

ENVER CREEK SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents or Guardians of a Grade 12 Student:

Congratulations, soon your child will be graduating from Enver Creek Secondary School. Here at Enver Creek, we want all our students not only to be successful in their studies, but also to have an enjoyable and safe graduation. We hope that through this letter, and with your assistance, we can ensure that your child has a terrific and memorable graduation experience. This newsletter includes important information to help both parents and students plan these significant events. Please read this newsletter carefully so that you do not miss essential information.

Semester 2 is a very exciting and somewhat anxious time for our Grade 12 students. They are busy making decisions about post-secondary plans that include education, careers, and vocations. In addition, they are concentrating on successfully completing grade 12, applying for scholarships and participating in graduation activities. So often, during the latter months of the year, grade 12 students get caught up in the excitement of the upcoming celebrations involving graduation. Their focus and energy can shift from what is most important: their academic success and social and emotional wellbeing. We are soliciting your help in reminding your child of the need to remain focused at this time of year. As a staff, we want our graduating class to embrace the experience and to enjoy every event, but we also want to remind them to continue to strive for success in the classroom and our school. The events of the last few months of the school year can make extra demands on their time, making it easy to become distracted. With your support and encouragement, we can keep our graduates working hard so that they can be proud of their academic and personal accomplishments. We are expecting the class of 2024 to continue to build on the tradition of strong academic success and a caring, supportive community that is Enver Creek Secondary. If parents have any concerns, they should contact their students' teachers, counsellor, or administrators.

There are three school-sanctioned events that are planned for the remainder of this year:

- Commencement Ceremony for graduates and families on June 9th
- Parent Tea for grads and parents/guardians on June 25th
- Grad Dinner Dance for grads and approved guests on June 25th

Students are reminded that all school rules apply.

We would like to make you aware that there are non-sanctioned events that your child may like to participate in. We often hear about camping trips, parties, or trips to vacation spots like Whistler, particularly around the May long weekend, which are not sanctioned by the school. Our goal of safety for all our students may be compromised when these events occur. If you are uncertain about whether an activity is sanctioned by the school or not, please call our counsellors or administrators.

We want your child to remember these experiences for the rest of their lives. We wish your child a very safe and successful end to the school year. Please take a moment to share with your child your expectations and family values for these upcoming grad events. If you have any questions or concerns about this information, please contact me at the school.

Most importantly, we want your child, an Enver Creek Grad of 2025, to honour their success while we all bask in their pride of a job well done.

Yours truly,

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Alysha Tessier, Principal



GRAD 2025 IMPORTANT DATES

April 1 Valedictorian applications available

April 2 Gr. 12 Assembly #1 Blk. A

April 8 Gr. 12 ICBC Guest Speaker Kevin Brooks Blk. D

April 11 Valedictorian applications due

April 16 Grade 12 Parent Night: 6:00pm, theatre

Dry Grad ticket sales open by email/etransfer: ecgrad2025@gmail.com In person sales: TBA

\$80.00

April 25 Valedictorian finalists contacted

April 30 Gr. 12 Assembly #2 Blk. B

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May 5 Valedictorian announced

Dinner dance ticket sales open online: \$140.00

May 8 Capstone Interviews (graduation requirement)

1:45pm-3:00pm large gym

May 27-29 Dinner Dance Table Selection

June 6 Gr. 12 Assembly #3: Commencement Rehearsal Block D

(Gown and ticket distribution following the rehearsal)

June 9 Commencement: 6:00pm Bell Centre

(Grads need to be there at 5:15pm)

June 25 Parent/Staff Tea: 3:30-4:15pm at Enver

Dinner Dance: 5:30-11:00pm Tsawwassen Springs Golf Course

(Student transportation provided)
Dry Grad: 11:45pm Enver Creek

(Student transportation to Dry Grad provided)

Commencement

Monday June 9th, 2025 Bell Centre for the Performing Arts 6250 144 Street, Surrey Grads arrive at 5:15pm Ceremony Begins PROMPTLY at 6:00pm

This ceremony is a once-in-a-lifetime event. Many Enver Creek staff have volunteered their time to make this night memorable for our grads and their families. Appropriate dress and behavior are required. Guests are asked to remain seated for the entire proceedings. Guests are asked not to bring air horns or any disruptive noise maker as this will be disrespectable to all in the attendance as well as those who have worked hard in planning this special event. Guests disrupting our Commencement ceremony will be asked to leave by auditorium personnel. Lastly, this event may not be suitable for very young children who cannot sit quietly for long periods of time. Your cooperation in making this a memorable event is appreciated.

Grads should arrive at the Bell Centre for the Performing Arts at 5:15pm sharp and proceed to the small gym. Please keep in mind there will be no place for Grads to store purses, coats etc. during the Commencement.

Commencement Tickets:

Each graduate will receive 3 complementary tickets. *Graduates themselves do not need a commencement ticket*. Tickets will be handed out to students at the Commencement rehearsal on June 6th.

The night of Commencement, Bell Centre staff will set up a standby line and do their best to seat as many guests without tickets as they can. However, to accommodate guests without tickets who are unable to be seated in the theatre, there will be an overflow seating area set up in the lobby. A large 80" monitor will broadcast live what is happening onstage. Guests in the overflow area will be allowed to go into the theatre for 5 minutes to watch their graduate cross the stage and to take photos.

There is also a live stream of the Commencement Ceremony available for those that are unable to attend in person. Once the livestream link is released we will send it out.

Commencement Rehearsal Assembly:

All grads must attend the Commencement Rehearsal Assembly scheduled for 1:30pm on Friday, June 6th in the Enver Creek gymnasium. Following the assembly, students will receive their cap, tassle, stole, gown and tickets. Grads may keep their gown, cap and tassle as a souvenir. Stoles will be returned as grads leave the stage after Commencement. The night of Commencement a photographer will take a photo of each graduate, and the photo will be given to each student before the end of June.

Parking

Parking is limited at the Bell Centre. Please carpool or get dropped off if possible. Please plan accordingly and be on time so you get a parking space.

We look forward to sharing this celebration with you.

We hope Commencement will be an event that honours the hard work and achievement of your graduating student.

Parent/Staff Tea

Wednesday, June 25th, 2025 3:30pm-4:15pm Enver Creek

Prior to the Dinner Dance, June 25th, 3:30pm in the Enver gym.

This is an opportunity for parents, staff and grads to celebrate together and take pictures prior to the grads leaving for dinner dance. Refreshments and snacks will be provided. *This is also when a parent/guardian or adult family member is required to sign their grad in for the evening and the bus ride.* Invitations will be in each grads Commencement Diploma folder given to them at the Commencement Ceremony.

Please do not have Grads drive themselves to Enver on the night of Dinner Dance. Grads will need a parent/guardian to drop them off and pick them up. We do not want grads driving as we are trying to have the safest option for our Grads. No party buses, limos etc. will be permitted in the school parking lot. Our school parking lot will be locked once all our Grads are picked up at the end of the evening.

Grad Dinner and Dance

Wednesday, June 25th, 2025 Tsawwassen Springs Arrival: 5:30pm Departure at 11:00pm

Dinner Dance Ticket Sales:

Dinner Dance tickets will be on sale online from May 5th to May 30th. All tickets are to be purchased through School Cash online. If you are not already set up on School Cash online, you will need to do so following the instruction sheet attached. These instructions can also be translated to different languages on our website surreyschools.ca/envercreek – Resources – Pay Fees. If you have any concerns or questions, please contact the office at 604-543-8149.

Ticket prices are \$140.00 for students. Tickets will be distributed to students in their TAG class on June 18th, 2025.

**please note: if the student has any outstanding fees, they will not be able to purchase a Dinner Dance ticket until these are paid. All outstanding fees are listed on the student's School Cash Online account.

<u>Dinner Dance Ticket Sales Instructions: (to be completed before buying tickets)</u>

- ➤ Choose one person from your table to be the Table Lead. The Table Lead will collect the names of the students who wish to be at one table. This Table Lead will need to ensure that all students in the group have paid for their tickets on School Cash Online.
- ➤ The Table Lead will fill out a Group Table Form with the names of each student they wish have seated at one table. This form will be available at the office and on Teams one week before ticket sales start.
- There can be a maximum of ten people at one table. If your table is less than ten people, you will be combined with another table. In order to secure your table and the people you are sitting with; it is strongly recommended that you choose as close to ten people as possible. Table groups with

- 10 people will be given priority to choose your table location. Note that only your table will be reserved for you where you sit at the table will be first-come, first-served. There will be a Table Set up chart posted at the office to help you select your table number preference.
- ➤ We will be accepting completed Group Table forms (ensuring all students listed on the form have fully paid for their tickets) in the conference room by the office during lunch from May 27th May 29th. Only the Table Lead is asked to come to the conference room to submit the form and complete their table choice.

Dinner Dance and Transportation:

On June 25th all students attending the dinner dance will be boarding a chartered bus and transported to Tsawwassen Springs Golf Course. All students <u>must</u> be present at the school to board the assigned bus. Students will <u>not</u> be permitted access to the dinner dance if they arrive via their own transportation. The schedule for June 25th is as follows:

4:00 pm - all students are at the school, signed in by a guardian, ready to load onto the busses

4:15pm - parents leave and students are organized for the bus

4:45 pm - students loaded onto the busses

5:00 pm - all buses leave Enver Creek

5:30 pm - arrive at Tsawwassen Springs

11:00 pm – all students will be loaded onto buses for transportation to Enver Creek. Students are to be picked up by parents/guardians at Enver Creek at approx. midnight if not attending Dry Grad or at 4:00am if attending Dry Grad.

Dry Grad

Wednesday June 25th/Thursday June 26th, 2025 11:45pm-4:00am Enver Creek Secondary

The Dry Grad committee is a dedicated group of parents committed to organizing and raising funds towards a safe, fun, and drug and alcohol-free celebration for our graduating students. This event takes place after the Grad Dinner and Dance. It is fully parent organized, run, and chaperoned. It is the <u>only</u> after grad event officially supported by Enver Creek. We encourage all our grads attend!

This year's Dry Grad will be at Enver Creek Secondary: 14505 84th Avenue, Surrey.

Tickets:

- Tickets are \$80.00 per student
- Sales begin April 16th, 2025
- Tickets can be purchased:
 - In person by cash or cheque. Dates TBA.
 - By email/e-transfer: ecgrad2025@gmail.com
- Receipts will be issued to each student upon purchase.

Activities Included:

- DJ and LED Dance Floor
- Lounge Area
- Casino
- Photobooth
- Arcade Games
- Games and Prizes
- Food and Beverages

Transportation and Supervision:

- All grads will be transported by charter bus directly from Grad Dinner and Dance to Dry Grad.
- Parents/guardians are responsible for picking up their children at the end of the event (4:00am).
- For safety reasons, there will be no in and out privileges. Grads must be signed out by a parent/guardian.

What to Wear and Bring:

- Grads are encouraged to wear comfortable clothing and shoes for Dry Grad.
- Students must drop off a change of clothing (shoes and clothes only, no valuables) <u>before</u> the event drop off date to be announced.
- All bags will be searched by Safe School Liaisons before the event.
- Change rooms and coat check will be available at the school for students to store their formalwear for the night.

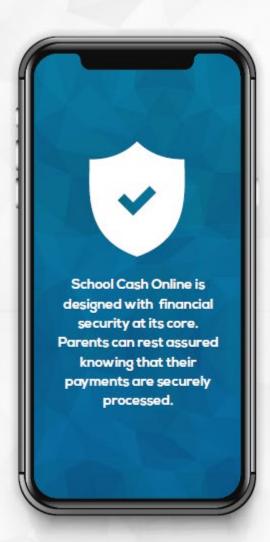
Contact:

- Dry Grad email: <u>ecgrad2025@gmail.com</u>
- WhatsApp (scan QR code below)



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School Cash Online allows parents to easily make online payments for the school fees available to their children.

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- Stay connected and informed of all school activities
- Never miss out on field trips, school events. yearbooks and more
- Say hello to smart online forms, and goodbye to cumbersome paper based forms for data submissions

How to Register

Follow these instructions to create your School Cash Online account today.

- 1 Create Your Profile:
 - Go to your School's Website and click on the Parents tab, and select Pay Fees Online from the drop down menu. and click on "Register".
- 2
 - Confirm Your Email:

Check your inbox for the email confirmation and click on the link inside. Sign in with your new login details.

- 3
 - Add a Student

Click "Add Student" and fill in the required fields with your child's details.



