### CHS Graduation 2022- Communique #1 October 6th, 2021

Community ~ Character ~ Commitment
Graduation Date: TBD

Dear Grade 12 Students and Parents,

Welcome back to your final year at Cochrane High School!

Usually, communication would have already happened and we would have come together for our annual fall 'Mandatory Grad Evening' where all Grad information would have been shared. Representatives from LifeTouch and Jostens would have been here to answer questions regarding Grad rings and pictures. Guidance/Career would have been available for other questions. This in person gathering was cancelled but the October 7th date is still set! Good thing for technology and Zoom <a href="https://rockyview.zoom.us/j/94712254328">https://rockyview.zoom.us/j/94712254328</a>. See you all at 6:30pm on Thursday! Rest assured - Grad will happen! We just are not exactly sure what that will look like.

In addition to the Cochrane High Grad Handbook for 2022 (coming soon), I will be sending out regular updates regarding *all things Grad* through *Communiqué(s)*. This document will be mass emailed to all G12 students and parents, as well as being posted on our Cochrane High website for future reference. Once available, I ask that parents and students take the time to read through the Grad Handbook as everything you will want answers for will be highlighted in this document.

The staff of Cochrane High will be working together to help our G12 students have a memorable experience culminating with their High School Graduation 2022! We are excited for each of you.

## ~ Baby Pictures ~

No matter what Grad looks like this year, we still need you to send in your baby picture! Please send jpegs (or scanned photos) to the following: <a href="mailto:chsgrad@rvschools.ab.ca">chsgrad@rvschools.ab.ca</a> We ask that the Subject Bar is labelled as follows: <a href="mailto:LAST Name">LAST Name</a>, <a href="mailto:FIRST Name">FIRST Name</a>. Please submit one photo by November 15th, 2021.

#### ~ LifeTouch Grad Pictures ~

This year, LifeTouch will set up shop at the school in our Learning Commons (library). Safety precautions will be in effect and follow AHS and RVS protocol. An online link will be sent out to all G12 parents/students in order to book your appointment. Watch for this link coming soon! Photos will be scheduled from December 6 - 10 (5 days) through to December 13 - 15 (3 days).

**Note:** If for some reason, you cannot make it during these days, please contact LifeTouch directly to schedule a sitting at their studio. *LifeTouch 3628 Burnsland Rd SE Calgary (403) 255-5440. It is important that every Grad has his/her photo taken for the composite picture & yearbook.* There is no obligation to purchase and *there is no sitting fee if the picture is only for the yearbook and composite.* 

#### ~ Josten's Rings ~

A representative for Josten's Ring will be available to all G12 students interested in a graduation ring (or other items). They will be in the Snake Pit on Thursday, October 14th (and possibly the 18th) from 11:30 - 12:20pm.

So...what can you do now (while waiting patiently)?

G12 students & parents are invited to review Diploma requirements and/or Certificate requirements to ensure eligibility for graduation. The checklist is available through a number of avenues including the following:

MyPass Account - Alberta Education. Make sure you have created your account. Remember to use

# Alberta Education High School Diploma Requirements

The requirements indicated in this chart are the <a href="minimum">minimum</a> requirements for a student to attain a <a href="Alberta High School Diploma">Alberta High School Diploma</a>. The requirements for entry into post-secondary institutions and workplaces may require additional and/or specific courses.

## 100 CREDITS including the following:

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS – 30 LEVEL (English Language Arts 30-1 or 30-2)

SOCIAL STUDIES – 30 LEVEL (Social Studies 30-1 or 30-2)

MATHEMATICS – 20 LEVEL (Mathematics 20-1, Mathematics 20-2 or Mathematics 20-3)

SCIENCE – 20 LEVEL (Science 20, Science 24, Biology 20, Chemistry 20 or Physics 20)

PHYSICAL EDUCATION 10 (3 CREDITS)

## CAREER AND LIFE MANAGEMENT (3 CREDITS)

#### 10 CREDITS IN ANY COMBINATION FROM:

- Career and Technology Studies (CTS) courses
- Fine Arts courses
- Second Languages courses
- Physical Education 20 and/or 30
- Knowledge and Employability courses
- Registered Apprenticeship Program courses
- Locally developed/acquired and authorized courses in CTS, fine arts, second languages or Knowledge and Employability occupational courses

#### 10 CREDITS IN ANY 30-LEVEL COURSE

(<u>IN ADDITION TO</u> a 30-LEVEL ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS and a 30-LEVEL SOCIAL STUDIES COURSE AS SPECIFIED ABOVE)

These courses may include:

- 30-level locally developed/acquired and authorized courses
- Advanced level (3000 series) in Career and Technology Studies courses
- 30-level Work Experience courses
- 30-level Knowledge and Employability courses
- 30-level Registered Apprenticeship Program courses
- 30-level Green Certificate

# **Alberta Education Certificate of High School Achievement Requirements**

Students who are enrolled in Knowledge and Employability courses and who satisfy the requirements, as outlined in the chart below, are awarded a *Certificate of High School Achievement*.

The requirements indicated in this chart are the minimum requirements for a student to attain a Certificate of High School Achievement. The requirements for entry into post-secondary institutions and workplaces may require additional and/or specific courses. 80 CREDITS including the following: ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS 20-2 OR 30-4 MATHEMATICS 10-3 OR 20-4 **SCIENCE 14 OR 20-4** SOCIAL STUDIES 10-2 OR 20-4 PHYSICAL EDUCATION 10 (3 CREDITS) CAREER AND LIFE MANAGEMENT (3 CREDITS) 5 CREDITS IN • 30-level Knowledge and Employability occupational course, or • 30-level Career and Technology Studies (CTS) course, or • 30-level locally developed/acquired and authorized course with an occupational focus AND 5 CREDITS IN • 30-level Knowledge and Employability Workplace Practicum course, or • 30-level Work Experience course, or • 30-level Green Certificate course, or • Special Projects 30 OR **5 CREDITS IN** 30-level Registered Apprenticeship Program (RAP) course

### **2022 Grad Committee Application - Google Form** (Click on Link)

☐ Interested Graduates are invited to put their name forward for the Grad Committee. If shortlisted, there will be a second part to this process: Interviews. **Deadline** for applications: Friday, October 15th 2021.

Graduation is fast approaching and we are here to help you celebrate this milestone!

Ms. Lyons & the Grad Committee Team (also TBD):)