



CLASS OF 2026 - GRAD UPDATES

Guide to all Class of 2026 Graduation Events

Please refer to this newsletter for all the important information regarding the upcoming graduation events. This guide will be updated regularly over the next few months, so be sure to check it frequently for any questions you might have.

Graduation Photos

We're excited to share that all graduation photo sessions have now been completed. If your student was unable to attend the scheduled photo days and you would still like to have graduation portraits taken, Artona is happy to help.

You can book an appointment at another Artona studio location by contacting Artona to set up an appointment.

If you've had your grad photos taken with a different studio please let the office know.

Grad Friendship/Group Photos

March 3-4, 2026 at Johnston Heights Secondary School located in the Cafeteria

How to book an appointment:

Please visit our website <https://artona.com/bookings> to book a session! Please visit [Artona Grad Groups Photos](#) for more information about this event!

If you have any questions, please speak to our Customer Service Team:

<https://artona.com/contact-us>

A graphic with a dark blue background featuring several black graduation caps and gold confetti. A large yellow rounded rectangle in the center contains the text "COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY INFORMATION" in bold, black, serif capital letters.

COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY INFORMATION

Commencement Ceremony

Event Information

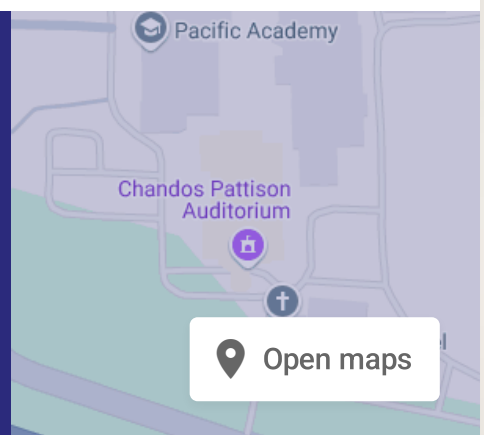
Commencement Ceremony

When?

Thursday, May 21, 2026, 06:30 PM

Where?

**Chandos Pattison Auditorium, 168 Street, Surrey, BC,
Canada**



Commencement Ceremony

Graduates will proudly walk across the stage in traditional cap and gown to receive their certificates. Only students in good standing are eligible to participate. Those facing challenges with attendance, academics, or behavior may have additional conditions set by their Vice Principal.

Tickets

Each student will receive four complimentary tickets for family members. These tickets will be distributed on Gown Pickup Day, Thursday, May 14th. Graduates do not need a ticket.

Additional tickets will be available for purchase starting May 15th at \$5 each (cash only), with a maximum of 3 extra tickets per family. Tickets will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis.

Each graduate's **Commencement Fee of \$50 must be paid prior** to receiving their allotted tickets. This fee covers all costs associated with the Commencement Ceremony at Chandos Pattison Auditorium; for example, all caps and gowns, flowers and décor, trophies and plaques, venue rental, etc.

Payment can be made in person or online:

- In person at Johnston Heights | cash or cheque at the office | make cheques payable to Johnston Heights Secondary
- Online at surreyschools.schoolcashonline.com | debit or credit | register for an account to pay all fees

We kindly request that any student in financial need please contact their counsellor.

Grad Cap and Gown

Students were asked their height by their homeroom teachers and gowns were ordered based on their height.

Please email champion_j@surreyschools.ca if you have any questions.

Cap and Gown Pick Up - Thursday May 14th

Students can collect their pre-ordered cap and gown immediately following the Grad assembly on May 14th.

Students with **outstanding fees** must settle their balance in cash or by check at the office before collecting their cap and gown.

Each student must personally pick up their own gown. Gowns will not be given to friends or family members.

Commencement Ceremony Commentary

Personal remarks will be announced as each student crosses the Commencement Stage.

Please complete the [commencement comment form](#). Comments must be submitted by **Thursday, April 16th**.

Remember, these remarks will be read aloud for everyone to hear during the formal ceremony.



A large graphic with a dark background, featuring several glowing yellow Christmas ornaments hanging from the top. The text "DINNER AND DANCE" is written in large, bold, yellow, sans-serif capital letters. Below it, the word "INFORMATION" is written in the same style. There are horizontal light streaks on either side of the text.

DINNER AND DANCE INFORMATION

Red Carpet Gala

Location: Johnston Heights

Time: 3:45pm to 4:45pm

The Red Carpet Gala on Sunday, May 24 is a **free event for friends and families** to see the graduates in their formal attire, take photos with peers and props and enjoy each other's company before the Dinner Dance.



The event lasts from 3:45pm until 4:45pm when guests attending the Dinner-Dance will depart for Newlands Golf and Country Club.

Dinner and Dance

Event Information

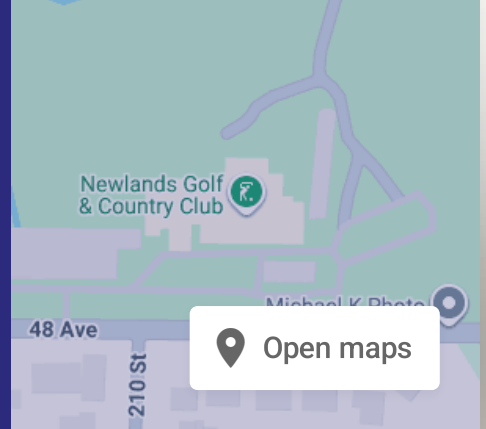
Grad 2026 Dinner and Dance

When?

Sunday, May 24, 2026, 06:00 PM

Where?

**Newlands Golf & Country Club, 48 Avenue, Langley, BC,
Canada**



We are excited to celebrate our graduates on May 24th! The Dinner & Dance is a formal event, featuring a dinner followed by dancing, and will be held at Newlands Golf & Country Club.

Transportation:

- All students will be transported both ways by school-arranged transport, which is included in the ticket price.

Schedule:

- **6:00 PM:** Reception
- **6:30 PM:** Group Photo
- **7:00 PM:** Dinner is served
- **8:00 PM:** Dessert is served
- **10:45 PM:** Dance ends

*Note: Timing may be adjusted depending on Dry Grad plans.

Important Information:

- Students who are on academic probation or found in violation of the Code of Conduct may not be allowed to attend some or all grad activities.

Tickets:

- Tickets for this event are \$125 each and are available now. Payment can be made in person or online:
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 - **Online:** At surreyschools.schoolcashonline.com (debit or credit)

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Deadline:

- The deadline to purchase tickets is May 1st at 3 PM. This date is **FIRM!** Tickets will not be sold after May 1st.

Please note that no refunds will be processed after March 13th.



JOHNSTON HEIGHTS
GRAD

DINNER & DANCE



SUNDAY MAY 24 2026

4:00PM

ARRIVE AT THE SCHOOL FOR THE RED CARPET GALA

Contribution: \$125/person

Guests

Reminder that guests will not be included in our graduation dinner/dance or dry grad events this year.

Table Seating Selection

Please check here soon for more information.

Dry Grad - after Dinner/Dance

Event Information

Dry Grad

When?

Sunday, May 24, 2026, 11:00 PM

Where?

Johnston Heights Secondary School, 99 Avenue, Surrey, BC, Canada

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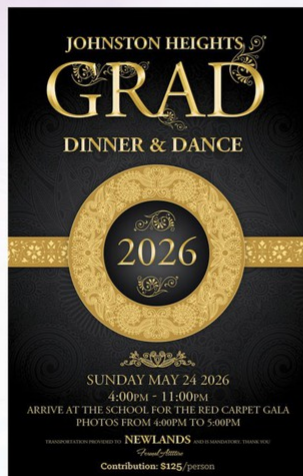
DRY GRAD

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PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS TO GRAD & DRY GRAD



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BY MARCH 09TH

RULES: PURCHASE BOTH BY THE DATE AND MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN

Our parent-run Dry Grad Committee is diligently planning an alcohol-free and substance-free event that will take place immediately after the Grad Dinner & Dance, continuing into the early hours of the morning. This event will be held at Johnston Heights Secondary. If you're interested in joining the committee and helping to organize this exciting celebration, please email us at jhgrad2025@gmail.com.

Next Dry Grad Meeting

- **Date:** March 10th
- **Time:** 6:30 PM
- **Location:** Learning Commons

Dry Grad Tickets

Tickets are available until May 16th and will not be sold at the door. Prices will increase as the event approaches, so purchase early to get the best rate:

- September to March 15: \$75
- March 16 to April 30: \$99
- May 1 to May 8 : \$120

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Upcoming Dry Grad Fundraisers

JOHNSTON HEIGHTS DRY GRAD
BOTTLE
DRIVE

DROP-OFF DATES
MARCH
8TH
12PM - 2PM

DROP-OFF LOCATION:
JOHNSTON HEIGHTS
SECONDARY
FRONT OF SCHOOL

HELP OUR
GRADE 12'S
HAVE AN
AWESOME DRY
GRAD

*We'll take care
of everything
just come see us,
and we'll handle
the rest!*

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**Johnston Heights Secondary
NEUFELD FARMS FUNDRAISER**

Orders In By: March 30 2026, end of day
Pick up: April 2nd 2026, 2:30 pm



<https://app.neufeldfarms.ca/fundraising/2026-johnston-heights-secondary>

Dry Grad Donation Requests

As we prepare to celebrate our amazing graduating class, we are excited to share that plans are underway for this year's Dry Grad celebration. We have a fun, safe, and memorable event planned to give our grads one last opportunity to celebrate together.

To make this event truly special, we are reaching out to our parent community for support. Attached, you will find a donation request letter. We kindly ask that you help by distributing this letter to local businesses, family contacts, or community members who may be willing to contribute through monetary donations, gift cards, prizes, or services.

Community support plays a huge role in making Dry Grad a success. Every donation—big or small—helps us create a safe and unforgettable evening for our graduates.

If you have any questions or would like to assist further, please don't hesitate to reach out. Thank you in advance for your time, generosity, and continued support of our grads.



What about my Change of Clothes?

Dry Grad Change of Clothing Drop-Off:

- **When:** Friday, May 22, 2:00 - 3:00 PM (**firm time**)
- **Where:** Learning Commons
- **Instructions:** Bring clothes in a clear garbage bag, labeled with your first and last name.



Safe Schools Liaisons will search bags at drop-off.

Garment Bag Drop-Off:

- **When:** Sunday, May 24, 4:00 PM
- **Where:** Johnston Heights, Learning Commons
- **Instructions:** Bring an empty, labeled garment bag for your gown, tux, dress, shoes, etc. Bags will be searched by the Dry Grad Parent Committee on Sunday evening.



**IMPORTANT
MESSAGE!!!**

Please note the following important points regarding the upcoming events. As these are school-sponsored activities, all school rules will be enforced, along with Ministry, District, and School-based policies.

We take great pride in the cooperative and respectful behavior of our students. Our goal is to ensure that all students and parents/guardians experience a safe, positive, and substance-free graduation. We will meet with our graduating students to review our expectations, ensuring that nothing detracts from the success of these events and the pride everyone will feel.

Additionally, while graduation celebrations are taking place, it is important to remember that actual graduation depends on your dedication to your studies throughout the semester. All students must remain focused on their studies until the end of June.

In conclusion, we extend our heartfelt congratulations to the Johnston Heights graduating class of 2026. We look forward to recognizing and celebrating your many accomplishments. For more information, please visit our school website or contact us at 604-581-5500.

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