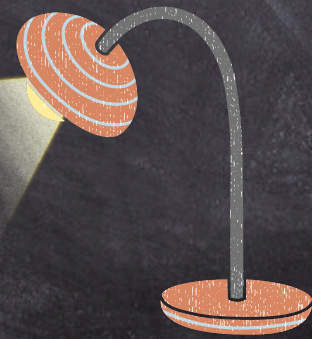


SULLIVAN HEIGHTS 2026 GRAD NEWSLETTER



Words of Gratitude

As our Grads of 2026 embark on their final months of high school, we would like to take this opportunity to thank the parents, guardians, and other caregivers for the work you have done to get your children to this point. It hasn't always been easy, but the current grad class have been a pleasure to work with and we know that this is a reflection of the efforts you have made at home and the values you modelled for them.

This newsletter is a final overview of what the next three months will look like for our graduates and their families. Please take the time to read this, print this and talk to your children about this. If you have any questions, please email sullivanheights@surreyschools.ca.

Looking forward to a semester of hard work, positive vibes and a Spring of celebrations,

Nik Kirincic, Principal



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SULLIVAN HEIGHTS

WHERE STARS SHINE BRIGHT

GRAD DINNER & DANCE

May 29, 3:30pm

With gowns and suits ordered, hair, makeup and nails booked, the Grad Dinner & Dance is set to be a night to be remembered. Here are some details you will need to know:

- Families and Grads should arrive at Sullivan Heights by 3:30pm. Parents will need to sign their grads in at that time. There will be opportunities for friends and families to take pictures and for parents to reconnect and talk about how much they have grown since kindergarten.
- Buses will take all grads to Newlands Golf & Country Club where they will have dinner and dance (thus the name) until 11pm.
- Students who are going to Dry Grad will travel by coach buses.
- Students not participating in Dry Grad will need an adult to sign them out and pick them up from Newlands at 11pm. Students will not be allowed to drive home, even with permission.
- Due to the size of our grad class, there will be no guest tickets available. Although this can be disappointing for some grads, our large grad class puts the venue at capacity.
- This probably doesn't need to be said, but the whole evening is a drug and alcohol free event and students who don't abide by this will be sent home. Please speak to your children about your expectations prior to the event.
- Tickets are \$135 on School Cash Online from April 20 - May 11. The ticket price includes the event, bus transportation and photo keepsakes.



Dry Grad

May 30, 12am

Dry Grad is an event run by our parent community as an extension to the Grad Dinner & Dance. This group of volunteers has been working since last year, organizing and fundraising to create a safe and memorable evening. We thank them on behalf of the Sullivan community.

Details:

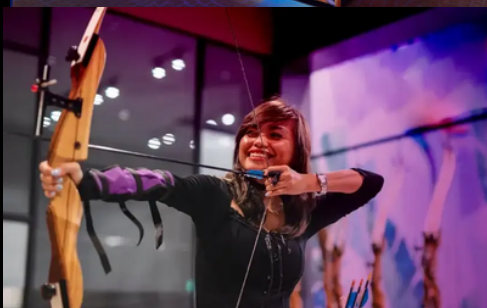
From Newlands, Grads will be brought to the Dry Grad, at The Rec Room in Burnaby. The evening will involve games, music, magic and a hypnotist show.

At 4am, the event ends and students will need an adult to sign them out. Students will not be able to drive themselves or friends home.

Tickets:

Tickets are available now. To buy tickets, [click here](#). Tickets are \$140 until May 4th and \$150 until May 10th.

Questions?: Contact Drygrad@sullivanstarspac.ca



Commencement

June 10, 6pm

It feels like the end, but commencement actually means the beginning. The beginning of what comes after thirteen years of a regular routine with familiar faces. We invite you to join us at our Bell Centre for an evening of celebrating our grads. Here is what you need to know:

Tickets:

- On May 6th, two tickets will be distributed to each participating graduate. Graduates do not need a ticket.
- Additional tickets are not guaranteed, and will be subject to availability. Extra tickets will be requested through a form that will come with the original tickets. Requests must be handed into the office by May 8th in order to be included in the draw on May 11th.
- Tickets are not seat specific and can't be replaced if lost. The doors of the theatre will open at 5:30pm.

Gowns and Oher Details:

- Students have submitted gown sizing. These gowns will be delivered to students on June 10th. These gowns are the students' to keep, so family photos can be done either before or after the ceremony, or on a day where you can get your family together.
- Graduates must attend a rehearsal on June 10th, at 11:30am in the Bell Centre.

Photos:

- Artona will be backstage taking a grad picture for each of our grads. These will be provided to families at no charge.

Other Important Items

Scholarships:

As an extension of our Commencement Ceremony, we host a Scholarship Tea to bring together Scholarship donors and recipients. The tea will be hosted on June 17th.

If you, or your company is interested in creating a scholarship, please reach out to Ms. Racanelli.

Attendance down the stretch:

Some Grade 12 students historically see a drop in attendance in their final semester. At a school with 2100+ students, this concern is amplified.

Please monitor your child's attendance and use whatever leverage you have to keep them in classes.

Grad Crimes:

Not the best way to end a newsletter packed with positivity, but in the past few years, Surrey schools, including our school, have been significantly damaged by Surrey students in the last days of the year. Previously called grad pranks, the real cost to taxpayers and the loss in learning because of the damage has shifted the language to grad crimes. To protect our schools, please reach out if you hear your kids discussing these crimes. Most damage is happening the day before the last day of classes, so please also pay particular attention to where your kids are on those evenings.