# **Grad Class of 2026**

## Dear Grads and Families of Grads.

This will be an exciting final year for you! You are a part of the largest grad class yet at R.E. Mountain – 650 graduates! We have many things planned and want you to be aware of what to expect and how to get involved. Here is a list of dates for the events scheduled for this year for you to make note of. The Grad Fall Kick-Off event (see below) tickets go on sale starting Wednesday!

## Be in the Know!

- 1. Be sure to check your email!
- 2. Watch for notifications on the Grad 2026 Teams page.
- 3. Join Grad Council be a member to get information and have input! Meetings will take place at lunch on Tuesdays in room 2163.
- 4. Listen for the morning announcements at school!

#### **Grad Fees**

Grad Fees this year are \$65. This is a mandatory fee to participate in events. Please pay this in a timely manner.

#### **Grad Fall Kick-Off Event**

# Friday, September 26th at Newlands Golf & Country Club

Start time: Grads will need to be at the school by 5:00 pm

**End time:** Event ends at 10:00 pm and we will be back at the school at approximately 10:15 pm Tickets will be **on sale Sept.** 3<sup>rd</sup> **to** 10<sup>th</sup> on School Cash Online. The ticket price is \$110. This price includes MANDATORY bus transportation, dinner, unlimited soft drinks, photobooth, DJ and dance. Tickets are not transferable and there are no refunds after Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>. This is a REMSS Grad only event – no guests allowed. Students MUST bring photo ID at the time of check-in. There will be more details about this posted on Teams.

ALL GRADS MUST CHECK-IN AT THE SCHOOL AND RIDE ON THE BUS. STUDENTS MUST RIDE THE BUS BACK TO THE SCHOOL AT 10:00 PM.

# **Grad Hoodie - optional purchase**

If you purchased a hoodie in June, it has arrived! The June order will be handed out on Friday, Sept.  $5^{th}$  both at lunch and after school in room 1159.

The second and <u>final order</u> of hoodies go on sale September 10<sup>th</sup> on School Cash Online. The **deadline to order is October 1**<sup>st</sup>. Details about the hoodies will be on the Grad Team page. Questions- please email <u>jennifer.howard@sd35.bc.ca</u>

# **Grad Yearbook Comments**

#### **Due mid-November**

A separate letter will be emailed with requirements and restrictions. Start thinking about what you might want to say. Stay tuned! Questions – please email Ms. Kang at <a href="mailto:ekang@sd35.bc.ca">ekang@sd35.bc.ca</a>

<u>Grad Photos</u> November 12<sup>th</sup> - 22nd Appointments will be booked online. More details to come. Any questions – please email Ms. Lapierre at <a href="mailto:DLapierre@sd35.bc.ca">DLapierre@sd35.bc.ca</a>

## **Snowball Dance**

# Wednesday, December 10th, 2025

This is a semi-formal dance held in our school's gallery for REMSS grade 11 and 12 students. Tickets will go on sale mid-November. More details to come closer to the event!

## **GRAD ELEMENTARY WALK**

# Willoughby Slope Elementary and Middle schools on Thursday, June 18th

The Grad Walk involves having students dress in full regalia and return to their previous elementary/middle schools to walk through the hallways as they are congratulated by the younger students and their former teachers. The process usually ends with some fun pictures of the Grads on the playground equipment. Students will then walk or be bused back to REMSS.

# Red Carpet Walk and Outdoor Family Event - weather permitting REMSS Friday, June 19th, 2026 3:45 - 4:45 pm

This is a free event that takes place outside if the weather permits. Grads will walk alone, in pairs or small groups along a red carpet while family and friends watch and celebrate our Graduates of 2026. Afterwards people may mingle outside and take pictures. The event will end with one group picture of the grad class before the grads head to security and the bus for their dance.

## **DINNER DANCE**

Aria Convention Centre Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup> 2026 from 6:00-11:00 pm

Approximately \$115.00 per person

Tickets will go on sale in May; details to follow in the spring.

#### **GRAD CEREMONY**

Tuesday, June  $23^{rd}$ , 2026, 5:30 pm

# **Langley Events Centre**

All Grads must complete a brief comment to be read when they cross the stage to get their diploma. The submission form will be shared in the spring. Grads may purchase up to 4 guest tickets. Extra tickets will be allotted in a lottery. Tickets will go on sale in May; details to follow in the spring. All Grads must complete a Grad Gown order form when it is released at the start of semester 2.

There will be a more detailed letter going out to grads and families in the spring explaining the process for the June events.

Kindly,

Ms. Candice Wong On behalf of the Grad Committee