

Dear Grade 12 Graduate:

On behalf of the Ministry of Education and the Government of Saskatchewan, I want to congratulate you on your 2021 high school graduation.

Finishing high school is an achievement to be celebrated in any year. This has been a challenging school year during an unprecedented time, as the COVID-19 pandemic has impacted students in Saskatchewan. While your last year of high school may not have happened as you envisioned, you persevered and you should be pleased.

Your Grade 12 graduation is a symbol of all your hard work and will open doors to many opportunities. I am sure this is just one of many impressive accomplishments you will achieve in your life. Your future may take you in any number of directions. You might pursue post-secondary education or career training, or perhaps you will choose to go straight into the workforce. While your path may lead to other provinces and countries, I hope you choose to build a life in Saskatchewan. As a resident of this province, you also may qualify for the Saskatchewan Advantage Scholarship, which will cover a portion of your tuition if you enrol at a Saskatchewan post-secondary institution that is recognized for Canada-Saskatchewan student loans. You can visit www.saskatchewan.ca to learn more about all the advantages available to you in this province.

As you mark a significant moment in your life, I encourage you to reflect on the family, friends and educators who have helped you along the way. I hope you are able to safely celebrate this occasion with some of your loved ones.

I wish you success, happiness and health as you go forward on this journey. Again, congratulations on your Grade 12 graduation.

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