

Sardis Grad Events

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GRADS—Important Dates

Event	Cost	Date	Time	Tickets available on QuickPay	Location
Grad Cruise	\$150	May 15	4:00-11:30 pm	March 1 – April 30	Harbour Cruises, Vancouver
Awards Night	-	June 3	6:00 pm	-	Sardis Secondary
Commencement	\$100	June 12	5:00 pm (Grads) 6:00 pm (Guests)	Feb 1 – May 31	Chilliwack Coliseum
Banquet/Dance	\$130	June 25	5:00-10:00 pm	April 1 – June 14	Clarion Hotel, Abbotsford
Dry Grad	\$70	June 25	11:00pm-5:00am	Feb 1 – May 31	Landing Sports Centre, Chilliwack

GRAD CRUISE

Grads are invited to the Grad Cruise aboard the MV Britannia to enjoy stunning views of Vancouver Harbour, Granville Island, False Creek and more. Guests are welcome, and guest applications can be picked up at the Office. A Chicken dinner will be served. Those with food allergies should contact the office.

AWARDS NIGHT

Students can pick up their awards night invitations at the **Falcon's Nest on May 28 and 29**. The awards recognize academic excellence, involvement, and leadership in co-curricular activities. **Award winners will receive two guest tickets.**

GRAD GOWN DISTRIBUTION

Grads pick up their Grad Gowns June 10 in the Pit @ 2:45

COMMENCEMENT REHEARSAL

Students will be bussed to the Coliseum on Jun 12 at 8:35 after Period 1 attendance and return at noon for a grad lunch. There will be no afternoon classes for grads, and attendance is mandatory for all grads attending Commencement.

COMMENCEMENT TICKETS

Grads receive four free tickets for commencement, which are added to their QuickPay accounts. Tickets will be distributed the week of June 5, and any extra tickets should be returned to the office if not needed. Tickets are needed for guests' entry to the Coliseum. Additional tickets can be purchased for \$7 each.

For requests over eight tickets, email sss_finance@sd33.bc.ca. Extra tickets are subject to availability.

COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

Commencement is a formal event, and both students and the audience should behave appropriately. Graduates must remain seated in their gowns and caps from the start to the end of the ceremony. Disruptive behaviors such as using noisemakers, socializing, or leaving for pictures should be avoided. Graduates should wear appropriate attire—black pants, skirts, or dresses, a white dress shirt, and dress shoes—under their gowns, which they will keep along with their caps and stoles. For pictures at the Coliseum, arrive early and take them with your family before the ceremony.

BANQUET AND DANCE

The Banquet & Dance is a formal event with a gourmet buffet dinner, followed by dancing. All school rules apply. Grads must be transported by bus to the Clarion Hotel, as there is no transportation to Dry Grad. School doors open from 3:00 to 4:45 pm, and buses depart for Abbotsford at 4:45 pm. Buses will return to SSS at 8:00, 8:30, 9:00, 9:30, and 10:00 pm.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

If you're interested in volunteering for the Banquet and Dance or Community Dry Grad, please visit our website for more details and to complete the volunteer form: [Grad Parent Volunteer Form](#)

Community Dry Grad is seeking about 140 adult volunteers to help with the event. There's an urgent need for more volunteers. If you're interested in helping, please attend the next meeting on Feb. 13th. For questions, contact Gordon Bennett at gordonbennett@telus.net

Meeting Dates: Jan 7, Mar 4, April 1, May 6, June 3 | 7:00 pm at 45530 Spadina Ave., Clover Room

GRAD BANQUET TABLE SEATING

Submit your table seating online [Banquet Table Seating](#) Form available Mar 1-Jun 14

Each table can have a maximum of 10 people, with no exceptions. List all names on one form, using full names only. The first name on the form will be the contact person for the table. Label any guests by typing "GUEST" after their name. Do not resubmit your table if corrections are needed; the office will handle them. Ensure all table members are confirmed before adding them. To be assigned a table, you must have purchased a ticket online.

GUEST APPLICATIONS

Grads can bring a guest to the Grad Cruise, Banquet, and Dry Grad. For Prom, grads purchase their tickets first, and guests may be considered if space allows. Guest applications are available at the office and must be approved by the administration. Guests must be secondary students from the Chilliwack School District (grades 10-12). Once approved, the guest ticket will be added to the student's account.

DRY GRAD

After the Banquet and Dance, the night continues with Dry Grad, a Chilliwack community event. Tickets are available for Sardis Secondary students and their guests at the school. **NO TICKET SALES AT THE DOOR.** Activities include casino games, character artists, games, bands, food, and drinks. Grads should wear comfortable clothes and shoes for this action-packed event.

All graduation events are drug- and alcohol-free. Students suspected of being under the influence or possessing drugs or alcohol will be denied entry and may face consequences with no refunds. There are no in-and-out privileges; you cannot re-enter once you leave.

For further information, please refer to [Important Dates for Graduation](#)
Tickets can be purchased on [Student QuickPay](#)