

To the Families of our 2018 Graduates:

We are excited to be a part of the ever popular and highly entertaining annual **OKM graduating class Variety Show and Silent Auction on Feb 27th, 2018**. This is the main fundraising event for the Dry Grad event in June. Although the grade 12 students do much of the work organizing the entertainment, a committee of grad parents runs the main fund-raiser of the evening – the Silent Auction. The committee has already been working hard to obtain donations but we need your help to make this a successful event.

What You Can do to Help:

1. First and foremost – **plan to attend the Variety Show and Silent Auction!** Enjoy the show and plan to bid on items in the Auction. Please put the date in your calendar now.
2. We are asking families and students who have businesses to please offer a financial contribution or a donation in kind towards the Silent Auction. Similarly, if you have connections in the business community, to please approach these businesses and inquire about contributing silent auction items - a letter you can use for as a request to businesses is provided on the website as well. Donations can be dropped off at the school office or you can email OKMsilentauction2018@gmail.com and we will arrange a pick up. More information on the Silent Auction:
 - a. All businesses who donate will be acknowledged at the well-attended event and with a thank you letter they can post at their location
 - b. Past contributions have varied widely, including items like (but not limited to) hockey tickets, restaurant gift certificates, sports attire and equipment, tools, gift baskets, spa packages, and other services, wine and even cash.
 - c. Some donors and families have found it convenient to contribute gift certificates purchased with air miles or credit card points.
 - d. The Committee keeps a list of those asked for donations to avoid duplication.
3. We would also greatly appreciate the **donation of gift baskets** for re-use in packaging the silent auction items. Again – please email us at the above email and we would be happy to pick them up.

Thank you in advance for your donations and support of our 2018 OKM Grads. See you for the exciting show on February 27!

Sincerely,

The Grad 2018 Silent Auction Committee (in conjunction with the 2018 Variety Show)