

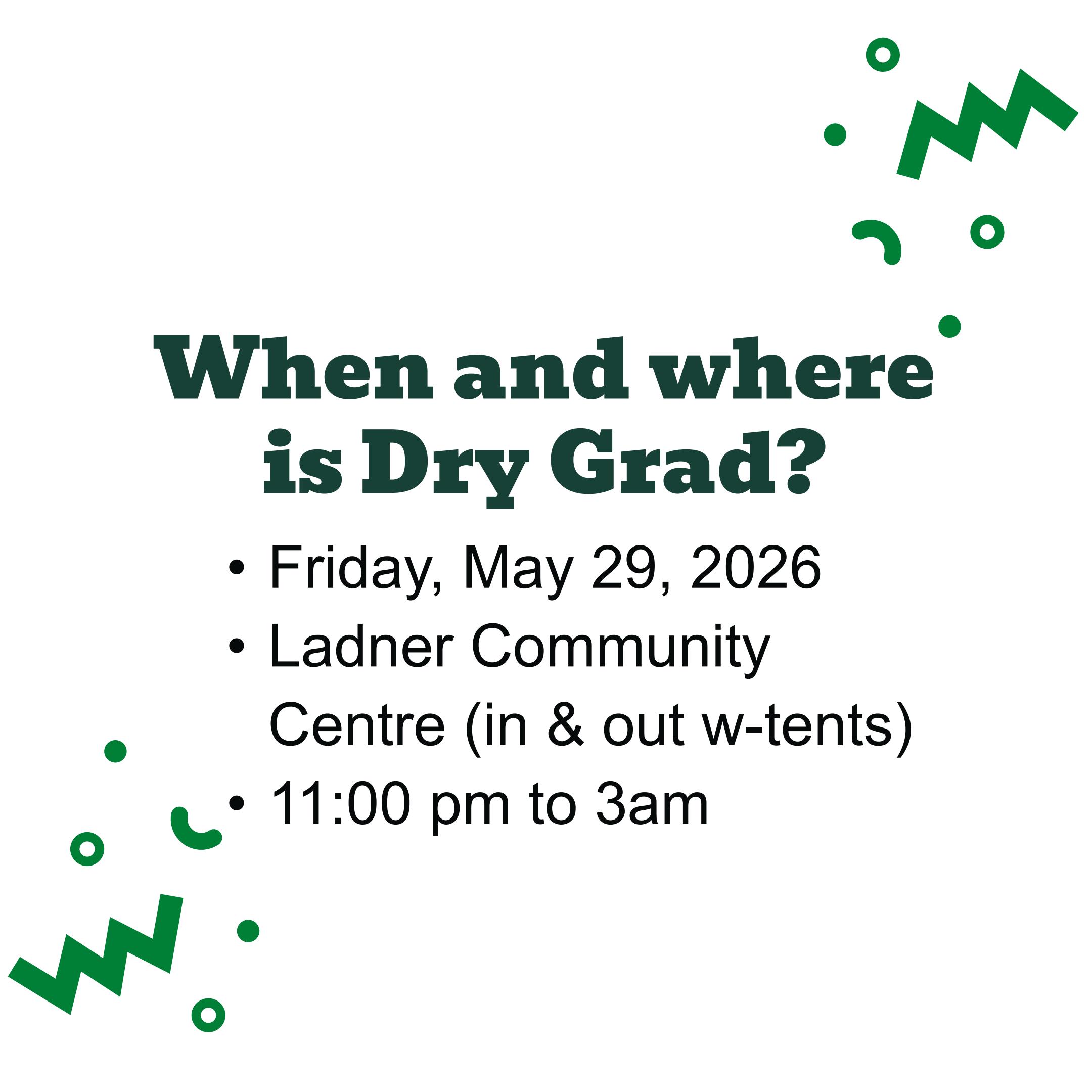


**What is
Dry Grad?**

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Dry Grad is the event that takes place after the formal banquet and dance, and provides DSS students with a safe, drug/alcohol-free venue to continue celebrating their graduation.

The event is fully supervised and is sponsored by parents of the graduating class. Only DSS Graduates attend.



When and where is Dry Grad?

- Friday, May 29, 2026
- Ladner Community
Centre (in & out w-tents)
- 11:00 pm to 3am



Who organizes Dry Grad?

Parents of the graduating class are the primary organizers. The event has several committees



What is Red Carpet?

The moment that the Graduates strut their stuff on the Red Carpet set outside of the School in the parking area prior to heading off for their Dinner/Dance.



When is Red Carpet?

Red Carpet occurs
Friday, May 29, 2026
3:30pm – 5:00pm

Cars begin arriving at 3pm
4:45pm Grad photo
5:00pm family time/photos
5:30pm Grads head to
Dinner/Dance



Who organizes the other Grad events?

Students, teacher advisors, and school administrators are the primary organizers for the formal graduation ceremony.

Cost of DryGrad

Budget - \$55,000 - \$58,000

Students – 234

Total - \$234-\$248 per student

Inflation is real

**Subsidized cost \$175 per student
through fundraising efforts**

We don't want any child missing out
due to financial difficulty, please speak
with the school or Dry Grad chair to
discuss options.

Registration

All Grads need to pre register by May 1st
Early Bird incentive until Feb 27!

Packages available tonight

Print off package from website

If you sent Etransfer with no electronic
application emailed at same time,

- please put a note in re: your
application (at office, being emailed)
- Packages available from office
- Drop off box located at office

Fundraising



Upcoming Fundraising & Events

- Sponsorships – List to Date
- Prizes - For event AND Silent Auction
- Neufeld Farms – Feb 5-23 Feb 28 Delivered
- Niagra Pizza Fundraiser Feb 11th
- Ice Hawks Grad Night Feb 21st
- DQ – Blizzard Cards March 6
- Upcoming:
 - Shred a Thon
- FB Silent Auction
- Barnside DSS Weekend
- 50/50 & Purdy's

Volunteers

Organizing the event takes a lot of work!

Right now – Clean Up chair, Fundraising/Prize team members and Decorating prep/plan team members

Day of volunteers needed soon.

We will need many volunteers to help with set up and take down, as well as during the event. March 1st will make it live

www.dssdrygrad.com

Volunteers Needed

Clean Up

Once the event is over, all the decorations must be put away. This goes much faster with more people! Time commitment: Cleanup starts at 4:00 am on Saturday, May 31, 2025, and usually ends by 8:00 am.

[SIGN UP](#)

Food

Volunteers will assist with preparation, food pick-up and/or food set-up for food and beverages provided during the event.

[SIGN UP](#)

Red Carpet

Volunteers are needed from both Grade 11 and 12 parents. Traditionally, parents of Grade 11 students assist with tasks during the event so that Grade 12 parents can watch their graduates.

[SIGN UP](#)

Decorating

Set up and decoration happens the day BEFORE grad. Some heavy lifting is required. Setup begins at 12:30 pm on Thursday, May 29, 2025 and you can join at any time. We will be there until everything is set up.

[SIGN UP](#)

Fundraising

Volunteers will be needed to coordinate fundraising efforts (see donations), PLUS we need volunteers to help run the fundraising events!

[SIGN UP](#)

Entertainment & Games

Volunteers are needed to supervise the games and events inside the event. There are shifts between the hours of 11:00 pm – 4:00 am on the day of the event.

[SIGN UP](#)

Prizes

We are looking for people to assist with organization and distribution of prizes. There are shifts available between the hours of 11pm – 4am on the day of the event.

[SIGN UP](#)

T-Shirts & Tickets

Assistance is needed to help distribute T-shirts to graduates in the days leading up to graduation, as well as produce tickets for the event and other fundraising needs.

[SIGN UP](#)

Where to sign up

www.dssdrygrad.com



What is Dry Grad

Timeline for the day

Registration

Contact Us

VOLUNTEER

DONATIONS

Volunteer!

As Dry Grad is a parent-sponsored event, it is critical that all parents help out in some capacity to ensure a successful event. There is something for everyone to do – whether it's individual shifts or more involved leadership roles.

The majority of volunteers are parents of the graduating class, but others are welcome to help out as well, especially grade 11 parents as they will want to know how this all works for their grads next year.

You can volunteer by using the "Sign Up" link which takes you to the SignUpGenius website. There is no need to register with SignUpGenius to volunteer.

Thank you!

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Social Media

website

www.dssdrygrad.com

Facebook

@DSSDryGrad

Instagram

@dssdrygrad

Post It

We will post this presentation for those who are not here.

We'll note questions etc. and share details not listed here.

You can contact via email for questions that come up

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Questions ???