

Congratulations to the Bowden GrandView School

Class of 2025



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*"What lies behind us and what lies before us are
small matters compared to what lies within us."*

— Ralph Waldo Emerson



Carver Werdal



Shannon Wood

Valedictorian Address

Good evening, class of 2025, what a night to celebrate. Funnily enough, this will probably be the first time many of you have heard me speak for more than 30 seconds... so buckle up!

Thirteen or so years ago, I remember getting shuffled into the kindergarten classroom. You may remember Mrs. Tuff, our kindergarten teacher. Many of us started with Mrs. Tuff, she played an integral role in the early stage of helping us find our voices. Although she is no longer with us, it was her kind encouragement that we started on this path of gaining confidence. When I first started school, I lost my voice. For the first three months, I never spoke a single word, but it was Mrs. Tuff's patient nature that allowed me to slowly start to open up. I honestly felt scared. But through the years, the actions of teachers, classmates, and friends, I got cheered on until I finally found my confidence. Not all of us started here at Bowden Grandview school though, there are those who joined us after our kindergarten year at various points. For them, at whatever time they joined it was probably just as scary as starting kindergarten again. Most likely all of you probably share an experience similar to mine. So tonight, I stand before you here to celebrate how we have all discovered our voices. How we will use them to shape tomorrow.

Our journey together has been a long one. We've lost some people along the way. We've gained some new ones. But through it all, we have persevered, together. Through online classes when the covid lockdown hit in grade 7, through the assignments and exams of our grade 12 year and through the impending prophecy of our adulthood. Through all of the struggles and sacrifices, we can finally say "I have made it"... but our story is not over yet. I feel like it is just beginning, because now is the time when we decide who we truly want to be. There is a dream somewhere deep down inside all of us, but it's up to each of us to pursue it. Now is the time we choose not only our future careers, but how we show up—as leaders, as friends, and as citizens of a world in need of our voices. A world with economic uncertainty, inflation, conflicts and rising tariffs. More than ever we need to show up, we need to use our voices, we need to participate in our rapidly changing world and all that comes with it. Keeping in mind a simple word of encouragement can change a life.

I know there have been some concerns of a lack of opportunity here at Bowden Grandview school, but I think we need to understand that what we have lacked in some areas, we have actually gained in others. Being in a small school with a small class meant we couldn't fade into the background, it meant more connection. We learn how to support each other, challenge each other, and grow together as people. In this school, we aren't just numbers—we are faces, each one familiar, each one important. We have built incredible relationships with each other and I am not just talking about our class of students or students in other grades, I am talking about all the teachers, administration, and even the parents and community volunteers who support us and walk our hallways daily and know who we are. As we move forward into the bigger world we will carry that sense of closeness with us. No matter how large the world becomes, we will always know what it means to be seen. And thus I would like to thank all the incredible teachers and EA's who have helped to mentor and guide us as well as encouraged us to use our voices, all the administration and support staff for everything you do behind the scenes helping make our success possible, and all the parents and community volunteers who dedicate their time for fundraising and school programs whether it be as a coach or in the breakfast program. Thank you again to everyone who has helped us through this chapter of our story.

As each of us start this next chapter our paths won't be the same, but we share a common responsibility to lift each other up, to speak loudly for those who are still finding their voices, and to build bridges where there are walls. Continue to grow, continue to question, and never stop striving for better. The only thing stopping you is you going "I'm too dumb to learn that". The truth is no you're not. You just don't know enough about it yet.

There you go, now everyone in this room can officially say they have actually heard Josh Hunter speak!

Thank you

Josh Hunter



Literacy Corner

Ah, June! We LOVE June! June is the beginning of endless summer days, outdoor fun, lemonade stands and so much more.

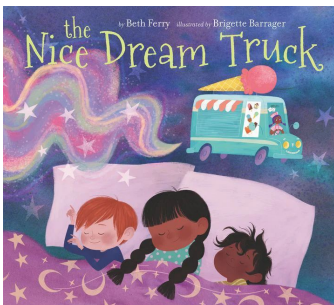


Up in the Leaves: The True Story of the Central Park Treehouses by Shira Boss

A true story about Bob Redman, a New York City boy who built a series of intricate treehouses hidden in Central Park. This charming picture book tells the true story of Bob Redman, a child growing up in New York City. Tired of the noise, the people, and the rushing around, Bob took shelter in the natural beauty of Central Park—where he covertly built a series of amazing treehouses, starting with a simple platform and growing more and more elaborate over time.

Stories in a Seashell by Alex Nogués

Max is walking on the beach doing the kinds of things that people strolling on a beach do. Among other things he watches the waves wash away his footprints, and he picks up shells. Then Max sees a big shell and he holds it to his ear to find out if you really can hear the sea inside a sea shell.



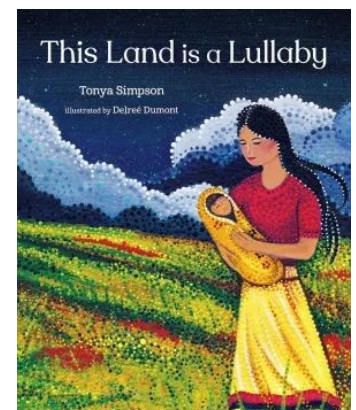
The Nice Dream Truck By Beth Ferry

When bedtime is near, you might be in luck. You might get a visit from the Nice Dream Truck! Sample your choice of sweet dreams—from astronaut to making-the-shot and more—all served by a truck that flies on moonbeams. You may choose to swim; you may want to fly, there's an endless assortment of flavors to try! New York Times bestselling creators Beth Ferry and Brigitte Barrager serve up a delightful twist on the lyrical bedtime romp, reminding us that there are as many ways to dream as ice cream flavors to taste.

Indigenous Education

This Land Is a Lullaby by Tonya Simpson

In warm, soothing language, a mother speaks to her infant, poetically describing their ancestral surroundings and reflecting on traditional Cree knowledge...Luxuriantly alive with glowing colors and textured patterns, Dumont's (Onion Lake Cree Nation) exquisite pointillist illustrations resemble three-dimensional beadwork. This eloquent and insightful picture book honors the enduring relationship between a child, their ancestors, and the land.



BGS Final Exams - June 2025 [FINAL]

DATE	EXAM	TEACHER	ROOM	TIME
Wed. May 28	Gr. 6 PAT - ELA (Part A)	Barkshire	122	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Thurs. May 29	Gr. 9 PAT - ELA (Part A)	Sackela-Geiger	189	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Wed. June 11	English 30-1 Diploma (Part A)	Crandall	120	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
	English 30-2 Diploma (Part A)	Weststrate	184	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Thurs. June 12	Social 30-2 Diploma (Part A)	Weststrate	Office	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
	Gr. 9 PAT - ELA (Part B)	Sackela-Geiger	189	9:00 AM - 11:30 AM
	Gr. 6 PAT - ELA (Part B)	Barkshire	122	9:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Fri. June 13	Gr. 9 PAT - Math (Part A)	Dye	192	9:00 AM - 10:00 AM
	Gr. 6 PAT - Math (Part A)	Barkshire	122	9:00 AM - 9:40 AM
Tues. June 17	Math 30-1 Diploma	Raju	193	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
	Math 30-2 Diploma	Lockhat	198	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
	Gr. 9 PAT - Math (Part B)	Dye	192	9:00 AM - 11:40 AM
	Gr. 6 PAT - Math (Part B)	Barkshire	122	9:00 AM - 9:40 AM
Wed. June 18	English 30-1 Diploma (Part B)	Crandall	120	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
	English 30-2 Diploma (Part B)	Weststrate	184	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
	Gr. 9 PAT - Social Studies	Crandall	120	9:00 AM - 11:40 AM
Thurs June 19	Social 30-2 Diploma (Part B)	Weststrate	Office	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

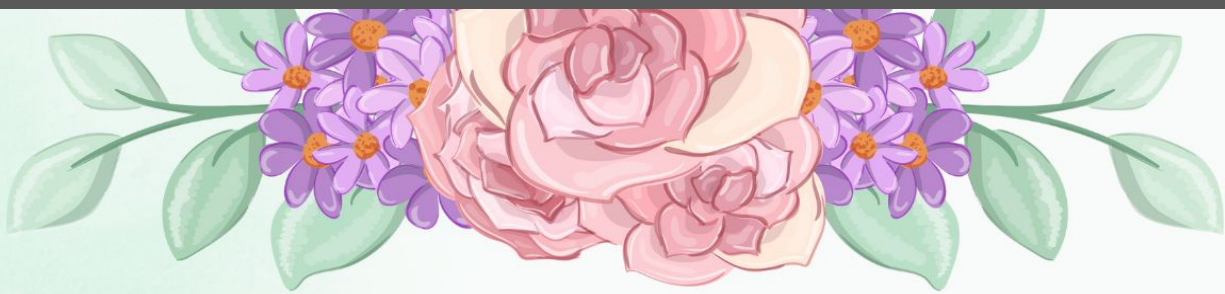
LAST DAY OF REGULAR CLASSES FOR GR.9-12 STUDENTS IS THURS. JUNE 19

Fri. June 20	Math 20-1/20-2	Raju	193	08:40 AM - 12:00 PM
	Science 10	Dye	192	08:40 AM - 12:00 PM
Mon. June 23	Chemistry 30 Diploma	Dye	192	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
	Social 10-1/10-2	Crandall	120	08:40 AM - 12:00 PM
Tues. June 24	Science 14/24	Cummins	111	08:40 AM - 12:00 PM
Wed. June 25	Social 20-1/20-2	Crandall	193	08:40 AM - 12:00 PM
	Social 20-2 (Career High)	Weststrate	Office	08:40 AM-12:00 PM
Thurs. June 26	Make-Up Exams			08:40 AM - 12:00 PM

NOTES

1. Last day of regular classes for grades 9-12 is Thurs, June 19th.
2. Students writing diploma exams MUST remain in the room for at least one hour.
3. Students should bring other study materials or reading books to exams.
4. Phones must be left in lockers or shut off and placed at the table up front.

Room locations may change without notice.



JUNE 5TH

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12:00–1:00 P.M

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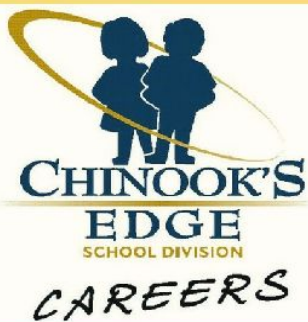
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