

# **Annual Grad Breakfast**

# **Bell HS**

*Welcome and Congratulations!*

# General Information



- ❑ If you are looking to return in September, please see your counsellor ASAP
- ❑ Semester 2 midterm grades will be uploaded to OCAS and OUAC April 25th
  - ❑ Remember, once you accept a program online you automatically decline the other offers you received
  - ❑ Pay attention to the dates for deposits and if you are looking at residence, typically the earlier you apply the better

# General Information



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- ❑ Summer School registration is now open ... see BHS website homepage for the link to request
- ❑ If your final graduating credit will be completed at Summer School, you will need to let the University/College know this ... see your counsellor for more information

# General Information



## Caps & Gowns and Payment

- Sign up through the link provided
- Make your payment (Cash ONLINE (via Bell HS website), \$30 cash, or cheque payable to Bell High School)
- The student will receive a sized and pressed gown, a red Bell HS stole (the "scarf that drapes around your neck) and a cap with a 2018 tag and tassel
- ALL of these items are yours to keep!
- There is no option to RENT these items
- Should the \$30 be a problem, please see your counsellor ASAP
- If you have a gown already from a friend/sibling, please see Tanya in the main office
- Once this is done, you will receive your tickets to Commencement
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# Graduation Requirements



- ❑ 30 credits including 18 Compulsory and 12 Electives
- ❑ Successful completion of the OSSLT/ OLC40 course
- ❑ Minimum 40 hours of Community Involvement
  - ❑ The must be completed no later than June 1st

# Financial Aid & Student Awards

- ❑ Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP)
- ❑ Bell High School Commencement Awards
- ❑ Scholarships (Non-repayable awards recognizing academic achievement)
  - ❑ Entrance Scholarships
  - ❑ “Prestige Scholarships
- ❑ Bursaries (Non-repayable awards for students in financial need)



# Ontario Student Assistance Program



- ❑ Designed to supplement the cost of education and living expenses
- ❑ Not a replacement for the financial resources you/your family are expected to contribute
- ❑ Funds are provided from Federal and Provincial governments
- ❑ Students must be a Canadian Citizen, Permanent Resident or Protected Person
- ❑ Students must be taking at least 60% of a full course load
- ❑ Awarded based entirely on Financial Need

# Ontario Student Assistance Program



Calculated based on

“Allowable Costs” minus “Expected Resources” = OSAP amount

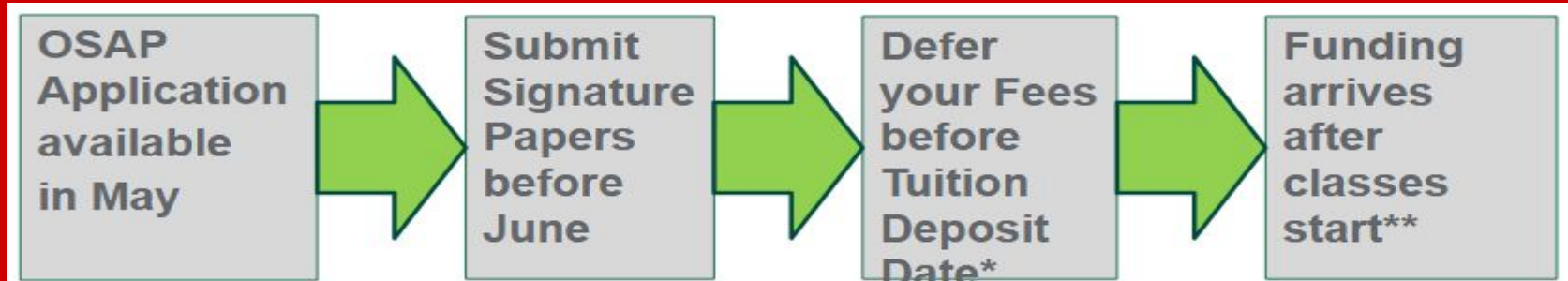
- ❑ Allowable costs include: tuition, compulsory fees, books/equipment, living costs, return travel, etc.
- ❑ Expected Resources include: student contribution (including income & savings), parental contribution



# Ontario Student Assistance Program



## OSAP Timeline



\* Tuition Deposit Date: June 15, Nov. 15 and April 1

\*\* Funding: 60% in first term, 40% in second term

# Ontario Student Assistance Program



[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eOLxe1W](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eOLxe1Whmpg)  
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# Ontario Student Assistance Program



## Final Thoughts ...

- ❑ The 2018-19 applications for full-time students is now open.
- ❑ Apply early to get an estimate of the amount of grants and loans you could receive.
- ❑ Register through OUAC or OCAS
- ❑ Check your OSAP applications status online regularly and opt-in for email notifications.

# Bell High School Commencement Awards



## Two types of awards presented at Commencement

1. Department and Subject Awards (Department selected)
2. Special Non Subject Awards
  - a. Teachers can put a students name forward for consideration
  - b. Students can advocate with their teacher (s) to have their name put forward

# Bell High School Commencement Awards



## Process for nomination

- Consider the options on the handout and which ones may apply to you
- Consider what teacher (s) might support your nomination for this
- Approach the teacher advocating for their support
- All nominations are due to the Awards/Scholarship committee by \_\_\_\_\_
- Those selected will know at the Commencement ceremony

# Scholarships



- Scholarships (Non-repayable awards recognizing academic achievement)
  - Entrance Scholarships
    - These will be automatically granted by program/institution
    - Based solely on overall average
  - “Prestige Scholarships”
    - Applications for these are throughout the fall/early winter of your graduating year
    - Most deadlines will have passed at this point of the year

# Bursaries



- Bursaries (Non-repayable awards for students in financial need)
  - Bursaries will be offered through the institution to which you will be attending
  - Please contact their Financial Aid Office for more information
- Always check with your parents place of employment for possible post-secondary Financial support

# Other ...



- Any questions that you might have please see your counsellor in Student Services and/or see Mrs. Thumm
- Please check the Bell HS Website

The screenshot shows the Bell High School website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the following links: Home, Our School, Academics, Staff, Student Services, Clubs, Athletics, School Council, Transportation, and Login. The 'Student Services' link is highlighted. Below the navigation bar, there is a sidebar menu with the following items: Aftermath of a Tragic Event, CO-OP, Enrichment Opportunities, Grade 12 Graduating Students, Learning Support Centre, Post Secondary Options, Personal Counselling, Transcript Requests, Community Involvement Opportunities, and Scholarships. A red arrow points to the 'Scholarships' link. The main content area displays the following text:

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**BELL HS / STUDENT SERVICES / GRADE 12 GRADUATING STUDENTS**

**GRADE 12 GRADUATING STUDENTS**

**Attention June Graduates!**

**BHS Graduates Information Form**

The link provided will bring you to a google form where we have asked you to complete some simple questions and submit. This information will allow your counselor the ability to communicate with you (and you with them) relative to important deadlines, information and upcoming events that will be helpful to you as the year unfolds and you approach the end of your grade 12 year. Your email address and that of your parent/ guardian will remain confidential to Student Services and will be used ONLY for this exchange of important information.

Thank you for attention to this.