

# St. Joseph's Catholic High School Graduation and Post-Secondary Planner



*This booklet contains important information to help you plan for after High School. Please read it carefully and share it with your parents. Your guidance counsellor will support you in this process, however it is your responsibility to **research your options** and **ask questions**.*

## Graduation Ceremonies – Important Dates and Details

<b>When:</b>	Tentatively Thursday June 27 <sup>th</sup> , 2024
<b>Where:</b>	St. Mary's Catholic Church 65 Amelia Street, Barrie, ON L4M 1M7
<b>Time:</b>	4pm
<b>Cost:</b>	\$30
<b>Rehearsal:</b>	TBA – 1 <sup>st</sup> week of June 2024

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### Please Note:

1. It is critical that you regularly check the Grade 12 Guidance Google Classroom for information and updates.
2. Students will be asked to complete a graduation form in early April with their gown length and proposed post-secondary plan.
3. Graduation Gowns and caps will be distributed with tickets (2 per family) one week prior to Graduation.
4. Graduation Photos will be taken from **January 11-17<sup>th</sup>, 2024**. Students will sign up **online** for sitting times. All students receive a composite with their diploma.

## Ontario Admission Requirements and Pathways

	Website	Requirements
<b>University</b>  <b>Deadline to Apply: Jan15/24</b> Approx. <b>\$156 for 3 choices</b> , Approx. \$50 for each additional choice. (updated on website as of Sept 2023) *fees may change	<a href="http://www.ouac.on.ca">www.ouac.on.ca</a> <a href="https://www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca/">https://www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca/</a> pre-requisites and entrance averages are found in e-info for every program in Ontario	<b>6 U/M courses including English ENG4U</b> and an OSSD (Ontario Secondary School Diploma). <b>Specific programs may have additional requirements.</b>
<b>College</b>  <b>Deadline to Apply: Feb 1/24</b> \$110 for 5 choices	<a href="http://www.ontariocolleges.ca">www.ontariocolleges.ca</a> or <a href="http://www.ocas.on.ca">www.ocas.on.ca</a> pre-requisites and entrance averages are found when you select the “website” and “program requirements”	All programs require an OSSD (Ontario Secondary School Diploma) Most programs require ENG4C plus pre-requisites. No more than 3 choices at the same College.
<b>Workplace</b>	Start full time work	Develop a resume Look at the following resources: Xello <a href="http://www.indeed.ca">www.indeed.ca</a> <a href="http://www.workingincanada.gc.ca">www.workingincanada.gc.ca</a>
<b>Apprenticeship</b>	<a href="http://www.oyap.com">www.oyap.com</a> The Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program	Please see your Cooperative Education teacher to discuss. Mr. Prentice/Mr. Tynes
<b>Out of Province or US Schools</b>	<a href="http://www.collegeboard.com">www.collegeboard.com</a> (SAT) Individual School websites	Schools have their own deadlines, requirements and fees. It is the student’s responsibility to research online the application requirements and contact the school directly if you have any questions.  <b>Please do not list guidance/teachers on this application without speaking to them first.</b>

## Financing Your Education - Costs

	<b>Tuition</b>	<b>Books and Supplies</b>	<b>Residence (Accommodation and Meal Plan)</b>	<b>Total Costs – if you choose to live away from home</b>
<b>University</b>	\$7500-\$18,000 Please ensure you look at each University and program so you are aware of costs	\$800-\$2000	\$11,000-\$17,000 (Varies based on room size; single/double and the university you choose)	\$20,000 -\$35,000 (depends on the program and residence you choose)
<b>College</b>	\$5000- \$7000 (Coop programs often go up to \$9000)	\$800-\$2000	\$11,000-\$17,000	\$16,800 – \$26,000
<b>OYAP</b>	FREE	\$800-\$1000	6-8week study period, varies based on type of accommodation you choose	\$1000-\$3000 Subsidized by the Government of Ontario/Canada

Financing: OUAC – Costs and Scholarships

<https://www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca/scholarships>

Financing: OCAS – Costs

<https://www.ontariocolleges.ca/en/faq/tuition-and-financial-aid>

## **Finances – Definitions/Information:**

<b>Type of Financial Support</b>	<b>Program Details</b>
<b>Loans from a Bank</b>	Students can apply for student loans through their bank with parents co-signing.
<b>OSAP- linked directly to applications now <a href="http://www.osap.on.ca">www.osap.on.ca</a></b>	OSAP applications can be completed at any time and are independent of the school as there is confidential information required.  OSAP grants/loans are established once a student has a firm acceptance to a College or University.
<b>Bursaries</b>	Monetary awards based upon academic record and/or financial need
<b>Scholarships including Admission Scholarships</b>	Awards are based on many different/combinations of factors (academic, financial, community involvement, leadership)

**\*Bulletin Board regularly updated in Guidance with local scholarship information**

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## **Websites for Information on Financing Post-Secondary Education:**

Students are encouraged to use the websites listed below to research Scholarships and Bursaries:

<https://www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca/> – select “Fees and Finances”

[www.scholarshipscanada.com](http://www.scholarshipscanada.com) - a searchable database of Canadian scholarships

[www.scholarartree.ca](http://www.scholarartree.ca) – a searchable database of Canadian scholarships

<https://indspire.ca/programs/students/bursaries-scholarships/> - indigenous scholarships

[www.osap.on.ca](http://www.osap.on.ca) – Ontario Student Assistance Program

We also suggest that students explore opportunities through parents/guardians’ employers, insurers and banks for scholarships.

## Student Responsibilities:

1. Research using tools provided [www.ouac.on.ca](http://www.ouac.on.ca) or [www.ontariocolleges.ca](http://www.ontariocolleges.ca) and <https://oyap.com/>
2. Decide which program(s) (and colleges/universities) you wish to apply for.  
Visiting (virtually or in person) each College/University you are interested in can help you make a more informed decision
3. See the attached calendar for some university/college visits offered at St. Joseph's CHS. A number of schools are opting for virtual tours only, these can be accessed through the College or University's direct website.
4. **Application workshops for College and University will be held from December 4-8<sup>th</sup> during class time.** Students can start their application with us and complete at home and pay the application fee before the deadline. (either January 15<sup>th</sup> or February 1<sup>st</sup>)
5. If you are taking any course outside the school including; Night School, Virtual High School, Private or another board's course such as a completed summer school credit you **MUST** inform Guidance and bring a copy of your midterm and final grade to Ms. Prentice in the Guidance Office so that it will be recorded in your application.  
\*In addition if you are taking a private school course it must be completed and reported to us no later than June 15<sup>th</sup> (this means you have written your final exam and the school has issued you a report card).
6. The application for University programs opened at the end of September 2023 however, we recommend you spend time reviewing and researching programs before you begin your application.

## Student Services Responsibilities:

1. Guidance will process your academic records (including transcript info) and will submit them to the college/university processing centers.
2. Update Guidance Google Classroom with updates and information for both post-secondary opportunities and graduation.
3. University bound students can obtain their **OEN number** and tips on how to apply from the Guidance Office late in November. It is also located on their report cards.
4. College bound students can obtain their **OEN number** and tips on how to apply from the Guidance Office late in November. It is also located on their report cards
5. Provide application workshops from December 4-8<sup>th</sup>, 2023

**TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR YOUR FUTURE.  
DO YOUR RESEARCH**