

Parent Handout

KEC Graduating Class of 2026

Tuesday, June 23, 2026 - KEC Safe Grad Dinner and Dance at Club Regent Event Centre is run by a Safe Grad Parent Committee.

Note - Thursday, June 25, 2026 – KEC Convocation at the school. This is run and held by a different committee. The Safe Grad committee is NOT associated with convocation.

Graduate's guest (i.e. "date", "plus one") must be a minimum of 16 years of age and maximum of 20 years of age. Photo ID will be required. This decision was made by the school following guidelines set forth by the Manitoba School Boards Association.

What is SAFE GRAD?

SAFE GRAD is a plan to organize an enjoyable but accident and incident free graduation celebration. The purpose of a SAFE GRAD program is to eliminate accidents, death, and misfortune by promoting safe practices among young persons, so as not to experience difficulty with alcohol and drugs. That safe celebration known as SAFE GRAD, is now widely accepted and is an integral part of graduation in nearly all Manitoba high schools (as per the Manitoba School Board Association Website).

Social Media pages – Follow us on Instagram (kecsafegrad2026) and Facebook (KEC Safe Grad 2026 – Parent Group) pages. We will try to post updates and points of interest for the graduating class of 2026.

Kildonan East School website - on the school website there is a Safe Grad 2026 page that has information for the graduating class of 2026.

Fundraising goals - Our goal is to raise funds to offset costs of the dinner/dance to make ticket prices affordable and help eliminate financial barriers for graduates to attend. We also want participating graduates to have an opportunity to fundraise to offset the cost of their own dinner/dance tickets. Currently, without any fundraising, the anticipated cost per ticket for the dinner/dance is approximately \$130. The more fundraising we do, the lower the price of the tickets will be.

Fundraisers

- ♦ Perogies/Sausage sale. Start date will be Oct 14 and run till Oct 20. And again, Mid-March. (16th-24th.) Graduates will be given \$3.00 per order placed. Remaining funds will be used towards the entire safe grad function.
- ♦ Grad Bingo at Kildonan East 6pm on Friday March 20, 2026 (Tentative date). Bingo will cost \$30 per person and include a book of 10 games. There is a limited number of spots available, as well as a small number of tables that can be reserved for groups of 6, otherwise the event will be general seating. More details will be shared as we get closer to the date. All funds will be used towards the entire safe grad function.
- ♦ Silent auction during the Bingo - we will require assistance with soliciting businesses and gathering prizes.
- ♦ Online auction (50/50 or 60/40) will be held from mid-March to mid-April, with proceeds going towards the entire safe grad function.

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED!!! Safe Grad cannot and will not take place if we do not have enough volunteers. For the Safe Grad event alone, we will require between 20-30 volunteers. Bingo will require approximately 15 volunteers. Please reach out to us using the email below to sign up as a volunteer.

We can always be reached at **kecsafegrad2026@gmail.com**

Thank you

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2026 Safe Grad Parent Committee