

Grad Assembly September 2017

Grads of 2018

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Career Preparation



SEMESTER 1

Research & Preparation

- ***University & College Fair*** on **October 17th 6-8pm** (parents and students) and **October 18th** (students in school) at the **Coliseum**. **Have a PLAN – what do you want to know?**
 - Program Info?
 - Admissions requirements?
 - When to apply?
- **Independent visits** at school, **AOS - Admissions On the Spot** ... See sign up sheet outside Mrs. Smith's office
- Attend **open houses & student for a day** programs
- Career Cruising: Up to date Matchmaker Survey
- Important: ***Pathways for College and University & Grad Info Guide (download online)***

Post Secondary Visits

*If you use Facebook, join: "MHS Grads of 2018" or check
The MHS Website: www.monctonhigh.ca*

- Acadia: Tuesday, September 26th
- St. Thomas: Friday, September 29th
- Western: Wednesday, October 3rd (SIGN UP)
- NBCC: Thursday, October 5th (SIGN UP - ADMISSIONS ON THE SPOT)
- U of Alberta: Thursday, October 12th (SIGN UP)
- UNB: TBA (ADMISSIONS ON THE SPOT) - Student/Parent Night: November 2nd @ 7pm (Crowne Plaza)
- Dalhousie: Wednesday, November 22nd (SIGN UP)

To Be Continued....

The SCHULICH Scholarship

Are you going to university to study Science, Technology, Engineering or Math?

To Qualify:

- Graduating Canadian citizen/permanent resident
- Studying at a SHULICH partner university (website)
- Demonstrate academic excellence, e.g. average over 90%

To Apply:

- High school scholarships committee selects 1 student to be their Schulich Leader Nominee (speak to your previous math/science teachers for recommendation – we have a committee)

- Nominee completes a separate Schulich Leader application
- Universities review applications and select their scholarship recipients
- Visit the website <http://www.schulichleaders.com/> for

Application Details:

Please pass in the following to Mrs. Smith by Monday, November 20th:

- Universities and the desired programs where you plan to apply / attend (remember to ensure they are Schulich partner universities). Write a sentence or two for each of your desired universities and programs, e.g. why do they interest you?

- List and describe (2-3 sentences) your top three achievements (academic or other).
- Write a 250 word essay demonstrating why you would make a great Schulich Leader (if you are selected, a 600 word essay is required by the Schulich Foundation).
- Write a 250 word essay to outline any extenuating circumstances the scholarship committee should be aware of, e.g. financial, personal, academic, etc.
- Provide two letters of reference (at least one from a school staff member)

The LORAN Scholarship

Are you dedicated to serving others, show promise of leadership and have integrity, courage, compassion, grit and a high level of personal autonomy?

Application Details:

- Grade 12 students may now apply at:
apply.loranscholar.ca
- Submit a transcript, request a reference from a teacher or community member and have your school sponsorship confirmed before the deadline.
- To Receive Sponsorship: Pick up in house sponsorship form from Mrs. Smith or go online.

Deadline: October 18th at 8:00pm (Eastern Time). Each high school may sponsor up to 3 students.

SEMESTER 2

Action & Decisions

- Applying to PSE:
 1. Application form
 2. Fee (\$50 – 75)
 3. Transcript – fill out form at office
- College – rolling admissions means you can apply anytime (sooner is better than later!)
- University apply by end of February in order to be considered for admissions awards – some schools have a separate application for entrance scholarships
 - 80% - \$500+
 - 85+% - \$1000+
 - 90+% - \$1500+
- Universities will contact you with admission decision and bursary offer **by the end of March**

Have you and your parents discussed organizing your finances for PSE?

○ Examples of annual costs:

- College private tuition \$10,000+ (Outlon, Eastern College)
- College public tuition \$3500 (NBCC, NSCC, Holland College)
- University \$16,000+ (tuition & residence)

○ Sources of money:

- what you have saved
- parents pay for you
- money from scholarship & bursaries
- student loans (government)
- student line of credit (banks)

When to apply for scholarships?

- Getting ready to apply for scholarships, have you ...
- Requested **Reference letters?** Give writers one week ... do not wait until the last minute
- Updated your **resume?**
- Is my email address “appropriate”?
luckygirl@gmail.com
syndneycrosbyrules@hotmail.com
- Most scholarships awarded at graduation are **due in March, April and May**
- **Local Scholarships** - MHS website (1 time application)
- **Community Scholarships** - (will be updated later)
aesdscholarships.wordpress.com

Student Loans

- Apply in May 2018 when applications “open” for the Fall (September 2018)
- Required: your parents’ 2017 income tax assessment
- If you wait until July or August to apply, you may not receive your funding until **AFER** university/college starts in September
- There will be a parent session in the evening second semester

Before graduating ...

- What courses should I have on my transcript?
(see document overview for suggested courses)
- Marks – retake courses second semester?
- Should I keep notes from high school courses for future reference?
- Do not assume that you can return to this or another local high school to upgrade/retake courses you may need for PSE programs.

Planning to take a break between high school and post- secondary education?

- What are **my goals** between high school graduation and college/university?
 - take break from routine of school
 - gain work experience
 - save money
 - travel
 - volunteer
 - do more research on career / post-secondary education opportunities

What's next?

- How to make appointment to see Mrs. Smith?

Fill out a green form and we can discuss ...

- admission requirements
- programs, university v. college
- financing university/college, scholarships, etc.
- Listen to morning announcements
- Continue to check online (Facebook and website)
- Attend **Open House** events at universities and colleges in the fall and **Student for a Day** throughout the year – see individual websites.
- Powerpoint available as a PDF:
www.monctonhigh.ca
- MHS Parent Night Oct. 11th 6:30-8pm @ MHS