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SAS Graduation – Fall Updates

Grade 12 students, parents and guardians,

This is our first graduation update for the 2026-2027 school year. You will receive these updates throughout the school year. We also post this information outside the office on our **SAS Grad Bulletin Board**, as well as on our website: <https://sas.sd83.bc.ca/grad/> The intention with these letters is to share updates on SAS Grad.

Let's Talk about Grad Assemblies

Yesterday, we met with our grade 12 students to discuss graduation. We shared information on grad fees, promoted our first grad event (Halloween movie night – Thursday, Oct 29 @ 7:30), unveiling this year's grad clothing opportunities, shared information about our Transcript Verifications/Graduation Checks process in November, reminded grads that now is the time for post-secondary admissions, and let them know grad photos will take place in early December.

Graduation Events, Ceremony and Fees

SAS staff look after the Graduation Ceremony and various Graduation Events throughout the year. We host an outdoor Graduation Ceremony here at SAS, under large tents, overlooking beautiful Shuswap Lake. Graduates will be given an alphabetically determined scheduled time for their ceremony, between 10am and 4pm. We will update students and families when the first iteration of this is published.

- Save the date! The SAS Graduation Ceremony is on **Wednesday, June 23**.
- The Graduation Fees of \$175 (*due May 1*) is applied to the following expenses: the Graduation Ceremony, Grad Events, Grad Photo Sitting Fee, Yearbook, Grad Gown Rentals, Keepsake Cap & Tassel, Lanyard, and Composite Folder with the Grad Class Group Photo
- **Grad Fees do not go toward the Dry-Grad Celebration. The Dry-Grad Celebration is 100% fundraised.**

SAS Dry Grad Celebration

Grad parents/guardians work with our Grad Teacher Sponsor and School Administration to plan, organize and run the Dry Grad Celebration.

- The SAS Dry Grad Celebration also takes place on **Wednesday, June 23 (6:30pm – 12am)**.
- We will advertise and host a parent meeting early this winter to solicit volunteers to help with our Dry Grad celebration. Volunteers will be needed for the following committees: Food, Beverages, Security, Decorating & Set-Up, Fundraising, Entertainment, Casino, Take Down & Clean-Up.

Sincerely,

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