

November 15, 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians of the Graduating Class of 2025,

The holidays are approaching soon, and the countdown to a well-deserved break has begun. During this time of gratitude, rest, and celebration, I ask you to also look towards the new year and save a very special date in your calendars.

On Wednesday, January 15, the Carson Graham 2025 graduating class will be having a "Starry Night Winter Formal" at The Polygon Gallery (101 Carrie Cates Ct, North Vancouver). This is a Carson Grade 12 student-only, staff-chaperoned event. The doors will open at 6:30pm and the event will run from 7pm until 10pm.

Tickets are \$75 and are available for purchase beginning Friday, November 15 on School Cash Online (https://www.schoolcashonline.com). Due to the holidays and the need to give final numbers to the caterer, ticket sales will close on Sunday, December 15.

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

The Grad Committee has worked 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 Susan Gibbons at susan@susangibbons.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" feel for the graduates. Items that could be helpful include white trees, white lights, white tulle or fabric, 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 at item for the event, please send an email including a description and photo of the item(s) to Tara Beatty at tarabeatty@icloud.com. Please see the second page of this letter which contains some sample décor items that they are looking for. Also, if anyone has a connection to a business that provides balloon arrangements, please let either Susan or Tara know.

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

Ms. Kim Jonat Principal







## **Winter Formal Decor Ideas**













