



DUCHESNE HIGH SCHOOL

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Hello all,

It's survey time again. Trust me when I say, I appreciate how much surveys can be a pain. Every time I take my car to be serviced, my inbox gets flooded with requests for me to complete a survey. And those aren't the worst. When I order from Imo's I get a questionnaire asking me about my experience. What is there to say, really? The most frustrating request comes from my Weather Channel App. Every two months or so I'll get a pop up window asking me: "Do you love this app?" I know I run the risk of sounding like a horrible curmudgeon, but my response is always: "What does it mean to **love** an app?"

I really do hope that the survey we are asking you to complete is different. As part of our ongoing self assessments, we need to regularly ask our stakeholders for their feedback. I sent out a similar survey in the Fall of 2022, but refrained from doing so again in the Spring and Fall of '23 to avoid survey fatigue. I knew we were asking many questions in relation to our strategic plan and didn't want to burden you. That said, it has been a while since we have asked for comprehensive feedback on the work we are doing at Duchesne.

The survey comes to you from Cognia, our accrediting body. For those of you who are not aware, all schools go through a process of accreditation that lets the broader public know that the school is doing what they say they are doing. For our friends in the public schools that accrediting body is the State Department of Education. Private schools need to find companies that do that type of work. For us, its Cognia. I like to use their surveys because they nicely align to the standards I need to address when I write my accreditation report in a few years.

Please take 10-15 minutes to complete the survey linked here: [Survey](#). Your feedback in vital to help us understand ourselves and how we can better serve you and your children.

Pax,

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Announcements

May 11

Baseball District (BMAC), Soccer District (Orchard Farm)

May 14

Baccalaureate Mass: The Baccalaureate Mass is the last mass the seniors will celebrate as a class. It is also the kick-off to graduation week. The mass will be held at St. Peter Church in St. Charles. It will start at 6:00. We will have an awards ceremony immediately following mass. Doors will open at 5:30

May 15

Graduation Practice: All graduates need to be in the PAC by 9:45 a.m. for graduation practice. We will not start practice until everyone gets to school.



May 16

Senior Sunset: At the beginning of the year, many of our seniors met prior to the first day of school to watch the sunrise. On the evening prior to graduation, they will gather to watch the sun set. It should be a wonderful evening.

Graduation: The ceremony begins at 6:00. Graduates should arrive to school and be in the PAC by 5:30. The doors to the Ted Yeater Athletic Center will also open at 5:00 for the friends and families of our graduates. Each graduate will get 8 tickets (4 preferred seating, 4 general admission) to the ceremony at graduation practice on the 15th. If families would like more tickets, please let us know. For more details on graduation, please see the email from Mrs. Turner