

BHS Grad 2025 Frequently Asked Questions

When is Grad?

Thursday May 29, 2025. The Ceremony and the Banquet are the same day.

Where is Grad?

The **Graduation Ceremony** will be held 9:30 am at The Southern Alberta Jubilee Auditorium. 1415 — 14th Avenue NW. Parking is \$8.00.

The **Grad Banquet** will be held at The Grey Eagle Resort & Casino, 3777 Grey Eagle Drive, SW. Parking is free. Doors open at 6pm. Program 6:30pm. Dinner 7pm

What time is the Ceremony?

The Ceremony starts at 9:30 am sharp. You need to be there and in the line-up by 9:00 am. The lobby doors open at 8:00 am and the theatre doors open at 9:00 am for seating. The ceremony will end at approximately noon.

What is the theme for Grad 2025?

Pride and Excellence

What does my \$65 Grad fee cover?

Jubilee (venue/technicians/ 4 guest tickets)	\$24.00
Grad Gown (includes souvenir hat and tassel)	\$20.00
Certificate/ Lifetouch photo	\$15.00
Decorations/Programs	\$3.00
GST	\$3.00

Do I have to pay for parking at the Jubilee?

Yes. Event parking is \$8.00 and the lots are clearly marked. The C-Train also makes a stop at the Jubilee, providing an alternative mode of transportation.

What do I wear to the Ceremony?

The Grad Ceremony is a formal event. Guests and Grads should be dressed appropriately. Grads, remember that you will be wearing a Grad gown and cap over your clothes. You may want to rethink jackets and sweaters if the weather is warm. Don't forget your toonie for Friar Tuck.

Who or What is Friar Tuck?

Each year, Bowness High School grads drop a toonie into the "Friar Tuck cookie jar" as they cross the stage, continuing a tradition of generosity to support a charitable cause. Grad 2025 marks the 32nd anniversary of the tradition.

How many Ceremony tickets am I allowed for guests?

Each Grad will be given access to 4 tickets for guests for the ceremony. Once all Grads have selected their seats and tickets through Ticketmaster, the remaining tickets will become available.

- **Round 1 Tuesday April 1 at 10:30 am – Limit 4 tickets**
- **Round 2 Wednesday April 16 at 10:30 am – Limit 4 tickets**
- **Round 3 Thursday May 15 at 10:30 am – unlimited**

Each extra ticket beyond the initial 4 released on Apr. 1 will cost \$3.50/each to cover facility and service fees.

Do I have to pay for tickets for the Ceremony?

The cost of the 4 ceremony tickets for guests is included in your \$65 Grad Fee. Fees must be paid before grad gowns can be distributed. If you have not paid your Grad Fees, please do so online at MyCBE. <https://sis.cbe.ab.ca/public/home.html>

When can I select my ceremony tickets?

Tickets will become available Apr.1 at 10:30am.

You will find the tickets by clicking the link searching for "Bowness High School Graduation 2025" on ticketmaster.ca or by clicking the link below.

<https://www.ticketmaster.ca/event/110062557EBA1CB3>

Your CBE ID number is the passcode for tickets.

When will the extra ceremony tickets be available for purchase?

Ceremony tickets are free, but if you want more than the initial 4 tickets included in your fees, you'll need to pay a processing fee of \$3.50 per ticket when selecting your tickets online through Ticketmaster.

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What do we do if we do not want all 4 of our guests to sit in the same section other?

The ability to select tickets and seats is entirely on the customer so tickets can be in separate locations (e.g. 2 on main floor and 2 in first balcony).

I would like to invite 6 guests to the ceremony. Can they all sit together?

To accommodate all requests, tickets will be released in groups of 4. Your party will need to sit in the assigned seats, which may not be together as a group of 6, but rather split into groups of 4 and 2.

Is the Jubilee Auditorium wheelchair accessible?

Yes. The ushers will be able to direct you to the wheelchair accessible seating upon arrival at the theatre. If you require wheelchair seats, please indicate that with your initial ticket request.

Do all guests need tickets to get into the Ceremony?

Yes. The ushers at the Jubilee will be scanning tickets as you enter the Theatre. You must have a printed OR digital copy of your tickets from Ticketmaster

Can I sit anywhere?

No. You must sit in your assigned seats that you selected from Ticketmaster.

Do Grads need tickets to get into the Ceremony?

No. We have seats reserved for the Grad class.

Can I take photos during the Ceremony?

Yes, but you need to stay in your seats. Lifetouch studios will be providing each Grad a complimentary photo of them crossing the stage.

What if I forget my cap and gown for the ceremony?

Don't. You cannot cross the stage without a cap and gown. We don't have extras.

What if I forget to bring my printed tickets or can't access my digital Ceremony tickets on the day of Grad?

Check in at the Box Office at the Jubilee. A representative will be there to help you.

Can I bring food and drink into the theatre?

No. Only water is allowed.

What about my tassel?

Tassels should start on the left before you cross the stage and will be switched over to the right after the ceremony.

How much are Banquet tickets?

Tickets will be \$120 each.

When will Banquet tickets become available?

The tickets go on sale on Monday April 14th. Sales end Thursday May 15th.

Do Grad's need a Banquet ticket?

Yes. All Grads and guests need a ticket to the banquet if they are planning on attending.

Please bring proof of purchase as a paper copy or electronic copy of your receipt.

How do I purchase Banquet tickets?

The tickets are purchased through the on-line ticketing program through CBE Powerschool

<https://sis.cbe.ab.ca/public/home.html> Tickets will not be live until Mon. Apr. 14

Will there be food at the Banquet?

Yes. A buffet dinner will be offered. Menu will be shared before tickets are available for purchase.

Myself and/or my guests will not be consuming food or beverages, is it possible to attend the Banquet without a ticket?

No. All attendees must bring a paper copy or electronic copy of your receipt.

Are there assigned seats at the Banquet?

Yes. When you purchase a Banquet ticket, you will choose your seat. There are round tables of 10.

Can I leave and come back to the Banquet and the dance?

No, there will be no "In & out" privileges.

What do I wear to the Banquet?

It is formal attire.

I still have questions about the Ceremony. Who should I contact?

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GRAD WEEK

Tuesday May 27 Grad Rehearsal 2:15pm – 3:30pm

- All Grads attend
- Caps and gowns will be distributed

Wednesday May 28 Grad Breakfast

- 8:00am – 8:45am in the BHS cafeteria
- This is a Grade 12 only event. All Grads are encouraged to attend
- There is no cost for Grads

Thursday May 29 Graduation Closing Ceremony

- Arrive at the Jubilee auditorium by 9:00 am to get into lineups for the processional at 9:30
- Ticket cost for this event is included in Grad fees
- All Grads are expected to attend

Graduation Banquet 6:00pm – 10:00pm

- The Grey Eagle Resort & Casino, 3777 Grey Eagle Drive, SW.
- Parking is free.
- Tickets must be purchased for this event
- Attendance is optional

Congrats
CLASS OF 2025