



Next Step Graduation 2024

Parent and Student Meeting
November 22, 2023

2023





Graduation Requirements

High School Diploma

100 Credits
30-level English
30-level Social
20-level Math
2 Science courses
Additional credit requirements

Certificate of High School Achievement

80 Credits
30-level English
20-level Social
2 Math courses
2 Science courses
Additional credit requirements





Next Step Graduation Ceremonies

Who: Graduating Class of 2024
When: 2:30 p.m. Thursday June 6, 2024
Where: Shell Theatre, Fort Saskatchewan

Arrival: Doors will open at 1:45 p.m.

Photos: Photo opportunities will be available before and after the ceremony





Tickets

- Tickets will be available at no cost to families
- Each graduate will be able to receive up to 8 tickets (not including graduate)
- Extra tickets may be available upon request





Graduation Gowns

- Students will receive their graduation gown, cap, tassel and stole one week prior to the graduation ceremonies.
- Graduation gowns are to be returned after the ceremony or the following Monday at the school.
- Students keep their cap, tassel and stole.
- Graduates can wear an outfit of their choice under their graduation gown. Some choose to wear a suit or fancy dress; others choose more casual clothing.





Grad Formal Wear

- Students requiring support in acquiring graduation formal wear are encouraged to speak with school administrators, counsellor or success coaches.
- Students looking for a dress will be supported in doing so.
- Students looking for a suit will be referred to Gregor's Grad.



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Grad Wear

- Grad wear 2024 is available on the Next Step Website.
 - www.eipsnextstep.ca/spirit-wear
- Hoodie (\$52) and Sweatpants (\$42) are available.
- Log into your PowerSchool Parent Portal to purchase.
- Orders will be open until Friday December 1, 2023.
- Additional items or late orders can be completed through Entripy Shops, however shipping fees will apply.





Grad Photos

- Graduation photos will be taken at each school in March.
- Success coaches will work with students to book appointments to have their grad photo taken. The sitting fee will be covered by the school.
- Students wear a collared shirt and tie that sticks up out of the graduation gown OR a wide necked top that will not show at all.
- Photos can be ordered from the photographer for an additional cost.



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Grad Week Activities

- Watch for fun Grad Activities to participate in the week of June 3-6.
- Gown Pick Up will occur May 31 through June 5
- Grad Lunch





Grad Form

In May, Graduates will be asked to complete an electronic form requiring the following information:

- The number of guest tickets requested.
- Uploading 1 baby photo and 2 childhood photos
- Writing a message of thanks to people who helped you achieve your goal!

Your assistance in ensuring this is completed is greatly appreciated!



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After Graduation

- Next Step would like to support our Graduates in their pursuits beyond high school.
- Please book an appointment with the school counsellor or administrator to discuss post high school opportunities at post secondary institutions or for entering the world of work.
- EIPS has opportunities for students who are 19 or younger on September 1 of the following year including:
 - Academic Upgrading
 - Dual Credit Courses
 - RAP





Questions?

- Please use the chat to ask any questions you may have, and we will answer them here. If you have questions you would like to address privately, please contact your Next Step Campus.
- Contacts:
 - Sherwood Park – Aley Kulbaba, Success Coach
 - Sherwood Park – Elli Hanson, Counsellor
 - Fort Saskatchewan – Janet Clarkson, Success Coach
 - Fort Saskatchewan & Vegreville – Krista Porter, Assistant Principal