

# Holy Heart of Mary High School

International Baccalaureate

February 28, 2023

Dear Graduates of the Class of 2023 and family,

Each year Holy Heart takes great pride in celebrating the accomplishments of our Senior Class . Holy Heart's motto has long been "one heart amongst us" and it is with great pleasure that we extend an invitation to the Class of 2023 and their friends and family to come together one last time to honor them. The planned Graduation festivities will span two days and will celebrate many years of learning and relationships. As always, our community values inclusion and accessibility for all our students and we believe that the festivities we have planned over two days will reflect these values. We have summarized the events below. Not all details have been finalized and may be subject to change.

## **Graduation Cap and Gown Ceremony**

Date: Wednesday, June 21, 2023

Start Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Holy Heart Theater

**Number of guests:** Graduate plus 2 guests. Our space requirements and equity of access mean we have to limit the number of guests.

What to expect:

- Greetings
- Performances
- Presentation of awards/diplomas to graduates
- Valedictorian speech
- HHM Memories Slideshow
- Fun Awards (as voted by graduates)

## **Schooling Leaving Event - Celebrating our Relationships**

Date: Thursday, June 22, 2023

Start Time: 3:00 pm

Location: Holy Heart High School 1st Floor (and courtyard weather permitting)

#### What to expect (subject to change):

LRC	Gymnasium	Cafeteria	Courtyard/Entrances
<ul> <li>Professional photo backdrops will be set up for students to take photos with their group, friends, etc</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Meet and Greet</li> <li>Space will be available for a dance</li> <li>Themed photo areas for students to take photos with their group, friends, etc.</li> </ul>	Food • Finger foods and beverages available for graduates and guests	Outside Photo Opportunity (Weather Permitting) Photo areas (decorated) for students to take photos with their group, friends, etc

### Sign up for School Leaving Event:

Registration will begin in late March via Google Form. Students are reminded to use their school email addresses. To help offset the cost of these events, including decorations, food and the cap and gowns (which the graduates can keep), there will be a fee of \$50.00. Online payments can be made through Rycor on the school website starting mid March. Arrangements can also be made to pay in the school via cash, cheque or debit/credit. If this cost is a barrier to attending we ask families to please contact the office and we will be more than happy to work together to ensure no one will be left out.

<u>Please note that this is a school sponsored event and school rules around appropriate</u> <u>conduct will be strictly enforced. Smoking and vaping are not permitted on school</u> <u>grounds. Any student who is observed/known to have consumed or in possession of</u> <u>alcohol or drugs will be denied entry to the event.</u>

#### Grad Pictures reminder

- Due to due snow days, grad photos are rescheduled to April 3, 4, & 5.
- **NOTE** that this is the only remaining opportunity to have grad photos taken (the Lifetouch studio will not be running any more this year).
- These pictures are important for the school wall composite and yearbook. Any student who does not have a photo taken by Lifetouch will not appear on the school wall composite or in the yearbook.
- Appointments can be made using the link and there is a \$25 sitting fee: <u>https://booknow.appointment-plus.com/1dqjcnzg/</u>

Sincerely,

Holy Heart of Mary Graduation Committee