

# GRAD



Parent Meeting October 2



# Introductions

## South Kamloops Secondary:

★ Lana Blais - Vice Principal [lblais@sd73.bc.ca](mailto:lblais@sd73.bc.ca)

## Dry Grad 2025 Committee:

★ Genevieve, Corrie, Lisa, Michelle, Kristi, Brigitte, Cheryl

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Hello

# Commencement Schedule

Tuesday, June 23, 2026

Location TBD

Rehearsal around 11:30am

- School busses to arena \*students must take the bus if they are attending classes on campus

Banquet around 5:30pm

- arrive with grad gowns, etc

Commencements at 7pm

Tickets - TBD



# The two sides of grad

## Commencements

Organized by School - Lana Blais contact

Tuesday, June 23, 7pm

Banquet with Staff and Grads

Cap and Gown Ceremony

\$TBD Grad Fee - payable on School Cash



## Dry Grad/Prom/Grand March

### Field Trip AP 260 section 7.2

Organized by Dry Grad Parent Committee

\*\*Currently booked at the Tk'emlups Powwow Arbour for Grand March and Colombo Lodge for Prom and Dry Grad on June 6 \*\* - this can be changed by 2026 Parent Committee

Separate Fee from School

Fundraising what is allowed vs not allowed  
What is already planned



# Right Now Tasks

## Baby Photos

Send 1 photo to [lblais@sd73.bc.ca](mailto:lblais@sd73.bc.ca)

Image file name should be `lastname_firstname.jpg`

Image should be at minimum 500px by 500px

## [Grad Forms - important for food allergies](#)

By January 13th

## [Grad Gown Order Forms](#)

By January 13th

## Grad Hoodies

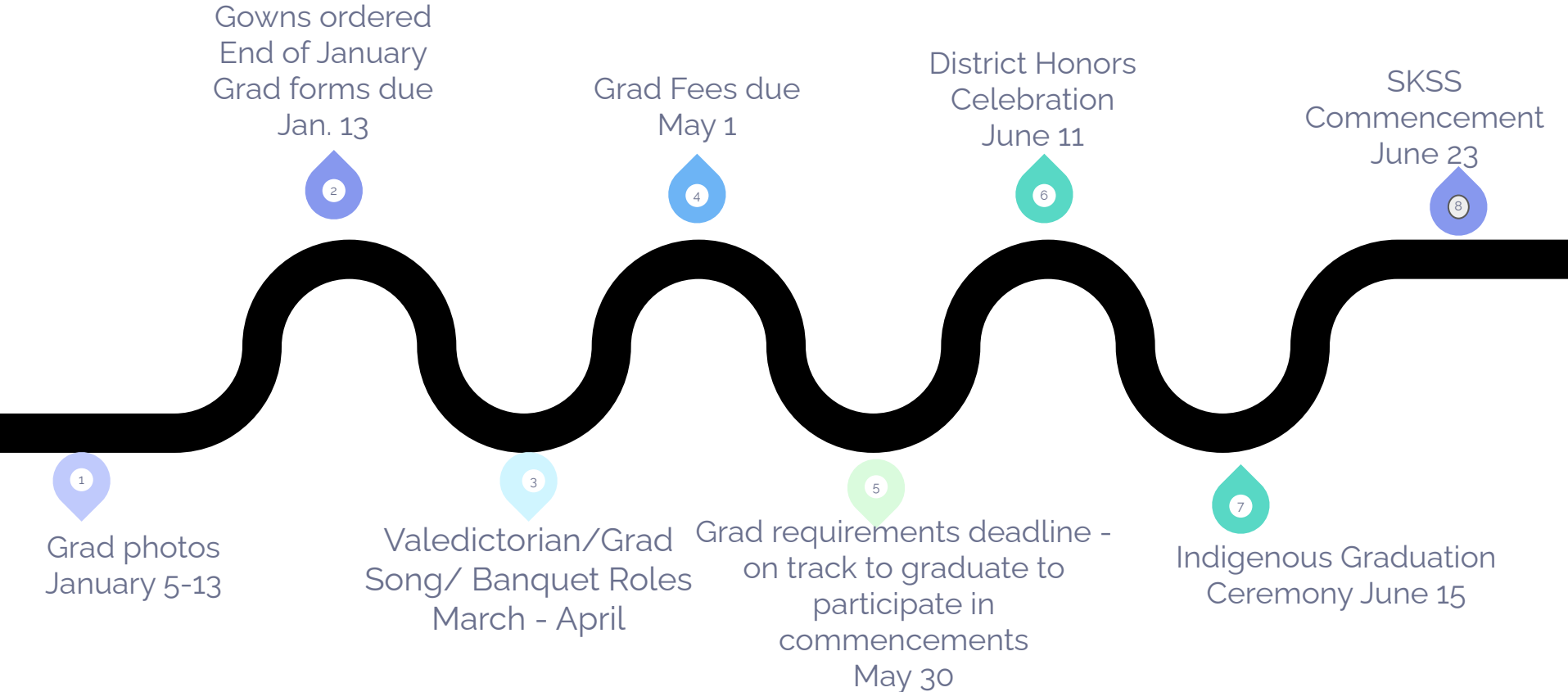
Orders coming soon

## Grad 2026 Google Classroom

Code: **4yoc7d7q**

For students only - parents will get updates only if the student signs-up

# Timeline



# Grad Photos

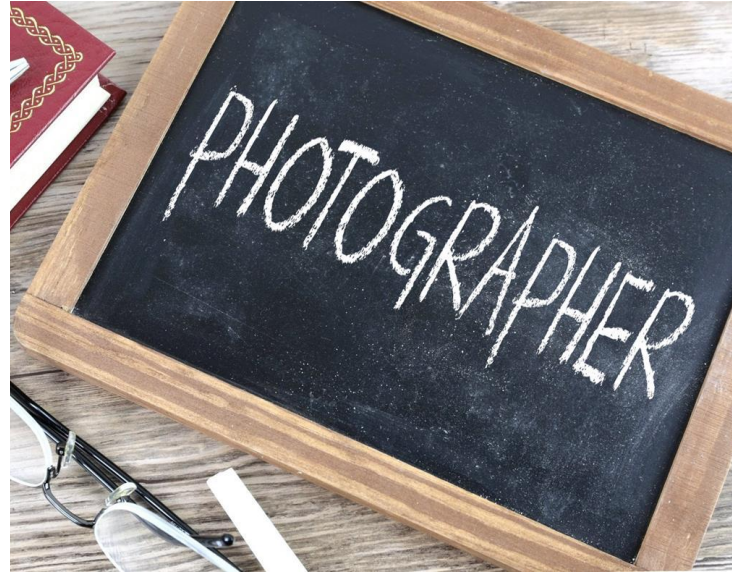
**January 5 - 13**

*(Not over the weekend)*

Sign-ups via PTCFast

Retakes February 17

(possibly Feb. 18 if needed)



**Sitting Fee is \$40** Paid directly to photographer - 12 poses

Online ordering will be possible but there is a 10% surcharge

\*\*ALL grads must be photographed for the yearbook/commencement ceremony

\*\*If not planning to purchase photos can be photographed for free - only 4 poses

# Early Grad and Off-Campus Grads

## STAY CONNECTED!

Talk to friends, check the [SKSS website](#), pay attention to the Grad 2026 Google Classroom

You can still vote for valedictorian, grad song, etc

Watch out for [scholarship deadlines](#)

Check in with your counsellor about Gold Cord if you think you may have met the criteria

# GOLD CORD

it is all grads (including off campus) responsibility to check the Gold Cord list in the spring if they feel they may have met the criteria:

- SKSS honour roll every term in grades 8-12
  - academic with effort, or distinction with effort, for grades 8 - 9
  - academic or distinction honor roll grades 10 -12



# GRAD REQUIREMENTS

80 credits (20 classes)

- 16 credits (4 classes) at the grade 12 level
- 28 elective credits (7 classes)
- 52 required credits:
  - CLE and CLC
  - PE 10
  - Science 10 + 1 Science 11 or 12 course
  - Socials 10 + 1 Socials 11 or 12 course
  - Math 10 + 1 Math 11 or 12 course
  - English 10, 11, and 12
  - Art or ADST 10, 11, or 12
- Literacy 10, Numeracy 10, and Literacy 12 assessment

## Additional French Immersion Dual Dogwood

- FRAL 10, 11, 12
- Sciences 10
- Sciences Humaines 10 & 11
- oral and written Évaluation de littératie de la 12<sup>e</sup> année



# VALEDICTORIAN

- Multiple teacher and peer endorsements
- Other criteria (academic standing - distinction honor roll, no conduct)
- 1 - 2 min. video introducing self and why you would be a good valedictorian posted on Grad Google Classroom
- Anonymous vote
- 2 Valedictorians - create 1 speech together
- Nominations will occur in second semester



# GRAD SCAV and other non-sanctioned events

Grad Scav - late June

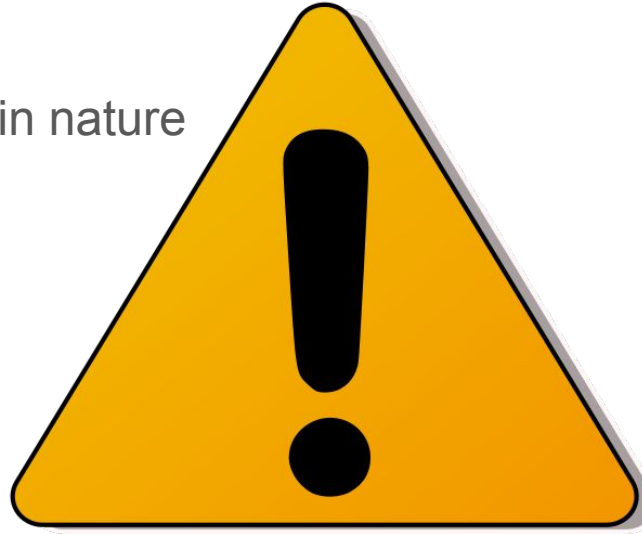
- Some tasks could be criminal in nature

Grad Campout - late June

Torch Holder - late June

Police Aware

Party Safety



**\*\*No issues past 3 years - please have conversations with your grads about being safe and making good decisions when celebrating with their friends**

# Dry Grad Positions and Responsibilities

Thank you to our GRAD 2025 Committee for joining us!

**IMPORTANT!** Please fill out this form for Dry Grad and Grand March - only fill out once per grad! <https://forms.gle/H3haJy2sgVe2wYy56>

SKSS Dry Grad 2026 Facebook page already set

Parent Dry Grad Google Classroom CODE **a2clsafe** \*\* this is not connected to the school

## Grad 2026 Dry Grad Parent Committee:

Thank you for stepping up! Kristin W and Allie T to co-chair, Brooke K for treasure, Charlotte B for Grand March, Angela K & Stacey L for Fundraising, Kim F for decorating, Erin G & Josh P for dry grad, Tanya P & Bryce P for communications!



# Dry Grad Fundraising already in place for you!

<https://skss.growingsmilesfundraising.com/home>

Order deadline is Nov. 12

Order pick-up - connect with the school - Nov. 28

We are lucky to have been given a \$500 bonus already!!



# THANK YOU!

Lana Blais, Vice Principal

Connect with me:

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Stay updated:

[SKSS Webpage](#) - Parents and students

[GRAD 2026 Google Classroom](#) (code:**4yoc7d7q**) - Students

