



**CARSON GRAHAM
SECONDARY**

**April 29th, 2026
Carson Graham Grad Update**

1. Graduation Ceremony and Ticket Sales

Ceremony Date & Time: Monday, June 8th at 7pm

Location: Orpheum Theatre

Grad Arrival: By 6pm (Granville Street entrance, wearing gown, cap, and red sash)

Ticket Information:

- Tickets are available to purchase on [School Cash Online](#) from **May 1st to May 31st**.
- **\$12.00 in advance, and \$15 at the door (from 5:45pm)**
- There is no limit on the number of tickets you can purchase.
- Hard copy ticket pick-up:
 - June 3rd and 4th during tutorial or lunch in front of counselling.
 - Bring printed receipt or a screenshot of the receipt.
- If you have guests that need accessible seating, please contact Ms. Jonat at kjonat@sd44.ca.

Ceremony Information:

- Grads do NOT need a ticket. All guests need a ticket.
- Grads arrives by 6pm to the Granville Street entrance.
- Guests enter off Hamilton Street (main entrance). The lobby opens at 6:15pm, theatre doors open at 6:30pm. Seating is first come first served.
- Latecomers will not be seated until there is a break in the program.
- Program: Welcome, processional, Coast Salish Anthem, O Canada, Governor General award presentation, Principal's address, presentation of graduates & scholarships, musical performance(s), major awards presentations, valedictorian address, recessional.
- This is a formal event. Grads and the audience should dress and conduct themselves in a manner appropriate to the formality of the occasion.
- The ceremony is approximately three hours long.
- A photograph of each grad will be taken by Artona which students will receive in June. Families are welcome to take photos from their seats. Flash photography is not permitted in the theatre.
- Please allow extra travel time, especially as the downtown core will be busier than usual due to the FIFA World Cup this year. (There is no game at BC Place on June 8th)
- At the end of the ceremony, grads keep their gown, red sash, and graduation cap.

If your child is NOT attending the graduation ceremony, please email Principal, Kim Jonat at kjonat@sd44.ca no later than Friday, May 8th.





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2. Graduation Banquet and Ticket Sales

Banquet Date & Time: Monday, June 22nd, 6:00–11:00 PM

Location: Westin Bayshore Hotel

Ticket Information:

- **Tickets are available for purchase through [School Cash Online](#) from May 1st to June 7th.**
- **\$150.00 per person.** There are no restrictions on ticket sales.
- For the grad banquet, all guests (including grads) need a ticket to attend.
- Hard copy ticket pick-up & table selection:
 - June 9th–12th, 3:00 to 4:00 PM (in front of counselling)
 - Students bring receipt (printed or screenshot).
 - Tables are set for 10. Seats will not be added to any tables. Incomplete tables may be collapsed at the discretion of the planning committee.
 - It is best to organize seating and come with all the receipts to choose seats for the entire group. Once seats are chosen it may not be possible to change them.
- Grads may attend with parents/guardians, other family, a guest, or on their own. If your child does not plan to sit with their parents/guests, please have a conversation ahead of time about table seating arrangements.

Banquet Information:

- Doors open at 6pm.
- Group photo by Artona at 6:45pm in the lobby. We ask that guests be at their tables at 6:45pm to allow grads to have their photo taken. Grads will receive a copy of this group photo.
- The event officially begins at 7pm with introductions, followed by dinner, dessert, speeches and dancing.
- Guests who have not cleared security before 6:45pm will be held outside at security until the grad photograph is taken.
- All guests must clear security before entering the event. Once guests leave the security zone for the event they cannot return.
- There is no coat check at this event. Backpacks and other bags are not allowed. We have no safe space to store these, and they are not allowed in the banquet hall as they pose a risk to the serving and hotel staff.
- **This is a dry event for all grads and all guests.** School sponsored grad events are **drug, alcohol, and nicotine free (no alcohol, narcotics, vapour products or tobacco)**. We request the cooperation of grads, guests, and parents in making certain **none are consumed before or during** these events. Anyone doing so will be required to leave the event, will not be allowed to enter the event and **no refund** will be given.
- There are gluten free, vegan, vegetarian, and dairy free options in the buffet.
- **If you or a guest attending has a food allergy, please email me, Ms. Jonat (kjonat@sd44.ca) so I can notify the Bayshore.**





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3. Graduation Ceremony Rehearsal

Date: Tuesday, June 2 (Period 2, large gym)

- Mandatory for all participating grads (even with a study block)
- Cap, gown, and sash distributed after rehearsal
- All school fees must be paid beforehand

4. Scholarship/Bursary Offers

If your student has been offered a scholarship or bursary, please have them report it to **Ms. Liz Thornhill**. We keep a record of the grand total of scholarship and bursary money offered to the graduating class every year which is announced at graduation. Even if your student does not plan to accept a scholarship, please have them report all offers.

Carson scholarships and bursaries are awarded at the graduation ceremony. Students find out at the ceremony if they have won an award.

5. Reminders

a. Fees

All school fees must be paid on [School Cash Online](#) prior to picking up grad gowns. If you have significant financial need, please reach out to Ms. Jonat (kjonat@sd44.ca) or Ms. Harman (jharman@sd44.ca). Please do this as soon as possible and no later than Friday, May 22nd.

b. Official Transcripts & Dogwood Diplomas

Dogwood Diplomas are issued by the Ministry of Education & Childcare in late August/early September. It is mailed to the address we have in MyEd. If your address changes, please contact Carson Graham's office.

Official transcripts can be ordered from the BC Ministry of Education and Childcare using the Student Transcript Site. The school is unable to print official transcripts as these can only be issued by the Ministry. If students wish to have an official copy of their transcript, they must order it to be sent to themselves; it is not automatically sent. For further information please see the [Student Transcript Site](#). To access this site students will need their Personal Education Number, a 9-digit number found on the top of every report card.

c. Capstone Presentations – 1pm to 3pm on Friday, May 22nd. ALL grads, except IB Diploma students, are required to attend.

d. CLC 12 – please make sure your grad is on track! All assignments should now be complete.





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6. Calendar Dates

May 1 st to May 31 st	Grad ceremony ticket sales on School Cash Online
May 1 st to June 7 th	Grad banquet ticket sales on School Cash Online
Friday, May 22 nd	1pm to 3pm, Grade 12 Capstone Project presentations (grad requirement)
Tuesday, June 2 nd	Grad Rehearsal - Period 2 in gym – all grads participating in the ceremony MUST attend even if they have a study block. Distribution of graduation cap, gown, sash at end of the rehearsal
June 3 rd and 4 th	Ceremony ticket pick up tickets during tutorial or lunch in front of counselling.
Monday, June 8 th	Grad Ceremony at Orpheum Theatre, 7:00pm.
June 9 th to 12 th	Banquet ticket pick up and seat selection after school in front of counselling.
Monday, June 22 nd	Grad Banquet at the Westin Bayshore, 7:00pm to 11:00pm (doors at 6:00pm)

