

November 17, 2025

Dear Parents of the Carson Graham Graduating Class of 2026,

The holidays are approaching, and as we look ahead to a busy season for many families, I also ask you to look toward the new year and save a very special date in your calendars.

On Wednesday, January 14, the Carson 2026 graduating class will be hosting a "Starry Night Winter Formal" at The Polygon Gallery (101 Carrie Cates Ct, North Vancouver). This is a student-only, staff-chaperoned event. This event is open to Grade 12 Carson Graham students only. The doors will open at 6:30pm and the event will run from 7pm until 10pm. Tickets will be available for purchase for \$80 beginning Monday, November 17 on School Cash Online (https://www.schoolcashonline.com). Ticket sales close on Friday, December 5.

This semi-formal event will include appetizers, desserts, a DJ, dance floor, and photobooth. Our goal is to enable every graduate to attend the winter formal, and we can do that best by keeping ticket prices as low as possible. If any parents are willing to donate funds to help subsidize this event, we would greatly appreciate the support. If you would like to make a donation, please contact our Business Assistant, Jennifer Harman, at jharman@sd44.ca.

The Grad Committee is working diligently to organize this special evening. As in prior years, parent volunteers are helping the Committee plan certain aspects of the event. We will need LOTS of parent volunteers to help with setting up and taking down décor on the day/evening of the event. Please email Tara Sinclair at sinclairtara@shaw.ca to sign up to help.

Another area in which the Grad Committee requires help is gathering décor items. They are looking for anything that could help them create a true "Starry Night" atmosphere for the graduates. Items that could be helpful include white trees, white lights, white tulle or fabric, a photo wall backdrop, stars (of any material), lightshow projectors, artificial snow, small table centrepieces, white tablecloths, etc. They are looking for anything that fits in the theme and in the following colours: white, silver, dark blue, gold. If you have an item to loan or you would like to purchase and donate an item for the event, please send an email including a description and photo of the item(s) to Tara Sinclair at sinclairtara@shaw.ca Please see the second page of this letter for sample décor items that they are seeking. Additionally, if anyone has a connection to a business that provides balloon arrangements, please let Tara know.

I look forward to celebrating this special event with this year's graduating class.

Sincerely.

Kim Jonat Principal

