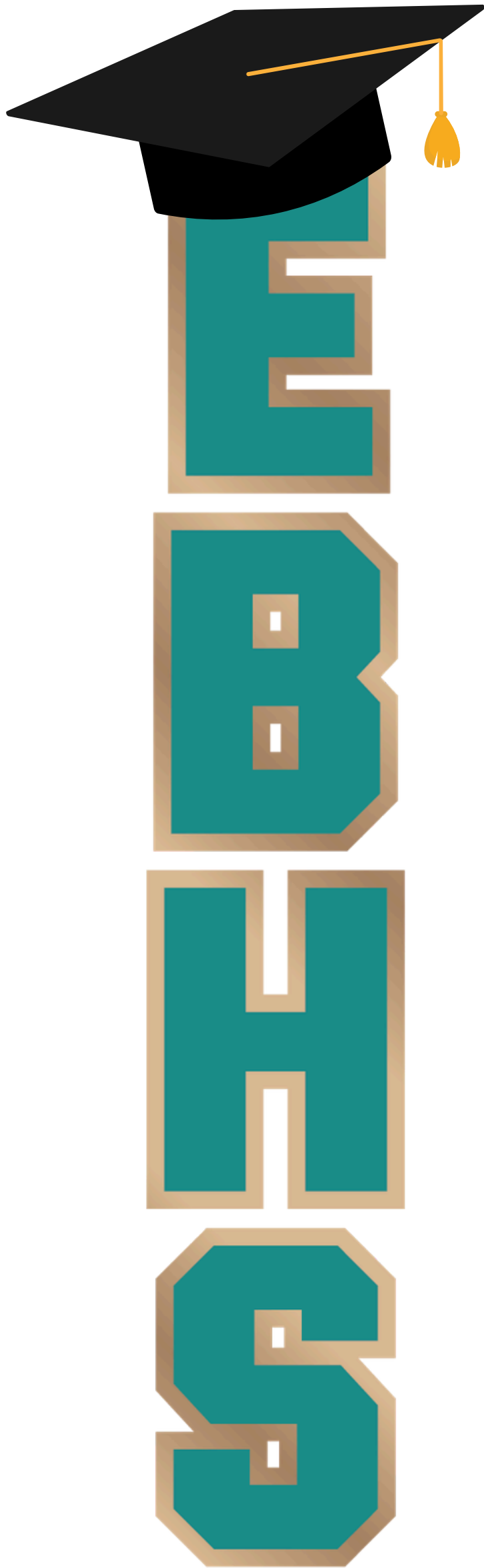


EBHS EAGLE BUTTE
HIGH SCHOOL



GRADUATION
class of 2026



Principal's Message

Congratulations Class of 2026! We look forward to celebrating your achievements at our graduation ceremony this year. It is our goal at Eagle Butte High School to have an enjoyable and memorable graduation for students and their families. Education is why you are here, along with earning your high school diploma. The finish line is in sight, so continue to put in your best effort and finish strong. While this is a very exciting time, it is important to continue making decisions that will ensure you successfully meet your goals. The information contained in the following pages should ensure that you understand the procedures and protocols attached to graduation exercises. This will help you to plan accordingly for graduation at EBHS.

*“Upon the education of the people of this country,
the fate of this country depends.”*

~ Benjamin Disraeli

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION & KEY DATES

~ PLEASE READ CAREFULLY ~



Grad 2026

EBHS Grad Information Booklet

Grad Eligibility & Grad List

Students who attend EBHS in the 2025/26 school year and have the potential to earn an Alberta High School Diploma by June 2026 will be eligible to participate in the 2026 EBHS Graduation functions.

The minimum requirements to earn an Alberta High School diploma can also be found at https://bit.ly/gradreq_ab. You may refer to your student agenda for more detailed information regarding the graduation policy at EBHS.

Grad List:

In March, Academic Counsellors will compile a "Tentative Grad List". Student progress and attendance in class, work experience, and distance learning courses will be monitored and evaluated.

In Mid-March, students who are deemed to be at risk of not completing their graduation requirements will be notified by letter and by a meeting with counsellors and administrators. If they have not completed the required work with an acceptable grade by midterm, they will forfeit the opportunity to take part in graduation exercises - grad tickets and applicable grad fees will be refunded.

Following the second semester midterm-reporting period, a final "Grad List" will be publicized. If a student has not qualified to be on the final list, they are unable to be placed on the list at a later time.

See your academic counsellor if you have questions.

Grad Fees

Please ensure that your **\$100 grad fee** has been paid. This fee helps to cover the many costs involved in hosting an event such as graduation. It includes event rental fees, rental of gowns, purchase of mortarboards (caps) and tassels that the students get to keep, printing costs for invitations, decorating, and much more.

Grad Fees:

Mandatory Grad Fee: \$100
includes, cap, gown and all expenses associated with ceremonies

Banquet Tickets: \$46.00 per ticket
the number of tickets purchased must also include a ticket for the grad

Please note that ALL school fees, library fees, extracurricular and grad fees must be paid in order to take part in graduation activities and before students are allowed to purchase banquet tickets.

Financial Assistance

We want to make sure that all graduates are able to participate in all Grad functions and are not limited due to financial constraints. If paying fees may be an issue, please contact Mrs. Howes ASAP.

The MyCityCare Grad Project is an initiative aimed at supporting and recognizing graduating students who have faced financial difficulties by providing all the necessities for a memorable graduation celebration. If students require formal wear for the Grad Banquet, jewellery, hair/makeup, or photos, please contact medicinehat@mycitycare.ca. For more information, you may also visit MyCityCare Medicine Hat on Facebook.

Important Dates

March 4	Grad Parent Meeting at EBHS at 6:30 p.m.
April 1	Deadline to submit Baby/Childhood Photos for Grad Banquet slideshow (3-4 Photos - eg. baby, elementary, junior high & senior high) E-mail: joycekrause@prrd8.ca
April 1	Deadline to email Mrs. Akkerman for those planning to audition with a musical selection or participate in grad choir. E-mail: kateanneakkerman@prrd8.ca
April 1	Ticket Requests for the Banquet are due
April 14	Confirmation of the number of banquet tickets will be given to grads
April 23	Deadline to pay all EBHS fees (in order to purchase grad tickets)
April 25-29	Banquet Ticket Purchases - ONLINE **Option only available to those that have paid all EBHS fees by April 23
April 27-29	Banquet Ticket Purchases - IN PERSON debit/credit at EBHS Business Office
April 29	Deadline for Special Dietary Needs & Seating Requests (including other grads you would like to be seated with) E-mail: joycekrause@prrd8.ca
April 20 - 24	Auditions for Grad Music Performances
TBD	Grad Church Service (Time: TBD)
May 27	Grad Gowns & Banquet Tickets distributed during TAG
May 28	Decorating at Co-op Place - Parents and Student Committee, trucks and trailers needed. Please contact Pam Stockley to volunteer. (9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.) E-mail: pamstockley@prrd8.ca
May 28	Grad Rehearsal @ the Co-op Place Be there at 4:00 p.m. sharp! (ends @ 5:30 p.m.)
May 29	Decorating at Co-op Place - Student Committee plus parents (9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.) **Please DO NOT make hair appts, etc before 2:00 p.m. if you are a decorating committee member.
May 29	Graduation Cap & Gown Ceremonies Grads arrive at 6:00 p.m. dressed in caps and gowns. Ceremonies begin at 7:00 p.m.
May 30	Graduation Banquet - seated by 6:00 p.m. Grand March & Dance @ 9:00 p.m.
May 31	Clean-Up @ The Co-op Place - 9:00 a.m. (trucks and trailers needed, please contact Pam Stockley to volunteer)

Graduation Cap & Gown Ceremonies

Invitations

Tickets are not required for the Cap and Gown Ceremonies on Friday, May 29th at the Co-op Place.

Grad Gowns

Fitting for grad gowns was done prior to cap and gown photos being taken. If you have any questions regarding the gowns, please see Mrs. Kelly. The gowns are worn for the Cap and Gown Ceremonies on Friday, May 29 and will be distributed to the grads during TAG on Wednesday, May 27. Grad gowns must be returned at the end of the evening at Co-op Place following the ceremonies as they must be shipped back to Gaspards Rental Co. the next morning.

Dress Attire

Under your grad gown, wear dark dress pants, a white dress shirt with a dark tie, or a dress.

When styling your hair, keep in mind that a mortarboard (cap) will be pinned on. The mortarboard (cap) is worn so that it is **parallel to the floor**. Do NOT tilt it back on your head.

Please wear dress shoes. When choosing shoes, remember that you will be walking down a long aisle and will be walking up and down stairs.

Co-op Place (Code of Conduct)

As a school event, this is also a tobacco-free and alcohol-free event. Security will be monitoring the doors upon entry/exit and throughout the event for both the ceremony and banquet. There will be full bag checks in effect at the door, including purses and clutches. Random bag checks may also occur throughout the venue. Parking lots and plaza/outdoor areas will be monitored by both security and CCTV. Any violation of criminal code law or venue policy will be enforced by venue security or MHPS/Bylaw. This includes burnouts or other vehicle infractions. Re-entry for smoking/vaping will be through the main doors, and across the street from the venue. There will be a light concession available on the Friday evening.

Grad Rehearsal

Rehearsal for Cap and Gown Ceremonies
Thursday, May 28 @ Co-op Place - 4:00 p.m. sharp!
(ends at 5:30 p.m.)

This is the **ONE** and **ONLY REHEARSAL**.
ALL GRADS MUST BE IN ATTENDANCE.

CHANGE your WORK SCHEDULES
to accommodate this practice!

Assembling at Co-op Place

Friday, May 29 @ Co-op Place
Grads to be in the assembly area Co-op Place
by 6:00 p.m.

- Grads will come in the main entrance and will proceed to the assembly area.
Be on time - 6:00 p.m.
- Grads only will be allowed in this assembly area.
- Line up in assigned order as soon as you have your cap, gown, and stole on.
- Guests will use the main entrance to Co-op Place. There is no admission charge to the ceremonies, and guests do not require a ticket.

Processional, Presentation of Diplomas and Recessional

- All procedures will be explained at the rehearsal. This is why you **MUST** attend our rehearsal.
- Remember to return your gown to the student volunteers at the tables set up in the assembly area (labelled in alphabetical order). The cap and tassel are yours to keep.

The GOWNS and STOLES are to be LEFT at
CO-OP PLACE. DO NOT take them home.

NO GUM, NO CELL PHONES & NO WATER

Banquet & Dance Information

Program & Times

Saturday, May 30 @ Co-op Place

- Doors open at Co-op Place @ 5:00 p.m.
- Meal: Please be seated by 6:00 p.m.
- Toasts/Speeches/Program follow meal
- Grand March: 9:00 p.m. (tentative)
- Dance: 9:15 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

Cost: \$46.00 per ticket

Banquet Ticket Requests

Requests for tickets need to be **returned by April 1**. By April 14, grads will receive a "Banquet Ticket Purchase Form" from their TAG teacher which will confirm the number of tickets available for purchase for each grad.

All Grad Fees, School Fees, Extra Curricular, and Library Fees must be paid BEFORE banquet tickets will be released for purchase.

Options for Purchasing EBHS Banquet Tickets

1. SchoolCash Online (April 25th-29th)

If all school fees have been paid by April 23, 2026 - tickets will be released for purchase **online only** through SchoolCash Online.

2. IN-PERSON (debit/credit/cash) (April 27th-29th)

In person sales will be available in the EBHS Business Office from 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

****BANQUET TICKET SALES WILL BE FINALIZED April 29, 2026
TICKETS CANNOT BE SOLD OR REFUNDED AFTER THIS DATE****

--refund exception only to students that have been removed from the official grad list--



Requesting Banquet Tickets & Decorating Sign-up

Please use the following link or QR Code to complete the ticket request form. If interested in helping with decorating scan the code on the right.

Ticket Request Link & QR Code:

<https://bit.ly/ebhsgrad2026>



Decorating Sign-up QR Code:

bit.ly/decorating2026



Seating Capacity at the Co-op Place is limited. Therefore, each grad will be guaranteed a maximum number of seats/tickets for the banquet. If you do not need the maximum amount, please only request what you need. If you need additional tickets, please indicate the total number of tickets you wish to have. We cannot guarantee all requests, so please prioritize your list and be reasonable with your requests. Once all requests have been submitted, we will be able to confirm the number of tickets available.

Tickets not required for **Cap and Gown** Ceremony

Maximum Tickets Guaranteed for **Banquet:**
7 tickets (including grad)

Note: If we are unable to accommodate your maximum request, any additional guests are welcome to attend the non-meal portion of the program (toasts & grand march) and would be seated in the arena seating.

They will be able to move to the dance floor as space becomes available.

There will be no ticket required for this portion of the evening.

Deadline for Ticket Requests: April 1, 2026

Special Dietary Needs

Our caterer for the graduation banquet is Shooting Star Events. They are generally able to accommodate the following dietary needs: gluten allergies, vegetarian, vegan, nut allergy, and/or dairy allergy.

You can indicate any dietary needs in the survey when submitting your ticket requests or you can email Joyce Krause directly at joycekrause@prrd8.ca.

Deadline for Dietary Needs: April 29, 2026

Special Seating Requests

In order to help with seating, please indicate any special needs with regards to seating. Some examples may include wheelchair/walker access.

If a grad wishes to be seated next to another grad, we will do our best to accommodate seating requests.

The BEST way to ensure we are able to accommodate your request is to limit your request to TWO other grads and make sure that these grads also request to sit next to you.

You can indicate any seating requests in the survey when submitting your ticket requests or you can email Joyce Krause directly at joycekrause@prrd8.ca.

Deadline for Seating Requests: April 29, 2026

Other Grad Info

Grad Photos

Photos were scheduled during exam week in January. These photos will be used for the yearbook and the Prairie Rose digital display board, so all grads are asked to have their photo taken, even if they are not interested in photos for themselves. If you have missed taking your photo, please contact Mrs. Kelly.

Keepsakes

Each participating EBHS Grad will be able to keep their mortarboard (cap) and tassel.

Grad Church Service

All grads and their families are invited to celebrate this milestone together. Plans for a possible city-wide grad church service are being discussed. Stay tuned for upcoming details.

Grad Video & Live-Streaming

There is a tentative plan to live-stream the Graduation Ceremony, along with a graduation video that will be made available to all grads following the graduation.

Grad Slideshow

Mrs. Krause and her work experience student will be working to create a slideshow for the banquet. Each grad is asked to submit 3-4 baby/childhood photos showing the grad growing up. You do not need to submit a grad photo, as we will be using the photos from LifeTouch.

Awards

EBHS is eager to recognize its graduates for their academic achievements and other accomplishments. The following grad awards will be presented at the graduation ceremony.

- **Valedictorian:** will be announced following the midterm report cards
- **Gold Cords:** for those who have achieved a credit-weighted honours standing (80% or higher) for all three years at EBHS
- **Teal Cords:** for those who have earned more than 140 credits, they will receive the teal cord for due diligence

Grad Yearbook (\$35/yearbook)

Don't forget to purchase your yearbook. The deadline to purchase yearbooks will be **June 1, 2025**. After this date, you will not be able to receive a yearbook.

Photo/Video Submissions for Yearbook

Due to a growing grad class and the challenges that come with vetting all submissions, we will no longer be including individual grad "quotes" in the yearbook.

However, grads and their families are encouraged to submit photos/brief video clips that they would like considered for the yearbook. All submissions MUST be school appropriate. Any questionable submissions will not be considered. When submitting photos/videos grads are asked to think about how they want to be remembered 20 years from now.



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Setup SchoolCash in less than 5 minutes!

1

Prairie Rose Public Schools Website

- www.myprps.com
- Click on  in the top right corner
- Select **SchoolCash Online**

2

Register

- Select **Register** and setup user profile details
- Select Yes to receive notifications so you can be alerted when a fee is added

3

Confirm your Email

- Check your inbox for the email confirmation and click the link inside
- You will be prompted to sign into your account. Use your email address and password you provided.

4

Add a Student

- Enter the School Board Name (Prairie Rose School Division)
- Enter the School Name (Eagle Butte High School)
- Enter your child's **First Name**, **Last Name**, and **Date of Birth**
- Confirm that you are related to the student

5

Pay for Student Items

- Click on the items under the student name and add to your cart
- Check out using Credit Card or e-cheque (bank account debit)
- Receipt available instantly

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Contact EBHS Student Records (403) 528-1996 ext. 2004 if you need assistance