

SKSS Dry Grad 2026 Info/Transition Meeting



Class of
2026

October 2, 2025

Introductions - Grad 2025 Core Committee

Chair & School Liaison- Genevieve Provencher

Co-Chair- Edi Torrans

Communications Chair/Co-Signer- Lisa Lindner

Treasurer/Co-Signer - Cheryl Betker

Grand March Lead - Christi Jahnke

Dry Grad Lead/Co-Signer - Michelle Van Lear

Fundraising Lead - Brigitte Willman

FB Auction Lead - Erika Feely

50/50 Lead - Stacy Lowrenoff

Devry's (Plants) Lead - Corrie Ross

Agenda

- ❖ What/Where is Grand March?
- ❖ What/Where is Dry Grad?
- ❖ What is the difference between Commencements and Grand March/Dry Grad?
- ❖ What is the role of the Dry Grad Committee?
- ❖ What did the 2025 Committee do?
- ❖ Vacant Positions/volunteer opportunities
- ❖ Next Steps
- ❖ How to contact us/recap

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The BIG Questions....

What are the events?

When are the events?

Who plans and runs which events?

Commencement Ceremony vs. Grand March & Dry

Commencement

June 23, 2026

School Organized

Location: TBA

Staff/Student Banquet

Baby Photo Slideshow

Grad Cap & Gown

Formal Photos & Retakes

Communication: SKSS

NOT PARENTS!

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Grand March & Dry Grad Party

June 6, 2026

Parent Organized

At TK'emlups Arbour &

Colombo Lodge

Presentation of Grads with Escorts,
Dance & Party

Communication

SKSS Dry Grad Email

What is a Grand March?

- ❖ Formal event (prom dresses & tuxedos/suits) celebrating the students graduation from high school
- ❖ DATE: June 6, 2026 at the TK'emlups Arbour - BEFORE the Dry Grad party
- ❖ DJ plays music and an Emcee introduces each grad and their escort
- ❖ Traditionally, this ceremony marked the grads entry into adult society, recognizing them as adults in our community
- ❖ All are welcome - no limit of guests for the Arbour event - no bad seats!
- ❖ No extra charge - covered by fundraising
- ❖ Ends with the grads and their dates/guests dancing in centre of the Arbour



What is “Dry Grad”?

- Grads celebrating, with their classmates and dates, completing their secondary schooling in a safe, supervised, drug and alcohol free space
- A late-night event that includes a sit down dinner (in their prom wear), many activities and entertainment
- Volunteer parents plan, organize and supervise this event
- DATE: June 6, 2026 at Colombo Hall



Dry Grad Event Location

- ❖ **Saturday, June 6th** - Dry Grad event/party is AFTER the Grand March
- ❖ **Colombo Lodge** - 814 Lorne St, Kamloops



Role of the Dry Grad Committee

Plan/Organize/Lead Grand March and Dry Grad:

- Parent support is **essential- YOU are the KEY!**
- There's a **role for everyone-** many hands make light work!
- Help **organize/plan** the **Grand March** and **Dry Grad-** This is a **HUGE milestone. Celebrate** and be a part of something special!!!!
- Build **community, relationships** and keep **parents** and **grads** **informed** and **connected**

Volunteer Opportunities

Chair & Co-chair

Treasurer & Co-Signers* (*usually other leads)

Communications (Lead & Volunteers)

Grand March (Lead & Volunteers)

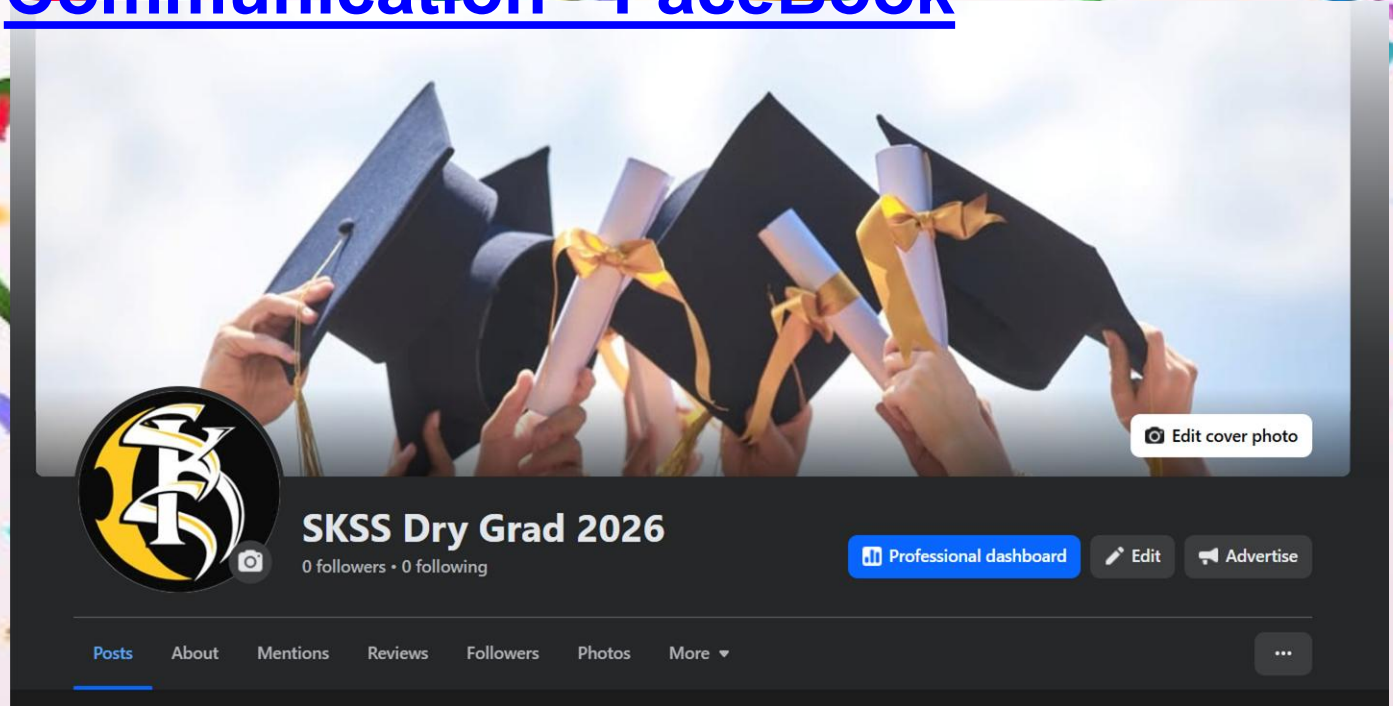
Dry Grad Event/Party Planners (Lead & Volunteers)

Dry Grad Event/Party Decorating (Lead & Volunteers)

Fundraising (Lead & Volunteers)

Communication - FaceBook

Link to SKSS
Dry Grad
2026
FaceBook
page



Communication - Instagram

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COMMENCEMENT

June 7th 2025
Mac Island Arena
Staff/Student Buffet
Grad photos + retakes
SCHOOL organized
Communication: VP Lana Blais


COMMENCEMENTS
VS
DRY GRAD + GRAND
MARCH

June 14th, 2025
Tk'emlúps Arbour &
Colombo Lodge
PARENT organized
Communicate via
SKSS Dry Grad Email
Dry Grad Google Classroom
Dry Grad 2025 Facebook



GRAND MARCH + DRY GRAD

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SKSS Dry Grad 2025

16 posts 130 followers 68 following

Celebrating SKSS 2025 Dry Grad and keeping everyone in the loop!
Classroom code: epruqkr
Email : southkamloopsdrygrad@gmail.com
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Following Message +



The grid contains several promotional posters for the SKSS Dry Grad 2025 event. Key details include: 'Last Day to Buy Tickets!', 'Regular Ticket Sales May 10th-23rd \$160 for Grads, \$185 Guests', 'Saturday, June 14th 6pm-12:30am at the Colombo Lodge', '6-6:45pm Back-in-the-Late-Entry 7:30pm Drive-In 8pm-12:15pm DJ!', '10:30pm Snacks!', '12:15-12:45pm Photo Booth & Pick-up', and 'Must have a ride home!'. Other posters mention 'HEY Mr DJ!!', 'GRADS! Your DJ is making a playlist for Dry Grad, what do you want to hear? June 14th 6pm-12:30am', and 'EARLY BIRD SALE - ONE DAY LEFT!'.

Communication - Google Classroom

Google
Classroom
Invitation



Class code
a2clsafe

Announce something to your class

Upcoming
No work due in soon
View all

SKSS DryGrad
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WELCOME PARENTS TO THE SKSS DRY GRAD 20256 CLASSROOM!!



Welcome 1.gif

[Google Form Link](#)



SIGN UP

Grad 2026 Parent & Student Contact Information

Please provide your name and most current email so that you can be contacted for any and all info about the fundraising events and the main events for Grad 2026. PLEASE FILL THIS IN, ONLY ONE for each Grad. If more than one parent/guardian, add all emails you wish to be contacted at.

* Indicates required question

[Google Form Link](#)

Volunteer

Dry Grad 2026 Parent Volunteer Sign Up Information

Please provide your name, cell number and most current email so that you can be contacted for any and all info about the fundraising and/or main events you are interested in helping out with. PLEASE FILL THIS IN ONLY ONCE.

* Indicates required question

Next Steps

Transition Meeting:

- 2025 Committee will coordinate a transition meeting with new committee members
 - Signing Authority
 - SKSS Dry Grad Account Access
 - Questions/Support
 - What worked well/lessons learned

Reminders

- Fill out Google Class Forms
- Share our in-box with parents and grads:
southkamloopsdrygrad@gmail.com
- Please volunteer and attend meetings hosted by your 2026 committee to remain informed
- Have fun, this is a HUGE celebration!!!!



**THANK YOU
FOR ATTENDING**