

POLICY

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 53
(Okanagan Similkameen)

CELEBRATION OF GRADUATION

Reference: F-4
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The Board of Education believes graduation is an important milestone for young people and, so, authorizes certain activities and events to celebrate that occasion.

REGULATION

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1. Authorized events may include:

- Commencement ceremonies and awards
- Graduation banquets
- Graduation dances
- Dry Graduation

This shared celebration is a tradition endorsed by the Board in recognition of parent and community involvement.

- a) A Dry Grad Committee will be comprised of students, parents, volunteers and, at least, one school-based employee.
- b) The accountability for all Dry Grad funds is a Committee responsibility supported by the services available in the school. There will be at least two signatories to the Dry Grad Account, including a school-based employee with signing authority. Any surplus funds will be expended according to the wishes of that Committee by November 1st of the following school year.
- c) The Committee will outline a plan of intention subject to approval in principle by the Board as per the Field Trip Policy (3 months in advance)
- d) This Committee will provide a plan of activities and events for final approval by the Board before April 30th.
- e) This Committee's plan will include specific details on:
 - location of the Dry Grad activities and events
 - selection and preparation of chaperones
 - checklist of all participants including students and adults
 - emergency procedures for ill or injured participants
 - dealing with inappropriate student conductand, in the case of an out-of-town activity:
 - ensure suitable transportation and accommodation, as required.
- f) The Committee will provide a minimum supervision level of one (1) school-based employee for every sixty (60) students supported by chaperones with a student-adult ratio of ten to one (10-1) as well as meet the Boards requirements for chaperones under the Field Trip policy.