



GRAD 2022 NEWSLETTER

SCHOOL LEAVING CEREMONY

Date: Sunday, May 29, 2022
Location: SFU Convocation Mall
SFU Burnaby Campus
Time: 12:45 pm: All Grads must be on site
2:00 pm: Ceremony commences

Graduates will receive 2 complimentary guest tickets to the event. Complimentary ticket pick-up **from May 11 - May 19 @ lunch in Room A208.**

Additional tickets (4 maximum) may be purchased for \$5 at the school, or online, from **May 4 to 18** and picked up in the Office. **After May 18**, any remaining tickets will be sold first come first serve in the Office for \$5 each.

CEREMONY REHEARSAL & GOWN DISTRIBUTION

Date: Wednesday, May 25, 2022 @ 1:30pm

All students who are attending the School Leaving Ceremonies **must** attend Period 7 and be escorted to large gym for 1:30pm. Students with a study or off-campus block must attend. Gowns will be distributed after the rehearsal.

CEREMONY WRITE-UPS

Ceremony write-ups were due April 1st. If you did not submit one, a generic message (i.e. Congratulations to the Class of 2022) will be read out when you cross the stage. Final deadline to submit your 140-character write-up is Thursday April 28 at 3:30pm.



GRADUATION DINNER & DANCE

Date: Thursday, June 23, 2022
Location: Vancouver Marriott Pinnacle Downtown
1128 West Hastings
Vancouver, BC ☎ 604.639.4070

Itinerary:

5:45 pm Red Carpet Arrival
6:15 pm Grad group photo
6:30 pm Ballroom opens
7:00 pm Welcome & Dinner
8:30 pm - 10:30 pm Dance

The Dinner & Dance is a formal event for **Alpha Grade 12 students only**. Please note the following:

- Student tickets are \$125.00 each and can be paid via School Cash Online.
- Students must be signed in & go through security check to ensure no prohibited items are being brought in.

- Students can be dropped off in front of the hotel by limousines or drivers.
- A room will be provided for coat check/bags and no access to this locked room will be given until the end of the night.
- There will be no in and out privileges during the event.

GRAD GROUP PHOTO

At approximately 6:00 pm, all grads will be directed to a nearby location (to be finalized and shared with parents soon) where our professional photographer will take a class photo. Parents may also take photos, but the photographer's shots take precedence. After the photo, all grads will return to the hotel lobby and enter the dining room. Only ticket holders will proceed to the dining room.

DRY GRAD 2022

The Dry Grad – Dinner/Dance After Party is sponsored by the Alpha Dry Grad Parent Committee and will follow the Dinner and Dance.

Date: Thursday, June 23, 2022

Time: 11:00pm to 3:30am

Location: The Metro Hall
759 Carnarvon St. New Westminster

Cost: \$50 payable through School Cash Online

The Party! What to Expect:

- DJ and Dancing, Casino games, and Photo Booth
- Midnight buffet, Dessert table, and Mocktails
- Chartered bus transportation from:
- Vancouver Marriott Pinnacle Hotel to Metro Club departing approx. 10:30pm
- Metro Club to Alpha Secondary departing approx. 3am
- Multiple random prizes awarded throughout the night

Important Information:

- Dry Grad Party is an optional event and is for Alpha Grade 12 students ONLY (No Guests)
- Students attending Dry Grad **must completed parent signed consent form via School Cash Online** – there will be no late additions to the list of attendees!
- **No consumption of alcohol/drugs BEFORE or DURING the event, strictly enforced**
- No in and out privileges

For more information or questions, please contact:

drygrad.alpha@gmail.com

GRAD EVENTS TIMELINE

DATE	ITEM	COMMENT
May 4 - 18	School Leaving Ceremony tickets available for online purchase	Cash (in Office) or School Cash Online Ceremony \$5
May 4 – June 3	Pick up table request forms for Dinner/Dance from B228 or A208	Tables of 8
April 19 – May 30	Dinner/Dance tickets available for online purchase	Dinner/Dance \$125
May 11 - May 19	Pick up 2 complimentary School Leaving Ceremony tickets in Room A208	
Friday May 13	Grade 12 Assembly (Flex)	Attendance is mandatory
Wed. May 25	Ceremony Rehearsal in Large Gym @ 1:30 (P7) and gown distribution	Attendance is mandatory
Sunday, May 29	Grads arrive and sign in at SFU Convocation Mall by 12:30pm School Leaving Ceremony begins at 2 pm	Students must be in line ready to walk to stage by 1:30pm
	Dry Grad consent forms due	Hand in to PAC Instructions to follow
June 2	Grad Luncheon & Grad Event Period 8 @ Cafeteria	*Form will be posted on Teams for dietary restrictions
Friday, June 3	Deadline to submit Grad Dinner/Dance table requests to Ms. Cawker and Ms. Deacon	
Friday, June 10	Table seating chart posted for Grad Dinner/Dance	
Thurs., June 17	Final table seating chart for Grad Diner/Dance posted	
Thurs., June 23	Grad Dinner/Dance at the Vancouver Marriott Pinnacle Downtown from 6pm to 10:30pm	Please arrive at 5:45 pm for grad group photo
June 23 to June 24	Dry Grad at The Metro	11pm to 3:30 am ADVANCE TICKET PURCHASE REQUIRED!

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The School Leaving Ceremony and the Graduation Dinner/Dance are school sponsored events. The Dry Grad is sponsored by the Parents' Advisory Council. No other events have been planned, supported, or endorsed by École Alpha Secondary School.

SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

The names of scholarships and awards recipients will be printed on an insert that will be distributed with the composites that grads receive when they walk across the stage.

***If you have been offered an additional scholarship, award, and/or bursary, (i.e. Post-secondary Entrance Scholarship) please notify Ms. Gillam by April 29th**

TEXTBOOK RETURNS

Grade 12s are asked to return all textbooks immediately after their courses are completed.

WORK EXPERIENCE COMPLETION

The Ministry of Education will allow students to graduate only after they complete a minimum of 30 or 80 hours of work experience. Please consult with Ms. Gillam or Ms. Lo in the Career Centre to ensure that you have fulfilled these requirements.

*Congratulations, École
Alpha Secondary School
Class of 2022!*

