

Kamloops School of the Arts

Grad 2026 Parent Meeting

October 16, 2025

Welcome!

This is what we want to share with you:

- Roles and Responsibilities
- Involvement
- Grad Requirements
- Entrance Bursaries/Scholarships
- Websites to KNOW
- Timeline
- Grad Parent Committee and Communication
- Questions

Roles and Responsibilities

School Run Grad

- Grad Photos
- Caps and Gowns
- Grads Art Sharing
- Grad Parade in the school
- Slideshow - baby photos
- Dinner banquet and Commencements
- Photos in the TRU garden



Roles and Responsibilities

Parent Committee Grad Events

- Fundraising Events
- Prom/Safe Grad



Grad Requirements

80 credits

- 16 grade 12 credits including English and CLC
- Literacy and Numeracy 10 and Literacy 12 assessment
- 28 elective credits
- 52 required credits:
 - CLE and CLC
 - PE 10
 - Science 10 + 1 science 11/12 course
 - Socials 10 + 1 socials 11/12 course
 - Math 10 + 1 math 11/12 course
 - English 10, 11 and 12
 - Arts 10, 11, or 12

Scholarships and Bursaries

Scholarships

- academic performance
- focus on community achievements and contributions

Bursaries

- similar criteria, however they are for those students who have financial need

TRU and SD73 offer scholarships for grade 12 students -
MARCH deadlines
(link send in newsletter)

College and Universities offer information about awards
on their websites with various deadlines

Students opportunity to work on learning how to write
scholarship applications in Careers



Websites to KNOW

[Education Planner](#)

[BC Transcript Service](#)

[My Education BC](#)

[SD73 Scholarships](#)

Student Involvement:

- **Valedictorian, Teacher Tribute, Historian** - Student apply for these roles; they will become available in March / April
- **Arts Sharing & Commencement** - Student may be asked or can inform Mrs. Traudt if they are interested in sharing music, art, drama, dance, or media work; auditions will be necessary in April
- **Grad Theme music/song /colours** - grad student survey to determine theme/song/colors through student grad committee
- **Baby photos for Commencement Slideshow** - more info in future newsletter

What is included in my Grad Fee?

\$250 for Grad Fees is **due Feb 5, 2026** which includes:

- Rental of facility
- The graduate's ticket for dinner
- Group Photo Package
 - 12 poses/proofs per grad
 - 11x14 vinyl diploma folder customized with the school name and logo
 - 11x14 mini composite of the grad class
 - 11x14 group photo from the grad ceremony
 - 1 – 5x7 of them at the grad ceremony
- Decorating for the commencement banquet
- Keepsakes (KSA grad souvenirs)
- Grad Gown Souvenir Package (gown, cap, tassel, V-Stole)

What is NOT included in Grad Fees?

- Optional: Grad Hoodie (\$45)
- 2 Guest tickets for Grad dinner (\$50 each)
- Fees related to Prom or Safe Grad

Timeline

- Gown Sizing and Ordering – **Nov 3-7 at the office**
- Grad Photos – Monday, **January 19, 2026** (after school in 10 min intervals)
- Grad Photo Retakes – **Feb 17-18 (@SKSS)**
- Grad Fees Due – **Feb 5, 2026**
- Grad Requirement Deadlines – **June 1**
- District Aboriginal Grad - **TBA by District**
- Commencement and Dinner at TRU – **Friday, June 12**



Get involved!

Forming a Grad Committee- What is involved?

- Grad Chair
- Decorating
- Fundraising
- Food/Refreshments
- Treasurer
- Booking Events/venues
- Communication/Secretary
- Dry grad



Grad Communication



School:

Grad Newsletters through School Messenger

KSA Website - *Path to Graduation - Grad Newsletters*

Grad Committee:

email - ksagrad2026@gmail.com

Facebook link - search KSA Grad 2026

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/703844479406769>

Notes regarding Parent Grad Committee Meeting



Parent Grad Committee Roles and Tasks:

- Grad Chair — **Rick Woods**
- Decorating
- Fundraising
- Food/Refreshments
- Treasurer - **Peggy Ferguson**
- Booking events and venues
- Communication / Secretary — **Jennifer Foucault @ jenn_foucault@hotmail.com**
- Dry Grad

Priorities

- Booking Venues
- Explore different ideas for fundraising that have worked in the past
- Donations are accepted

NEXT Grad Parent Meeting

**October 30th
6:30pm**

Meeting in the Drama Studio

Park in staff parking lot and enter through back door

All Grad Parents are welcome to attend

If you have questions please email:
ksagrad2026@gmail.com



**Questions
or
comments?**