



# Fernie Secondary School

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## Upcoming Events

**June 25 – Report Cards**  
**Organized pick-up times will be emailed to parents**

### **June 26 - FSS 2020 Graduation**

After much planning and revising, Fernie Secondary has developed a plan that will celebrate our graduating class and maintain the safety of all students.

- **Commencement Ceremony in the school gym at 11:00 am on Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup>.**
- The only attendees for this ceremony will be the graduating students and event organizers
- There will be less than 50 people in the gym at all times.
- We will have a full commencement ceremony that will be livestreamed (details and platform to follow)
- Each student will remain a minimum of 2 meters distance between one another and we will manage a staggered entrance and exit.

### Principal's message:

It is hard to believe that the school year is wrapping up. As I reflect on the past year, there have been many changes during this school year.

In spite of the changes we have experienced, our focus has remained on student learning in conjunction with the safety and well-being of our students.

'**PRIDE Code of Conduct**' has been a continued focus for our school and learning. Students have taken leadership roles and have taught lessons to the student body on **purpose, respect, integrity, dedication** and **empathy**. It is clear that these qualities are as important as ever. Many of our students have truly learned the value of maintaining a clear purpose and remaining dedicated to their learning and their personal goals throughout the remote learning model we are experiencing.

'**Core Competencies**' are the Thinking, Communication and Personal and Social Skills that students need in order to engage in deep, lifelong learning. These Core Competencies are critical skills for success. Students in grades 7, 8 and 9 have completed self-assessments of their Core Competencies for the past two years and will have the opportunity to self-assess again for this term. I encourage parents to have conversations about the importance of these Core Competencies. Please check out <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/competencies> for more information.

Mr. Baty has been dedicated to assembling our school yearbook and it reflects the many positive events we were able to organize this year. The yearbook is a great reflection of all the positive contributions students have made this year. The last day to purchase a yearbook is June 19, 2020. Some of the highlights for this year include sports' tournaments our teams attended or hosted for volleyball and basketball. Student Council and the Rainbow Club also planned many activities to promote a positive and inclusive school community here at Fernie Secondary.

Special '**Thank You**' to all students, staff, coaches, parents and community members who volunteer many extra hours to make it all possible.

To those of you graduating and leaving Fernie Secondary, I hope the past six years have been enjoyable, and filled with learning and growth. You have received an education that will enable you to pursue your dreams. Thank you for your leadership and contributions to Fernie Secondary School, and I wish you the very best of luck in your future endeavors!

To everyone else, have a splendid summer break!

Erin Hay, Principal FSS/KDS



*Special 'Thank You' to staff that will be leaving us at the end of June:*

*Mr. Biafore*

*Mrs. Christenson*

*Ms. Evoy*

*Mr. Gulyas*

*Ms. Murphy*

*Ms. Riehl*



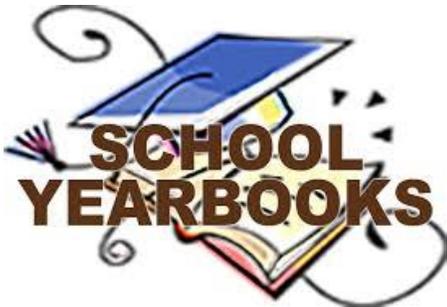
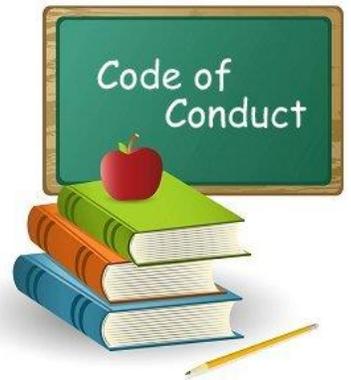
**Congratulations!**

**Class of  
2020**

*We are happy to be able to celebrate our graduates this year!*

## FERNIE SECONDARY 'CODE of CONDUCT'

I would also like to take this opportunity to remind parents of the **FSS PRIDE Code of Conduct**. Recognizing that we still have work to do with promoting positive behaviors in school, the staff of FSS is committed to taking time to teach students the behaviors that are expected at FSS. We are also committed to not only correcting students' poor choices, but also celebrating the good behavioral choices that the majority of our students are making every day.



### **FSS Yearbooks**

**\*\* Please note last day to purchase a yearbook will be June 19, 2020 \*\***

2019-2020 Yearbooks are available for purchase.

The cost is \$45.00 for the first 100 sold and then the price goes up to \$55.00.

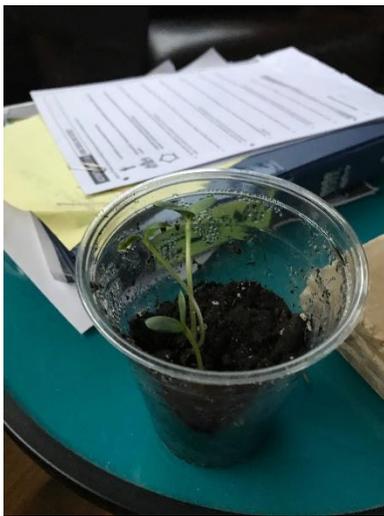
Price for International Students is \$65.00 (includes shipping).



**Online payment is available for both Yearbook and Cafeteria cards**

Cafeteria Cards are available for purchase at the main office...

# Grade 8 Create - Sunflower Project



**Creating** is an important aspect of **wellness**. Our grade 8 students were given the opportunity to create a Sunflower from a seed, look after it and track its growth.

**Fun fact:** *Sunflowers turn their heads to find the sunshine.*

Our hope was to inspire our students to always look for the sunshine even on the cloudiest of days.