

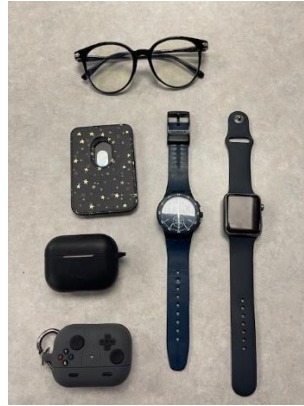


# Port Moody Times

Tuesday  
June 10, 2025  
Day 2

## **LOST & FOUND**

If you have any of these items, please stop by the office to see if it belongs to you.



## **COMMENCEMENT TICKETS ON SALE - May 29<sup>th</sup> - June 16<sup>th</sup>**

Commencement tickets are now available for sale on SchoolCashOnline until June 16<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are \$10 each. They can also be purchased in the office by cash. Graduating students do not need to buy tickets, but all other guests will need to purchase tickets. Tickets will be available at the door the day of Commencement (CASH ONLY).

**REMINDER:** Commencement is on Wednesday June 25<sup>th</sup> at the Orpheum Theatre at 7pm.

## **GR. 12 STUDENTS**

Grade 12 students will be required to clear up all accounts, return all textbooks and library books, return parking passes, and return any borrowed school equipment including team uniforms before they can pick up their Graduation packages on June 18<sup>th</sup>. *Please return all outstanding items and clear up your accounts before June 18<sup>th</sup>* to avoid delays in getting your Graduation packages.

## **COMPASS GRADPASS**

Grade 12 students who did not receive their complimentary COMPASS GRADPASS tickets, please come to the office at lunch or after school to pick them up. Each pass gives you one free day of unlimited travel on bus, SkyTrain, SeaBus and West Coast Express. The Compass GradPasses must be used in conjunction with your valid school ID or government issued photo ID. COMPASS GRADPASSES are valid until June 30.

## **LIBRARY LEARNING COMMONS**

All Library Learning Commons materials are now overdue.

Please check your library account for overdues or fines by visiting our Destiny Discover page

<https://search.follettsoftware.com/metasearch/ui/25004>, logging in using your school district credentials, and clicking on "my stuff".

## **LOCKERS CLEANUP**

A friendly reminder to start cleaning out your lockers. All items must be cleared out by June 19<sup>th</sup>.

## **PARKING PASS**

Please hand in your student parking pass by June 13<sup>th</sup> to avoid a fee to your cash online account.

## **AWARDS CERTIFICATES**

If you were invited to the Awards Celebration last week and missed it, please come by the office during lunch or after school to pick up your sample Award Certificate. The actual Award Certificate will be handed out on June 19<sup>th</sup> during homeroom at the end of block 5. Students will be cleaning out their lockers and returning their locks with the orange tag to their homeroom teacher. If you have purchased a yearbook, it will also be distributed at that time.

## **ARTWORK**

Thank you for sharing your wonderful art - it is time for it to go home now.

Please meet Ms. Gardner at the start of lunch this Wednesday at the displays at the front of the MPR to get your artwork including last year's banners which have now been returned to the school.

If you can not make this Wednesday at lunch, then please see Ms. G at flex Thursday or afterschool Thursday June 12th.

PMSS PRIDE WEEK!	
MONDAY	WEAR SOMETHING RED!
TUESDAY	WEAR SOMETHING ORANGE OR YELLOW!
WEDNESDAY	WEAR SOMETHING GREEN! MAKE PRIDE KEYCHAINS IN THE DRAMA ROOM AT LUNCH!
THURSDAY	WEAR SOMETHING BLUE! COME TO THE DRAMA ROOM AT LUNCH FOR A PRIDE THEMED KAHOOT!
FRIDAY	WEAR SOMETHING PINK OR PURPLE!

**¡VAMOS A COSTA RICA!** We are excited to announce that Port Moody Secondary's Languages Department is planning a trip to Costa Rica for Spring Break of 2026. This trip is open to all current Grade 9-11 students, and is an exciting opportunity to visit a beautiful country, learn, grow, and have fun. Costa Rica boasts beautiful nature, exquisite coastlines, and rich culture. The trip will take us through a cloud forest, up a volcano, through a chocolate farm, and straight to the best surfing waves. Students will experience travel without their families in a safe and structured setting, and will have the opportunity for fun and learning both academically and for life. The trip will span 10 days and 9 nights, and the cost, which covers everything including airfare, food, and hotels, is \$4,405 if you pay the \$499 deposit by June 13<sup>th</sup> through School Cash Online. For more information and updates, join our Teams through the QR code. Contact Sara Whittaker at [swhittaker@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:swhittaker@sd43.bc.ca) if you have further questions, or want an application form. We hope to see you in Costa Rica next year!

WE'RE GOING TO

Costa Rica

Join the Team through the QR code below and stay in the loop on all the latest updates about the trip!

JOIN US!

TRIP INFO:

FROM: PMSS Modern Languages Department

DATES: March 16-25, 2026

WE'LL SEE: A volcano, a waterfall garden, hanging bridges, a chocolate farm, and MORE...

Get your application in to P4 by June 7<sup>th</sup>

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**JOURNALISM CLUB**

Are you interested in reading the works of your peers? Learn and engage in various topics you love - or maybe learn something new! Check out our website, where you can interact with articles already published by club members.  
Website link: <https://surl.li/jgchuy>  
If you're interested in writing your own work, visit us in Room 217 on Thursdays, Bi-Weekly @ Lunch!

**TUTORING CLUB IS BACK!**

Looking for some help with your classes? The student tutors at the Tutoring Club would love to help. We are available Tuesdays and Thursdays during lunch, Block 5 and after school. Lunchtime tutoring sessions take place in room 311, and Block 5/after school sessions are in the Youth Worker room—directly across from the Library Learning Commons. It’s a drop-in program, you don’t need to sign-up for tutoring! If you’re interested in being a tutor, please see Ms. Nembhard in the office.

**IMPORTANT GRAD DATES**

May 29 <sup>th</sup> – June 16 <sup>th</sup>	Commencement Tickets on sale – online, or see Ms. Tetengco in the office
June 18 <sup>th</sup>	Mandatory – Grad Assembly/ Cap & Gown pickup
June 21 <sup>st</sup>	Grad Dinner/ Dance – Pinnacle Harbourfront Vancouver Hotel
June 21 <sup>st</sup> /22 <sup>nd</sup>	After Grad following Grad Dinner
June 25 <sup>th</sup>	Commencement Ceremony at the Orpheum Theatre in Vancouver @ 7pm



**ONGOING**

**MORNING STUDENT DROP OFF**

This is a reminder to parents and students that drop-off and pick-up is to take place only in the lower parking lot - regardless of time of day or weather conditions. If you are dropping off for an early morning class or team practice, please do so in the lower parking lot.

**PMSS TIMES:** The PMSS Times will be distributed on *Tuesdays* and *Thursdays*. Announcements will not be read over the PA. You will find copies of the PMSS Times outside the office, in the Cafeteria under the clock, and outside the Library Learning Commons.

**TRANSLINK**

- As Translink is increasingly busy, please keep the following in mind when you are taking public transit.
- Be mindful of where you are standing when the bus is coming to a stop. Moving away from the curb allows the driver to pull in safely.
  - Remember that other students want to get on the bus. Pushing your way to the front of the line makes everything slower for everyone.
  - With construction, the bus stop locations have changed. Check the signs or your app carefully to make sure that you’re at the right bus stop.
  - Other bus riders may not want to hear your conversation—keep the volume down.
  - You might miss the bus, or it might be full. Another one will be along soon.
  - If you see something unusual when you’re on public transit, report it to a uniformed attendant, or text 87.77.77

We all need to work together to make a transit system that it safe for everyone!

## STUDENT INFORMATION VERIFICATION FORMS

This is a reminder for parents/ guardians to log onto their MyEd parent portal to view their student information verification form. If any changes are to be made, please make corrections on a printed form and return it to the office.

# CAREER CENTRE

Post-Secondary Information, Admissions Updates, New Post-Secondary Programs, Scholarships, Volunteering, Employment, Career Programs & Training, Leadership and Enrichment Programs

## PMSS Career Resource Centre

**Main Office.** Open from 8:00am – 3:30pm Monday-Friday.

**Questions?** Email Ms. Chang at [mchang@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:mchang@sd43.bc.ca) or call 604-939-6656 ext. 2013.

**How to keep up with the news?** Join the Port Moody Secondary Career center TEAMS page! Code to join: 46n1w80 or follow the Career Centre Instagram @pmsstransitions! Don't forget to check out the [PMSS Online Career Centre website](#)

## Post-Secondary workshops and info sessions

For current and ongoing opportunities, please visit [HERE](#)

**EducationUSA – Pre-Departure Orientation** is happening on Thursday June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025 from 3:30pm – 4:30pm PST!

Congratulations! You have been accepted to a US university and are preparing to begin your studies this fall (2025). We at EducationUSA are so thrilled for you and the new adventure you are undertaking! In this Pre-Departure webinar, we are going to go over the following: welcome remarks from US diplomat, paperwork you need to prepare and bring with you over the border, crossing the border, important people and resources at your new university, some tips about health care, banking and cellphones, and getting settled into your new home. If interested, [REGISTER HERE!](#)

**Langara College – Program to Paycheque** is happening on Thursday June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025 from 4:30pm – 6:30pm at Langara College, Vancouver. This event is designed for people interested in pursuing education and careers in the business field. This panel will highlight Langara's business-related programs and how they can lead to real-world employment. Attendees will hear directly from Langara faculty, current students, and alumni on their educational experiences, career pathways and post-graduation opportunities. To register, click [HERE!](#)

**Douglas College – Online Registration Workshops** are available for students accepted into Douglas College. If it is your first time registering or you'd like a refresher on how to register for classes, attend one of these ONLINE registration information workshops. Sign up for Thursday June 12, 2025 from 4-5pm [HERE](#) OR Monday June 23, 2025 from 3-4pm [HERE!](#)

## General Learning Opportunities

For current and ongoing opportunities, please visit [HERE!](#)

**\*NEW\* Gr. 9&10 – YMCA Bettie Allard Red Cross Babysitting course** (cost: \$85) is happening on Monday July 7<sup>th</sup>, from 9am – 5pm for youth 11-15 years old. Learn about: Responsibility and leadership skills, decision making and behaviour management, child development strategies, feeding, diapering and dressing, safety awareness and prevention, First Aid for babysitters, Business of babysitting. To register, contact: [Tracey.Korotash@bc.ymca.ca](mailto:Tracey.Korotash@bc.ymca.ca).

**Langara Teen Summer Camps 2025** is open to youth age 13-16 and happening between July and August for 5, 10, or 15 days from 9am – 3pm. Cost ranges from \$472.50 - \$1516.60 depending on the camp and length of time of the camp. Available camps are: Bioinformatics, Next-Gen (Makerspace), Echo-Tech (Chemistry + Computer Science), Mind-Sparks (Math + Physics), Business Start-up and Artificial Intelligence + Me. For more information, click [HERE!](#) For questions, email Carolina at [cserratosnegrete@langara.ca](mailto:cserratosnegrete@langara.ca). Please note that registration is by telephone only at (604) 323-5322.

**Justice Education Society – Camp Justice Summer 2025** is inviting students age 14-19 interested in law, justice, building advocacy and leadership skills to attend Camp Justice. Attend and learn from justice professionals and build your legal skills. Watch court, learn to negotiate, build legal skills and have fun! This will take place on #260-800 Hornby St, Vancouver from 9am – 4pm. Dates can be chosen between July 7-11, 14-18, 21-25, July 28-Aug 1, Aug 11-15. The cost is \$400, but bursaries are available for income qualified students. If interested, register [HERE!](#)

## Trades and Apprenticeship Information

For current and ongoing opportunities, please visit [HERE!](#)

## Volunteer/Employment Opportunities

For current and ongoing opportunities, please visit [HERE!](#)

**\*NEW\* Golden Spike Days** is an annual family event held in Rocky Point Park to commemorate the completion of the Canadian Pacific Railway to the city and the Confederation of Canada. The festival is looking for volunteers for June 28 – July 1<sup>st</sup> 2025 for a variety of positions including: Gate greeter, stage hand, family zone, traffic/ parking control, environment supporter, bike valet, information tent, volunteer supervisor and more! For more information, or to sign-up, click [HERE!](#)

**\*NEW\* Caribbean Days Festival 2025** is taking place July 26 -27, 2025 at Town Centre park, Coquitlam and requires volunteers! This event draws a crowd of exuberant fun-lovers for a weekend of parading, dining, socializing, and dancing in the sunshine. This is a weekend of tropical rhythms, cuisine, carnival and culture as only the Caribbean islands can offer. Volunteers receive a small meal and other benefits depending on the number of hours or shifts worked. To sign-up, click [HERE!](#)

**\*NEW\* Port Moody RIBFEST 2025** is happening again this year on July 17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025 at Rocky Point Park! By joining RIBFEST, volunteers help us create an unforgettable event while supporting the Port Moody Rotary Club's fundraising efforts. Proceeds directly benefit local clubs, organizations, and charities that make a difference in our community. For more information, or to sign-up, click [HERE](#)!

**\*NEW\* PoMo Arts – Art Out Side** is looking for volunteers for their multidisciplinary arts festival that transforms Port moody this summer July 21 – Aug 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025! Arts will fill the streets, from waterfront to commercial hubs, alleyways to park benches and secret locations. We are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to support outdoor festival activities this summer. If you love art and being outside, this is a great opportunity to make your summer unforgettable! Youth volunteers are eligible for our annual Visual Arts Scholarship if they accumulate 30+ hours between Jan 2025 and Oct 1, 2025! To sign-up, click [HERE](#)!

**High School Para Space Landscaping Summer Internship** is looking for high school students (with no experience needed) who are looking for a fun summer job where you can work alongside your friends and earn great money (\$23.81/hr +4% paid vacation)! These will be part-time hours with weekends, evenings and holidays off. There will be ample opportunity to return every summer or turn this into a long-term career. They provide excellent-on-the-job training and will have opportunities to stay with them all year round! You may even earn a scholarship through a company that invests in your future! Interested? Send your resumes to [careers@paraspaceinc.com](mailto:careers@paraspaceinc.com) or <https://www.paraspaceinc.com/careers>!

**City of Port Coquitlam – Recreation** is looking for summer volunteers for various activities! Summer camps (for age 15+), PoCo Youth Leadership (Age 15-18), Aquatics (age 15+ with Bronze Cross certification and Swim Instructor training), and PoCo Events (for age 14+). If interested, apply [HERE](#) by Monday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

**City of Coquitlam – Park Spark** is looking for volunteers! Park Spark is your chance to have fun and gain meaningful experiences while enhancing City of Coquitlam's parks. We offer a variety of opportunities for people to lend their expertise or experiences to connect with our parks. Interested? Email [parkspark@coquitlam.ca](mailto:parkspark@coquitlam.ca) or click [HERE](#) for more information!

### **Scholarship / Awards**

For current and ongoing opportunities, please visit [HERE](#)!

**\*NEW\* Icelandic Canadian Club of BC Scholarships** (value: \$1000) is awarded to students of Icelandic ancestry who are residents of BC and are beginning or continuing full-time programs of post-secondary education (academic or technical studies). Applicants, parents or grandparents must be members of good standing of the Icelandic Canadian Club of BC. Awards will be given to scholastic achievement with consideration given to member's activity in the Icelandic Club. For more information, or to apply, click [HERE](#)!

**\*NEW\* Looking Glass Foundation for Eating Disorders – Reflections Scholarship** (value: \$1000 - \$3000) is open for Canadians and permanent residents that will be enrolled in their first undergraduate degree. Applicants must be full-time students enrolled in an accredited post-secondary institution in Canada, who are commencing or returning to a university or college program starting between Sept 2025 – Jan 2026. Applicants must be currently accessing or have previously accessed support for an eating disorder and are far enough along in recovery to be able to meet the demands of their chosen degree. They must also demonstrate a strong need for financial assistance in order to achieve their academic goals. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

**Double A Solutions Scholarship** (value: \$1000) is open to seniors in high school or transitioning from high school to a college/ university at any level in the US or Canada. Employees and their immediate members of Double A Solutions are not eligible to participate. Applicants must write an essay of 800+ words in length to one of the chosen topics. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

**Canada's Outstanding Young Farmer's Program Scholarship** (value: \$1000) is open to any individuals in Canada pursuing post-secondary education leading to a diploma or degree in agriculture. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

**Charles Labatiuk Scholarship** (value: \$1000) is open to any student entering or continuing their studies at an accredited college or university in Canada in the interdisciplinary study of natural environment systems may apply. Students enrolled in studies focusing on ecosystems, how they operate and their symbiotic relationship with people are encouraged to apply. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

**Shim Law Scholarship 2025** (value: \$1000) is open to any individuals entering any Canadian or American University/ College at any University/ College program at any year of study. The winner will be based on how creative and informative they answer the topics chosen. Either "What are the elements of tort of harassment? How to quantify the damages for tort of harassment?" OR "Under what circumstances would the court grant mental distress damages when there is a breach of contract?" If interested, apply [HERE](#) by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

**NUPGE Scholarships** (value: varies by scholarship) is open to any child or grandchild (including a step-child, foster child, step grandchild or foster grandchild) or a legal ward of a current or retired member of a NUPGE Component or a Component's affiliate. Applicants must be planning to enter the first year of a public, post-secondary education part or full time in the coming year in Canada. Specific scholarships may have their own specific criteria. If interested, apply [HERE](#)!

# PARENTS

**PMSS 2024-2025 SCHOOL CALENDAR:** Please click [HERE](#) for the 2024-2025 School Calendar



For information regarding **PAC**, please visit <https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/portmoody/Parents/PAC/Pages>

## 2025-2026 Calendar

### Port Moody Secondary and School District No. 43 (Coquitlam)

School Calendar 2025-26 Designation	Date(s)
Schools Open	Tuesday, Sept 2
Pro D Day	Friday, Sept 19
Truth and Reconciliation Day	Tuesday, Sept 30
Thanksgiving Day	Monday, Oct 13
Pro D Day	Friday, Oct 24
Remembrance Day	Tuesday, Nov 11
Pro D Day – School Based	Friday, Nov 21
Schools close for Winter vacation (last day in session)	Friday, Dec 19
Winter vacation period	Monday, Dec 22 – Friday, Jan 2
Schools re-open after Winter vacation	Monday, Jan 5
BC Family Day	Monday, Feb 16
Pro D Day	Friday, Feb 27
Schools close for Spring vacation (last day in session)	Friday, Mar 13
Spring vacation period	Monday, Mar 16 –Friday, Mar 27
Schools re-open after Spring Break	Monday, Mar 30
Good Friday	Friday, Apr 3
Easter Monday	Monday, Apr 6
Pro D Day	Friday, Apr 24
Victoria Day	Monday, May 18
Pro D Day – School Based	Friday, May 29
Last day of school for all students	Thursday, Jun 25
Administrative day – Schools closed	Friday, June 26





**ELEMENTARY**  
July 8 – July 25, 9:00am - 12:00pm  
Courses: K to 1 transition, English for Beginners, Visual & Performing Arts, French Immersion, Integrated Studies, Math, Reading & Writing, Coding (Info tech), Outdoor Science, STEAM, and more!  
Free to all BC residents, SD43 Residency requirements apply.

8 LOCATIONS

**04 MAR**

Registration 6:00am

**MIDDLE**  
July 8 – July 25, 8:45am - 11:45am  
Courses: Band, Guitar, Creative Writing, Drama/Improv, English for Beginners, Guitar, Home Ec/Culinary, Integrated Studies, English and French Immersion Language Arts, Mathematics, PE/Leadership, Coding (Info Tech), Outdoor Science, STEAM, Tech Ed, Visual & Performing Arts, and more!  
Free to all BC residents, SD43 Residency requirements apply.

3 LOCATIONS

**07 MAR**

Registration 6:00am

**SECONDARY SKILL BUILDING**  
July 8 – July 25, 8:30am - 11:30am OR 12:00 - 3:00pm  
Courses: English, English for Beginners, IB Math & Science, Jazz & Concert Band, Science, Home Ec, Sewing, 2D Animation, Metal and Wood Tech Ed, Math, Coding (Info Tech), Skills for Success. These non-credit courses may be taken to review previously covered course content OR preview a course. Academic Completion 9/10 for Science and Math is only available by school referral.  
Free to all BC residents, SD43 Residency requirements apply.

2 LOCATIONS

**07 MAR**


Registration 6:00am

**SECONDARY FULL CREDIT**  
July 2 – August 7 (6 weeks)  
8:00am – 11:30am OR 12:00pm – 3:30pm  
Face-to-Face or Online Blended Fast Track  
Courses: Life Science11, Anatomy & Physiology 12; Career Life Education 10; Chemistry 11,12; EAL 10,11; English 10,11,12; English First Peoples 11,12; Mathematics 10,11,12; Physics 11,12; PHE 10; Socials 10,11, Science 10.  
Free to all BC residents, SD43 Residency requirements apply.

2 LOCATIONS

**06 MAY**

Registration 6:00am



[www.sd43SummerLearning.ca/Phone](http://www.sd43SummerLearning.ca/Phone) 604-936-4261

COMMUNITY

The Tri-Cities Pride Society's Pride Festival is July 18-20 this year!

- Port Moody YOUTH Pride is July 18 (4-6pm) at the PoMo Arts Center
- Coquitlam Pride is July 19 (12-5pm) at the Evergreen Cultural Center
- PoCo Pride is July 20 (2-5pm) at Leigh Square

Port Moody's LGBTQ+ Youth Committee is excited to be helping organize an event to celebrate queer youth, as well as their families, friends and allies. Come out to enjoy a queer youth art exhibit, music, food and so much more. More details about this event as well as other local Pride info, check out the Tri-Cities Pride Society's website <https://tricitypride.ca/>

# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

COQUITLAM  
**CRUNCH**  
DIVERSITY CHALLENGE

**CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!  
WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

Join the Coquitlam Crunch Challenge crew Saturday  
June 21 and help make the event amazing!

**Sign up today:**

Signup.com  
2025 Coquitlam Crunch Challenge



## \$25 summer drop-in pass

**Children and youth ages 0–18 get  
unlimited access to drop-in activities!**



pools



drop-in preschool, children & youth activities



weight room



walking track



drop-in fitness



steam room and hot tub

**PORT MOODY**  
CITY OF THE ARTS

## SCHOOL'S OUT PASS

**Only  
\$25**

Get unlimited drop-in access to Coquitlam  
pools, gyms, and rinks during summer, winter,  
and spring breaks for just \$25 with the School's  
Out Pass! *Valid June 28, 2025 – March 29, 2026.*

*Available June 2.*

[coquitlam.ca/SchoolsOutPass](https://coquitlam.ca/SchoolsOutPass)