

# WELCOME TO THE GRADE TWELVE INFORMATION EVENING



# **STAY INFORMED!**

**SIGN UP NOW!**

**(587) 316-7407**

**@hthgrad19**



# OTHER WAYS TO BE INFORMED

- ★ **THE GRADE 12 BULLETIN BOARD -**  
LOCATED BETWEEN THE  
PHOTOCOPY ROOM AND LIBRARY
- ★ **MONDAY MORNING**  
**ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- ★ **SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**
- ★ **WEBSITE: [hilltophigh.ca](http://hilltophigh.ca)**



**PLEASE ENSURE:**



★ YOU HAVE COMPLETED THE **FOIP** FORMS. THESE MUST BE COMPLETED IN ORDER TO ALLOW YOUR PHOTO TO BE INCLUDED IN:

- Celebratory Newspaper, Facebook or Twitter photos
- The Yearbook
- The Graduation SlideShow

**These forms were in your registration packages.**

# SIGNIFICANT DATES

- ★ GRAD COMMITTEE APPLICATION DEADLINE - **OCTOBER 5**
- ★ GRAD RINGS: **OCTOBER 16 & 17 @ NOON**  
**OCTOBER 16 - 6:00 TO 7:00 PM**
- ★ GRAD PHOTOS: **DECEMBER 3 - 6**

# GRADUATION 2019



**FRIDAY JUNE 28,  
2019**

**1:00 PM**

**AT THE ATHABASCA  
ARENA**

# 2019 Graduation Student Committee

Package in your Red Folder  
Forms Due October 5th 3:30pm to  
**MR. NORTHCOTT**



# SIGN UP @ THE END

Senior Supper Organizers

Senior Supper Food Donations

Ceremony Decorations

Winter/Spring Formal

Grad Reception?



# WHERE DO WE START ?

- **Will my child graduate?**
- **What are the requirements?**

As part of our ongoing services, we will meet with your child to review credits, as well as career and post-secondary plans.

By the end of November, your child will have had a one-on-one meeting with *Mrs. Keay* **Please sign up on the calendar.**

WHAT WILL THIS LOOK LIKE? **Check your folder.**

# Alberta High School Diploma Requirements:

**\*\*Individualized checklist in folder.**

- Minimum 100 credits
- Must include:
  - English (at the 30-level)
  - Social Studies (at the 30-level)
  - Math (at the 20-level)
  - Science (at the 20-level)
  - CALM 20
  - Phys Ed 10
  - 10 credits at the 30-level (other than English and Social)
  - 10 credits in any combination from: CTS; Phys Ed; Fine Arts; 2<sup>nd</sup> Language; RAP; Work Experience.

# STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS

- **Student Ownership of Success**
- Value of strong attendance
- PowerSchool – Parent Portal (see office staff if you need help with this)
- Assignment completion
- FLEX Block
- Preparing for Diplomas
- Communication between parent, student and teachers
- Parent/teacher interviews

# WHAT IF I NEED MY TIMETABLE MODIFIED?


- Speak with Mr. Northcott. However, most timetable changes were accommodated in the first week of school

In a unique situation:

- Sit down with the appropriate teacher and discuss success.
- Check in with Mrs. Keay
- The Gr. 12 one-on-one meeting helps all parties determine what is best for the student.



**“WHAT DO  
YOU WANT TO  
BE WHEN YOU  
GROW UP?”**

A sunset over a beach with a red scribble over the text.

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## BETTER QUESTIONS TO POSE

1. What are your priorities in the next three years?
2. What might be a good plan for being well and self-sufficient? Both are important.
3. If your life was a story, what would you like in the next chapter?
4. How could you make money doing something you are good at?
5. If you have a passion, would it be better for it to be an income source, or a hobby paid for by another job?

# WHAT ARE SOME OPTIONS FOR NEXT YEAR?

**Some common choices you can discuss together:**

- **Post-Secondary:**

  - University / College / Technical School

- **Work:**

  - Apprenticeship / Career

- **Goal-Setting Year:**

  - Upgrading Courses / Exploring Workforce / Part-time Post-secondary Study / Volunteerism



# Where can I get information to help my child with his/her choice ?

- **myBlueprint.ca**
  - activation code: hilltop
  - ASN Alberta Student Number (in folder)
- ALIS – ONE STOP SHOPPING
  - [www.alis.alberta.ca](http://www.alis.alberta.ca)
- RAP
  - [www.TradeSecrets.alberta.ca](http://www.TradeSecrets.alberta.ca)
- Work Experience
- Dual Credit programs
  - <http://www.albertadualcredit.ca/>

# What do post-secondary schools normally look at for admission?

-Grade 11 marks

-Grade 12 marks

.... That's it.

- Exceptions:
  - Arts program: Portfolio
  - ....

# THE VALUE OF BUILDING A RESUME

- You need a resume.
- Student Services is happy to help.
- ~~proofreading~~ Proofreading
- Digital footprint/social media
- Cover Letter: *Why hire me?*
- Resume Basics:
  - Name + Contact Information
  - List highest level of achievement, workplace certificates
  - Identify and Detail your Prior Work Experience
  - Identify volunteerism and extra-curriculars
  - List references

# <https://www.applyalberta.ca>

## What is ApplyAlberta?

ApplyAlberta is a secure online application system that allows students to apply to one or more of Alberta's public colleges, universities, and technical institutes through a common starting point, and to authorize the transfer of their Alberta high school or post-secondary transcripts.

## How does ApplyAlberta benefit students?

- Makes it easy for students to apply to one or more post-secondary institutions. The first time students use ApplyAlberta they will create a profile with their personal and academic history. This information is then filled in automatically on each of the Alberta post-secondary applications they complete.
- Facilitates the transfer of academic transcripts. Within ApplyAlberta, students authorize institution(s) to request the transfer of their Alberta Education high school and/or post-secondary transcripts. Students will not be charged a fee for transcripts transferred through ApplyAlberta.
- Speeds up the application process. The ability to apply to multiple institutions without having to re-enter basic information and to authorize transcript transfers will save students time.

# FINANCING EDUCATION

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BUSINESS

## Report finds higher ed is best investment

College diploma delivers top return, economists write

KIM COVERT  
*Financial Post*  
OTTAWA

Looking for an investment with an average rate of return above 10 per cent? Go to school.

According to a TD Economics report on post-secondary education, that's the average return on an undergraduate degree. A college diploma, which has lower upfront costs, offers an even higher return on your investment, chief economist Craig Alexander and economist Shahrzad Mobasher Fard write in the report.

The report says there's no evidence that students with debt are "disadvantaged" in the long run, despite Statistics Canada data showing students leave post-secondary school with an average debt of \$18,000.

College or university graduates are more employable, spend less time unemployed when they lose their jobs, and earn more than those with a high-school diploma or less, according to data from Statistics Canada and the 2006 census, and that is unlikely to change.

"Looking ahead, the disparate employment outcomes by education levels are likely to widen," write Alexander and Mobasher Fard. "The demand for higher-skilled workers

will only increase as the Canadian economy evolves, while an aging population will likely lead to shortages in many trade occupations and high-skilled occupations."

Still, the economists acknowledge the cost of a post-secondary education can be "daunting," and the resulting debt a major burden. Twenty-six per cent of students take out government-funded student loans; there are no statistics for the amount of private debt accumulated.

A 2009 TD Economics report by the same authors pegged the cost of a four-year degree at \$55,000 for students living at home and \$84,000 for students away from home. In 18 years' time, they predict those costs will be \$102,286 and \$139,380 respectively.

"Despite the fact that a number of graduating students report that their economic well-being is being hindered by heavy student loan debts, there is no evidence that the debt puts them at a long-term disadvantage," Alexander and Mobasher Fard write, pointing out that their economic conditions will improve as the debt is paid off and as earnings rise.

Debt-service ratios — the ratio of debt payments to earned income — are "manageable" with median ratios falling somewhere between three and 10 per cent depending on the degree or diploma and the level of debt.

*Postmedia News*

# A big investment

A 2009 TD Economics report pegged the cost of four-year degree (combined with living expenses) at \$55,000 for students living at home and \$84,000 for students away from home.



# Scholarship Assistance

- Student Services and Mrs. Keay are always available for scholarship application assistance. Students are welcome to drop in and parents are welcome to phone us at any time.
- School phone number: 780-778-2446
- Mrs. Keay: ext. 1302
- Ms. Trebilcock: ext 1703
- Mrs. Smith-Tomke: ext. 1705
- Mr. Northcott: ext. 1709



- Year after year, numerous scholarships fail to receive a **single** application.
- When in doubt: **Apply!**
- Think about it this way: A few hours of work assembling letters and filling out a form could translate into **thousands of dollars.**
- Honour your hard work at school:  
**Research and apply!**





# RUTHERFORD SCHOLARSHIP

\*\*Online application only

\*\*\*Can be used even if a break between high school and post-secondary

-Average above 75% in gr 10, 11 or 12 = \$

-Average above 80% in gr 10, 11 or 12 = \$\$

\*\*\*CTS courses now come into consideration

My Blueprint calculates your eligibility amounts for YOU!!



# HILLTOP SCHOLARSHIP GROUP

- Hilltop website: [hilltophigh.ca](http://hilltophigh.ca)
- Hilltop Scholarship Group (based on career path)
  - Jonathan White Memorial Scholarship
  - Gary Nelson Memorial Scholarship
  - Wendy Calliou “Heart of Gold” Scholarship
  - FNMI Scholarship (2)



# "GIANT CHEQUE" SCHOLARSHIPS

- Loran Scholarship
- Schulich Scholarship



\*Nomination-based applications.

If you wish to be nominated, write a letter addressed to Mrs. Keay outlining the reasons you should be our nominee.

Deadline: October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018

# OTHER SCHOLARSHIP INFO

- [www.yconic.com](http://www.yconic.com)
- [www.scholarshipscanada.com](http://www.scholarshipscanada.com)
- <http://www.aucc.ca/programs-services/sc>
- <http://alis.alberta.ca/hs/fo/pay/scholarships/available.html>
- The RAP/CTS Scholarships
  - [https://tradesecrets.alberta.ca/financial-assistance/scholarships/rap\\_cts-scholarships/](https://tradesecrets.alberta.ca/financial-assistance/scholarships/rap_cts-scholarships/)



# STUDENT LOANS & STUDENT AID



\*\*Alberta v. Federal Student Loans

-Information for students and families on government loans and other forms of student aid:

[www.studentaid.alberta.ca](http://www.studentaid.alberta.ca)

[www.canlearn.ca](http://www.canlearn.ca)

\*\*\*Parental income is no longer a consideration for Alberta student loan applications

**Important note:** Sometimes, schools have their own student aid offices, which can offer additional support as need arises. ie.

<http://www.su.ualberta.ca/services/sfaic/>

# Opportunities for Indigenous Students

Several opportunities exist for  
self-declared students

Important to speak with Ms. Smith-Tomke  
about post-secondary opportunities

Also:

<http://www.albertametis.com/services/education.aspx>

# student FOR A DAY

- Mrs. Keay is happy to assist students in organizing **student-for-a-day experiences** at major schools.

# University of Alberta OPEN HOUSE

- October 20, 2018
- 9 am to 4 pm
- Visit:

<https://www.ualberta.ca/admissions/undergraduate/tours-and-events/open-house>

For more information and to register





# NAIT OPEN HOUSE

A graphic for NAIT Open House 2018. The background is a stylized topographic map with green and blue contour lines. The text 'OPEN HOUSE' is written in large, bold, white letters on a blue background. A small white flag with '2018' is positioned to the right of 'OPEN'. The NAIT logo is in the top right corner. The dates and times for the event are listed in blue text on the right side.

**OPEN HOUSE** 2018

**NAIT**

**OCTOBER 12**  
9AM - 3PM

**OCTOBER 13**  
10AM - 3PM

# MacEwan University OPEN HOUSE

November 3, 2018

<https://www.macewan.ca/wcm/MacEwanEvents/OpenHouse/index.htm>

# When can I apply to schools?

\*\*Detailed information is in your folder.

-NAIT: October 1, 2018 to Day 1 of class

-Most Canadian Universities:  
October 1, 2018 to May 1, 2019

If you would like help applying for a post-secondary program, **make an appointment to see Mrs. Keay.**



myPass is an Alberta Education secure self-service website for Alberta high school students to:

- ✓ View and print diploma exam result statements
- ✓ Order transcripts
- ✓ View progress towards a credential (diploma or certificate)
- ✓ View student personal information
- ✓ View and print detailed academic reports (DAR)
- ✓ Order additional copies of a credential

[Sign in with an Education Account >>](#)

First time to myPass? [Sign in](#) with an Education Account to connect to student information.

Don't have an Education Account? You can create one during [sign in](#).

To use all the features offered by myPass, please ensure you are using a [supported browser](#).

In October, students will be called down to work with Mrs. Keay and sign up for MyPass and MyBlueprint during C-Block

# HANDY COMMUNICATION OPTIONS

- Staff Email: [firstname.lastname@ngps.ca](mailto:firstname.lastname@ngps.ca)
- School website [www.hilltophigh.ca](http://www.hilltophigh.ca)
- Monthly newsletter
- Remind
  - \*Please look at Remind sign up in your package

# On Twitter @ngpsht

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Whitecourt, AB

hilltophigh.ca

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359 Photos and videos



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Hilltop High School @ngpsht · May 18  
We are proud to announce that our Hilltop Student Council has raised \$500.00 to donate to Fort McMurray. #AlbertaStrong

Retweets 2 Likes 6

Hilltop High School @ngpsht · May 17  
Good luck to the senior track and field team who are heading to a meet in Edmonton on Thursday!

Retweets 1 Likes 2

Hilltop High School @ngpsht · May 17  
REMINDER: No School Friday May 20th and Monday May 23rd. Have a happy and safe long weekend!

Retweets 1 Likes 1

Hilltop High School @ngpsht · May 12  
Good luck to our Rugby players who are heading to the Drayton Valley tournament tomorrow!

Retweets 1 Likes 1

Hilltop High School @ngpsht · May 12  
It's Back! Friday is Taco in a Bag! \$5.00 a bag. First come first serve. All proceeds being donated to Fort McMurray



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14.7K Tweets

#DolanTwinsNewVideo  
41.7K Tweets

#RCBvGL  
64.5K Tweets

Bill Cosby  
62.1K Tweets

#GiveCaptainAmericaABoyfriend  
186K Tweets

#BernieHillaryTVShows  
Just started trending

Super Bowl LIII  
Just started trending

Kevan Miller  
Just started trending



# us on Facebook!

A screenshot of the Hilltop Jr/Sr High School Facebook page. The page header shows the school's name and a search bar. The cover photo is a building with a large glass entrance. The profile picture is the Hilltop Chargers logo, which features a red and white horse head. The page has a 'Like' button and a 'Share' button. The main content area shows three posts from the school. The first post, dated May 18 at 3:37pm, announces that the Hilltop Student Council has raised \$500.00 to donate to Fort McMurray. The second post, dated May 17 at 11:42am, is a reminder that there is no school on Friday May 20th and Monday May 23rd. The third post, dated May 12 at 9:48am, promotes a 'Taco in a Bag' event on Friday the 13th, where all proceeds are being donated to Fort McMurray. The left sidebar contains information about the school, including its address (71 Sunset Blvd), phone number (780-778-2446), and website (http://hilltophigh.ca/). There are also links to ask for the school's hours and price range. The bottom right corner shows a chat window with 7 messages.



# [www.ngps.ca](http://www.ngps.ca)



Telephone: 780.778.2800  
Toll Free: 1.800.262.8674

 Schools

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#### District Notice

Students displaced from their homes in Fort McMurray are welcome at Northern Gateway Public Schools. We are here to help you during this incredibly difficult time <http://bit.ly/1T64mz>.

A banner image featuring a group of diverse children smiling. The image is overlaid with large, semi-transparent circles in shades of pink, yellow, green, and blue.

Learning for life. Together.



ALL BUSES ON TIME

MAY 19

Division welcomes  
new Assistant  
Superintendent

MAY 17

Hillside Service  
Learning in  
Nicaragua!

MAY 16

New Principal begins  
at Onoway  
Elementary this  
September!

# [www.hilltophigh.ca](http://www.hilltophigh.ca)

71 Sunset Boulevard Whitecourt, AB T7S 1N1 Phone: 780.778.2446 Fax: 780.778.8818



## Hilltop Jr/Sr High School

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Hilltop High School ~ "A great place to LEARN...and more!"

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<http://bit.ly/11e4mnr>.

## Welcome to Hilltop High School

Welcome to the Website of Hilltop High School.



# THANK YOU

Remember that Student Services is always pleased to help! Should you require additional information, contact:

Mr. Northcott

Mrs. Keay

Mrs. Smith-Tomke,  
or Ms. Trebilcock.