your fellow graduates that promotes a positive view of the future.

Important points when delivering your speech:

- The valedictorian is speaking for the entire graduating class and is NOT speaking personally. Therefore, “I” should not appear and there should be no personal stories.
- Keep your points positive. Do not attack or criticize.
- The speech should be approximately four minutes long.

If you are interested in delivering the speech, submit your name to waec@wsd1.org with Valedictorian as the subject **before the end of the school day on Friday, May 30, 2025.**

Candidates must deliver their speeches to the Valedictorian Selection Committee.

Friday, June 5 2025 at 2:00pm —Room 001.

Note: the speech presented in June should be the actual speech delivered on graduation day, although some modifications may be made, if selected.

