### GORDON BELL HIGH SCHOOL

# Class of 2024 Convocation Ceremony



## Portage Avenue Church 1420 Portage Ave

Wednesday, June 26, 2024 11:00 a.m.

The students, staff, and communities of Winnipeg School Division are committed to truth and reconciliation through building relationships with Mother Earth, the original peoples of this land, and the stories that bring us together. We acknowledge the place in which we gather is on Treaty 1 territory, the homeland of the Red River Métis, and the ancestral lands of the Anishinaabe, Ininiwak, and Dakota Oyate peoples.

We at Gordon Bell High School acknowledge that many Indigenous children never made it to their graduation day due to the impact of Residential Schools.



### Welcome to Gordon Bell High School's 92nd Graduation Ceremony for the class of 2024

Thank you for attending this year's Graduation Ceremony. The staff and students of Gordon Bell High School appreciate your presence on this special day.

Please remember to turn off all cell phones prior to the beginning of the ceremony to minimize interruptions during the ceremony.

Please try to limit movement throughout the hall during the ceremony. If you must leave, please try not to leave while presenters are speaking.

No food or drink allowed in the sanctuary and lobby areas.

Childcare is provided. Please ask an usher for assistance.

At the end of the ceremony, please remain standing (if you are able) and allow all graduates to leave the sanctuary with the playing of the recessional.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding!



#### **DESCRIPTION OF SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS**

**Allan Simpson Memorial Scholarship** - awarded to a student with exceptional needs and a future learning plan; has adequate academics, shows perseverance and determination and is involved in extra-curricular activities and /or community.

**Andre Doumbe High School Graduate Award** - Awarded to a graduate enrolled at a University or College, of African decent and who volunteers, participates and gets involved in his/her community.

**Captain Barry Leipsic Awards** - established in memory of a former Gordon Bell student, and is presented to students with integrity and honour who also go out of their way to help and support others.

**Champion Ironworks Scholarships** - recognizes top academics and leadership at our Fresh Start and Senior Off-Campus programs.

**Child Guidance Clinic Award of Merit** - given to a student who has shown resilience and determination in the face of adversity.

**Children of My Heart Award** - was established in honour of the late Leuba Franko, who was an English teacher of literature and a published author and given to a 1st or 2nd generation Canadian who aspires to become a teacher.

**Chown Centennial Entrance Scholarship** - given to an "all-around" graduating student enrolling in the University of Manitoba, with a minimum of 85%.

**Daniel McIntyre Councillor's Award** - recognizes an individual who has shown outstanding engagement in their school and community. It is awarded to a students who is reliable, trustworthy and a good citizen.

**Dhuq'Mar Awards** - Two awards for students in their last year at Gordon Bell to support their creative life-giving plans, intended to help students overcome barriers to success.

**Dr. Alex Wilson Memorial Scholarship** from Ma Mawi Wi Chi Itata Centre Children's Legacy Fund Scholarship is awarded to an Indigenous student each year at a different high school in Winnipeg pursuing post-secondary education. This student shares the values and beliefs held by Dr. Alex Wilson.

**Dr. C.T. Ethans Memorial Scholarship** - established in memory of a former Gordon Bell student. It is awarded to a graduate who demonstrated academic excellence, has been involved in their community and who is interested in pursuing a career in medicine.

**Governor General's Medal** - honours top scholastic achievement in both grades 11 and 12 and is the most prestigious award a Canadian student can receive.

**Gordon Bell Purple and Gold Award** - award was established by the Gordon Bell Scholarship Committee to recognize the graduate's contributions to the school community.

**Herb Lother Memorial Award** - awarded to a student who has shown academic growth and perseverance, participation in school and/or community activities and pursuing post secondary education.

**Indigenous Leadership Development Institute Inc. Scholarship Award**- given to an Indigenous student who displays excellent leadership and will attend a post secondary institution.

**James Duncan Memorial Music Award** - awarded to a student involved extensively in the music program.

**John M. Vail Scholarship** - awarded to a student with outstanding academic achievement, who excels in math and science, emphasizing physics and is pursuing studies in the Faculty of Science at the University of Manitoba.

**Judith Dueck New Canadian Award** - created in honour of a former Gordon Bell teacher librarian. This award is presented to a new Canadian who has demonstrated determination, who has the ability to achieve personal goals and who will attend a post secondary institution.

**Judy Stewart Sutherland Scholarship** - presented to a student with outstanding academic achievement, who has a minimum average of 80% on the best grade twelve courses, active in sports and pursuing engineering or science at the University of Manitoba.

**Leadership in Social Justice Achievement Scholarships** - award to students who are actively involved within the school community or the broader community.

**Lions Club of Winnipeg Scholarship** - presented to a students who has overcome language barriers and who is pursuing post-secondary education.

**Macdonald/Cageorge Citizenship Award** - presented to a student who has a good academic standing, with a focus on being involved in the community and who participates in extra-curricular activities.

**Pattison Outdoor Advertising Awards** -this award was established in 2012, as a way to honour exceptional students from Gordon Bell High School.

**Peaceful Village Awards** - presented to graduating students who attended Peaceful Village during their years at Gordon Bell High School.

**Peter Pura Memorial Award** - awarded to a graduating Gordon Bell student intending to study Math, Computer Science, or another area of Science, who demonstrates determination, dedication and hard work.

**Schulich Leader Scholarships** is a Canadian undergraduate award program that provides scholarships for students who demonstrate excellence in academics, leadership, charisma, and creativity, and are enrolled in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) areas of study. It is one of the most prestigious scholarships in Canada.

**Souchay Gossen Foundation Scholarship** - awarded to a student who demonstrates commitment to education, is involved in the school and / or community and who is planning to attend a post-secondary institution in the future.

**Souchay Gossen Welcome Hand Scholarship** - awarded to a student who is not born in Canada, demonstrates dedication to education, is engaged in the community outside of school and who plans to attend a post-secondary institution in the future.

**The Kwan Family Merit Scholarships** - Established in 2022 in honour of their parents, Man Tin and Shou King, and named for the Kwan children, Jean, Tom, Susan, Judy, Wendy and Archie who attended and graduated from Gordon Bell from 1971-1986. This award is presented to 2 well-deserving graduates who have experienced hardships in their lives, but in spite of this, were still able to excel academically. The students have an average of 80% or higher and will be pursuing post-secondary studies.

**Victor P. Thiessen Memorial Award** - awarded to a deserving graduating student who has exhibited significant personal and academic improvement over the course of senior high and whose persistence and determination has allowed them to graduate.

**Western Communities Foundation Inspirational Award** - presented to a graduating student who displays outstanding community and school spirit and has overcome hardships and adversity.

**Winnipeg School Board Book Awards** - awarded by the Winnipeg School Division to honour academic integrity.

**Winnipeg School Board Post Secondary Scholarship** - awarded to a student who has achieved a high academic standing and is pursuing post secondary education.

**Winnipeg Teachers' Association (WTA) High School Scholarship** - presented to a student for outstanding citizenship and who will pursue post-secondary education.

**Young United Church Bursaries**- acknowledges achievements, perseverance and character of a Main Campus and Senior Off-Campus graduate.

Thank you to all our generous donors. Your support is truly appreciated!

#### Welcome

Processional - Austin Fourre and GB Drummers

O Canada - Gordon Bell's VOX

Land Recognition Statement - Vinh Huynh & Janice Millar

Principal's Remarks - Vinh Huynh

Greetings from the Winnipeg School Division Board of Trustees -Rebecca Chambers

#### Presentation of Awards, Scholarships and Bursaries

GOVERNOR GENERAL'S MEDALVinh Huy	/nh
GORDON BELL PURPLE AND GOLD AWARDJoanne Sabou	ırin
WINNIPEG SCHOOL BOARD POST SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIPShelley Warken	tin
WINNIPEG SCHOOL BOARD BOOK AWARDS Shelley Warkent	tin
CHOWN CENTENNIAL ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPRebecca Chambe	ers
THE KWAN FAMILY MERIT SCHOLARSHIPSSusan Kwan & Wendy Y	′im
INDIGENOUS LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE INC. SCHOLARSHIPAmber Summ	ner
WESTERN COMMUNITIES FOUNDATION INSPIRATIONAL AWARDLindsay Sanders	son
DR. ALEX WILSON SCHOLARSHIP Tammy Christens	sen
DHUQ'MAR AWARDSGlenn Morison and Alexandra Mer	rrill
JUDITH DUECK NEW CANADIAN AWARDJudith Due	eck
LEADERSHIP IN SOCIAL JUSTICE ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIPSCheryl Ev	оy
CHAMPION IRONWORKS SCHOLARSHIPS Michael Kirkness, Cheryl Ev	ѹ
CAPTAIN BARRY LEIPSIC AWARDSPeter & Richard Leip	sic
WINNIPEG TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPMelanie McGi	illis
JOHN M. VAIL SCHOLARSHIPRabindra Samar	00
PETER PURA MEMORIAL AWARDCathy McElhoes & Mary-Ann Fa	ast

#### Fly Away Home - Pink Zebra

Gordon Bell Senior Choir accompanied by Kimberly Lapatha

ANDRE DOUMBE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE AWARD	Chuks Ojidoh
LIONS CLUB OF WINNIPEG SCHOLARSHIP FUND	Aisha Maqsood
JUDY STEWART SUTHERLAND SCHOLARSHIP	Matthew Fox
JAMES DUNCAN MEMORIAL MUSIC AWARD	Kelsey Shiaro
HERB LOTHER MEMORIAL AWARD	Shane Barchuk
SOUCHAY GOSSEN FAMILY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSH	HPShane Barchuk
SOUCHAY GOSSEN WELCOME HAND SCHOLARSHIP	Cameron Brown
YOUNG UNITED CHURCH BURSARY-OFF CAMPUS	Mark Dewar
YOUNG UNITED CHURCH BURSARY-ON CAMPUS	Justin Dyck
DR. C.T. ETHANS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP	Justin Dyck
CHILD GUIDANCE CLINIC AWARD OF MERIT	Stephen Andrew
MACDONALD/CAGEORGE CITIZENSHIP AWARD	Sandra Vieira
CHILDREN OF MY HEART AWARD	Sandra Vieira
SCHULICH LEADER SCHOLARSHIP NOMINEE	Sandra Vieira
ALLAN SIMPSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP	Clare & Julie Simpson
PATTISON OUTDOOR ADVERTISING AWARDS	Kristin Inacio
VICTOR P. THIESSEN MEMORIAL AWARD	.Mark Dewar & Cheryl Evoy
DANIEL MCINTYRE COUNCILLOR'S AWARD	Mark Dewar
PEACEFUL VILLAGE AWARDS	Daniel Swaka

Valedictorian .....Salam Karim Alddin

Presentation of the Graduating Class of 2024 ...... Kristen Wynnobel

**Recessional - Beat Bliss Drummers** 

## Congratulations Class of 2024!

#### WESTLAND FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Many of our students will apply for and receive post-secondary scholarships from the Westland Foundation. Congratulations to these students and thank you to the Westland Foundation for their generous support of inner-Winnipeg youth.

## 2024 Graduates

graduates are grouped alphabetically by diploma presenter

Bradley Cubby Anderson Marnie Ashley Williams Muckle Logan Simon Flett

> Brandi Lorelle Evans Joshua Frederick Moar Selena Mousseau Zackery O'Reilly

Caitlin Bricklin Phoenix Fisher-Cook\* Callie Hill Kyla Laporte

Emily Rose Heavenly Batangan Carter Antonin Ducharme Raelene Nepinak Astra Lee Marie Perry

Hunter Charles Alexander Corson Morley Beardy Carter Cooper-Forrest Jazzlyn Sapphire Hanna Taryn May Hunter Maia-Star Johnson Tyrome Jarvis Kent Melvin Mannix Keith McKay Aden Mohamed Mutazit Noor Joshua Terrell O'Soup Lukus Powderhorn Brett Richard Tyson Sumner

Hibaaq Abdi Mumtaz Abdullahi Qasem Al Dhubhani Samer Alnjar\* Yoel Amanuel Negassie Farah Arab

Sina Asmelash Nathaniel Bird Adrian Sean Bunn Nevaeh Theresa Rose Carter Shavne Chartrand\* Yalda Ebrahimzada\* Pauleen Bianca Enriquez\* Farana Farana Audrey Friesen\* Merhawit Gebreab\* Rahiel Zemichael Ghebredingil Deana Gordon\* Demi Gordon Malachi Gray Adhanet Hagos Habtemariam\* Tuesday Harper\* Keimarie Hinkson Fardoso Ibrahim Guy Kalembwe Salam Karim\* Samariosa Keang Kumba Koroma Marco Kramar Kramar\* Bo La Cameron Lauder Shuk Kuen Li\* Saio Mansaray Simithy Mansaray\* Larry McKay Tristan McLean Vienna McManus Rawin Onak Cornelius Ozovehe Onipe Alecsandra Punzalan\* Zackary Adun Single James David Syrette Yourkabil Germay Tewelderhan Sebastian Alejandro Vallejo Vinueza Jeung Cheng Williams Yaping Yu\* luan Sebastian Zambrano Niño\*

\*indicates graduates on the honour roll with an average of 80% or higher

