

CALL FOR VALEDICTORIAN

2023 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 2023 WAEC Graduation Ceremony.

Criteria for the speech:

- You must be a February 2023 or June 2023 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 Jerome Greencorn (jgreencorn@wsd1.org) **before the end of the school day on Friday, June 2, 2023.**

Candidates must deliver their speeches to the Valedictorian Selection Committee.

Wednesday, June 7, 2023 (location to be determined).

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



WINNIPEG ADULT EDUCATION CENTRE

GRADUATION NEWSLETTER

GRADUATION 2023 CEREMONY THURSDAY, JUNE 29, 2023



Dear Graduates of 2023,

Congratulations on your accomplishment! As the Principal, I know I speak for all staff when I tell you how proud we are to be a part of your academic success.

The WAEC exists to provide adults like yourself the opportunity to achieve their Provincial Grade 12 Diploma. This diploma will allow you to access other employment opportunities and/or attend a Post-secondary institution. We invite you and your friends and family to share and celebrate with you by attending the WAEC graduation ceremony at the University of Winnipeg. It will be my honour to present you with your diploma.

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.

-Aaron Benarroch, Principal



SPRING 2023

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THIS NEWSLETTER IS AVAILABLE
ONLINE AT:
WWW.WAEC.CA

GRADUATION PHOTOS

Graduation portraits will be offered in-house on **Tuesday, May 2nd and Wednesday, May 3rd** from **9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.** A one-time fee of \$5 is payable at the time of the photo sitting. A digital copy of your portrait will be available upon request. To book your appointment, visit schoolinterviews.ca/code and enter the booking code **mm6kw** Or you can scan the QR code and follow the prompts to sign up.

WAEC subsidizes the cost. For \$5, students receive:

- 1 - 8 x10
- 1 - 5x7
- 4 wallet sized



CAP & GOWN ORDER INFORMATION



The Winnipeg Adult Education Centre will be providing a cap and gown to all grads. There is no cost and the cap and tassel are yours to keep as a souvenir. All students who attend the ceremony on June 29th, 2023 will have the option of wearing a gown. You will be fitted on site. The gown is NOT to leave the school premises. It MUST be returned after you are presented your diploma. Please refrain from smoking while wearing the gown. For more information, please contact the office at (204) 947-1674.

GRAD CEREMONY - JUNE 29, 2023

Graduation ceremonies for both semesters will be held at the:

University of Winnipeg - Duckworth Centre
400 Spence St.
Thursday, June 29, 2023

Graduates and award winners are expected to arrive by 9:00 A.M. Please report to the reception desk located on the main floor. Family and friends are welcome to attend the ceremony and the reception following the ceremony. During the ceremony there will be a designated area set aside for family or friends to take pictures. There will also be an opportunity to take pictures with the Principal after the ceremony. There will be an optional graduation ceremony rehearsal for students on June 27 at 10 A.M. at the Duckworth Centre.

The student parking lot will **not** be available on this day. Please make alternate parking arrangements.

COVID-19 protocols will be in place based upon the government health regulations at the time of the ceremony.

LIST OF FEBRUARY AND JUNE GRADS

An updated list of 2023 graduates for February and June will be posted in the Library. Please check the list to see if your Student # appears on it. If not, please see John Howden or Ricki Cochrane (Counsellors) at Main Campus.



GRAD DIPLOMA AND TRANSCRIPT PICK-UP

If you graduated in February, you can pick up your graduating transcripts in the Guidance Office (Main Campus). Your diploma will be available during the graduation ceremony.

For graduates who do not plan on attending the ceremony, diplomas will be available for pick up at the main office of the Main Campus (after June 29, 2023).

EMAIL CORRESPONDENCE

All information will be sent through email. Make sure you check your junk mail folder. Please ensure that you have given your email address to the Guidance Clerk. All current students also have a Winnipeg School Division student email account (username@live.wsd1.org). If you need help with your WSD email, please visit the library. Forward your email address to the Guidance Clerk.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

| Date | Time | Event | Where or Who |
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| Tuesday, May 2 and Wednesday, May 3, 2023 | 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. | Graduation Photos | Room 104, Main Campus |
| Friday, June 2, 2023 | DEADLINE | Submit your name for valedictorian speech (instructions will be sent) | Email Jerome, Main Campus jgreencorn@wsd1.org |
| Wednesday, June 7, 2023 | 2:00 P.M. | Valedictorian speeches presented to the Selection Committee | To be determined |
| Friday, June 16, 2023 | Preferred deadline See office if after the 16th | Deadline to apply to graduate | Please see a Guidance Counsellor, Main Campus |
| Tuesday, June 27, 2023 | 10:00 A.M. | Rehearsal for graduation ceremony (not mandatory for students) | University of Winnipeg - Duckworth Centre |
| Thursday, June 29, 2023 | 10:00 A.M. | Graduation Ceremony | University of Winnipeg - Duckworth Centre |
| July & August, 2023 | Please visit our website for summer office hours. | Diploma pick-up for those that did not attend grad ceremony. | Main Office, Main Campus |