



Port Moody Times

Thursday

December 18, 2025

Day 1

Every Friday is Blues Friday!

GRADE 12s: The counselling department reminds all grade 12s to log into their MyEd account, review their Diploma Verification Report, and complete the Transcript Verification Form. This process is in place to ensure that we catch and correct any errors/omissions of courses completed.

Spirit Week: Dec 15-19

- **Thursday: White Lies**
 - Tape a white piece of paper to the front of your shirt and write a white lie on it!
- **Friday: Pajama Day**

LOST AND FOUND

There are tables with all the lost and found items displayed in the MPR. They will be bagged up on Friday, December 19th at the end of the day. Please come and take a look to see if you are missing anything.



BLUES FRIDAY

Wear your Blues this Friday and next Friday and come to the MPR at lunch to get a raffle ticket to win gift cards & Blues Merch! We will be selling popcorn \$2 and more in the MPR at lunch on Friday! Cash only.


ART

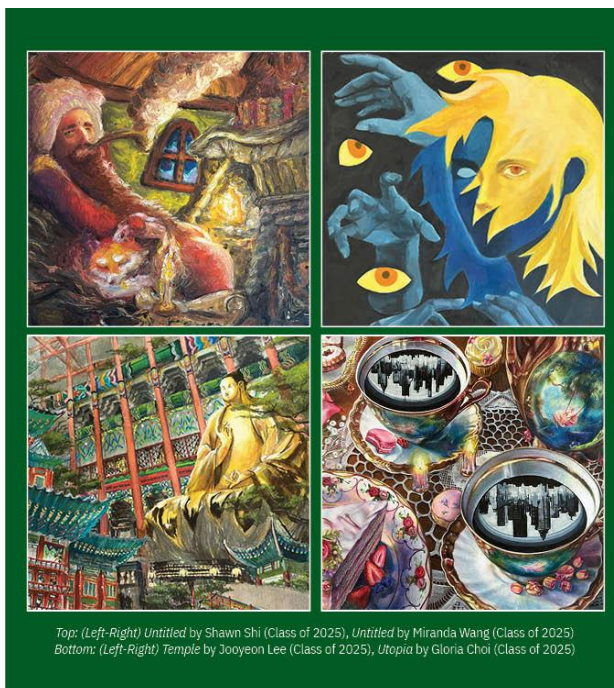
Grade 12 Artists who plan to study visual arts after graduation: please see Ms. Gardner during flex (or at the end of block 5) this week for an opportunity to exhibit your Port Moody Art in a professional gallery. Students who apply to have their original art in this January exhibit will also be able to apply to be one of three scholarship candidates in our may show.

home to our
arts community
**PLACE
DES
ARTS**
exhibitions

Emerging Talent 28
by SD43 Art Students

Opening Reception: Jan 23, 7:00 – 9:00 PM
Jan 23 – Mar 11, 2026 in the Atrium
Jan 30 – Mar 11, 2026 online at
placedesarts.ca/exhibitions

1120 Brunette Avenue
placedesarts.ca | 604.664.1636
   @pdacoquitlam



Top: (Left-Right) *Untitled* by Shawn Shi (Class of 2025), *Untitled* by Miranda Wang (Class of 2025)
Bottom: (Left-Right) *Temple* by Jooyeon Lee (Class of 2025), *Utopia* by Gloria Choi (Class of 2025)

Provincial Graduation Assessments – January

As part of British Columbia’s graduation requirements, students in the Graduation Program must complete three provincial assessments in numeracy and literacy (Literacy 10 assessment, Numeracy 10 assessment, and the Literacy 12 assessment). All assessments will take place during Learning Opportunities Week in January, with the dates listed below. Please note that grade 11 and 12 students will need to complete the grade 10 assessments if they have not yet completed them.

If you have any questions about this, please reach out to Vice Principal, Colin Cameron (cocameron@sd43.bc.ca).

Key Dates:

- Wednesday, January 21 - Numeracy 10 (Information [HERE](#))
 - Morning (7:45am to 11:00am) Last name: A to L
 - Afternoon (11:45am to 3:00pm) Last name: M to Z
- Thursday January 22 - Literacy 10 (Information [HERE](#))
 - Morning (7:45am to 11:00am) Last name: A to L
 - Afternoon (11:45am to 3:00pm) Last name: M to Z
- Friday January 23 - Literacy 12 (Information [HERE](#))
 - Morning (7:45am to 11:00am) Last name: A to Le
 - Afternoon (11:45am to 3:00pm) Last name: Li to Z

2026 MINISTRY ASSESSMENTS
JANUARY EXAM LOCATIONS

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 21	THURSDAY JANUARY 22	FRIDAY JANUARY 23
Numeracy 10 Assessment	Literacy 10 Assessment	Literacy 12 Assessment
7:45am to 11:00am	7:45am to 11:00am	7:45am to 11:00am
A to BLA → 106	A to BLA → 106	A to BAR → 106
BLI to CHO → 212	BLI to CHO → 212	BAT to CHO → 212
CHOB to EZ → 214	CHOB to EZ → 214	CHU to FEI → 214
F to HEO → 313	F to HEO → 313	FEN to HIL → 313
HER to JUN → 319	HER to JUN → 319	HIR to JI → 319
JUT to KWA → 320	JUT to KWA → 320	JIA to KNA → 320
KWO to LZ → 321	KWO to LZ → 321	KNO to LEW → 321

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M to MOJ → 106	M to MOJ → 106	LI to MA → 106
MON to PAS → 212	MON to PAS → 212	MAC to MOU → 212
PED to RZ → 214	PED to RZ → 214	MUN to RAF → 214
S to SONG,A → 313	S to SONG,A → 313	RAH to SHE → 313
SONG to WIC → 319	SONG to WIC → 319	SHI to TYL → 319
WIN to YOO → 320	WIN to YOO → 320	UCH to XU,A → 320
YOU to Z → 321	YOU to Z → 321	XU,K to Z → 321

PEER TUTORING

This is for students who want to volunteer as well as students who are looking for a tutor.

If interested, please complete this form: [Peer Tutoring – Fill out form](#)

Peer tutoring will run on Wednesdays and Thursdays at lunch and during block 5.



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.

Please also remember not to use the upper teachers' parking lot to drop off/ wait for their children and/ or to use as a turnabout.

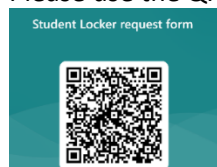
PMSS TIMES: The PMSS Times will be distributed on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**. Announcements will not be read over the PA. You will find copies in the Cafeteria under the clock and outside the Library Learning Commons.

PARENT FORMS & STUDENT FEES: School District 43 uses the KEV School Cash Online for both fee statements and District Policies forms. Relevant fees have been uploaded with email notifications.

STUDENT PARKING PASS: If you will be parking in the lower parking lot, please come to the office during lunch or before/ after school to pick up a Parking Registration form.

LOCKERS:

Please use the QR code below to request a locker.



Students will receive an email in their 088 district email account with the locker number and combination.

LIBRARY

The library currently has over 100 books overdue. Check your school email every Monday to see if you have any overdue library material. Please remember that our loan period is 3 weeks for most things except technology. Technology loans are for one class only and are due back at the end of the day. Thanks for helping us by bringing back your overdue library materials so others can enjoy them!

OFF BLOCK STICKERS

Gr. 12 students who need an off block sticker can pick it up in the office during lunch or before/ after school.

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 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 or X (Twitter) account @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](#)

University of Waterloo – Gr. 10 Info Night will be livestreamed (or you can watch the recording at a later date) on Thursday, February 19th, 2026 from 6:30pm – 8:00pm. You're invited to learn what you can do now to prepare for university. This event will help you start thinking about your journey to university. You don't need to have it all figured out or know what you want to study already! To register, click [HERE](#)!

List of Important Post-Secondary Events & Info Sessions

School/ Program/ Event	Date	Time	Location
UBC	VIRTUAL ONLY – 2x per month	-----	LINK
Scholarship Meeting #2 (Scholarship Package Launch)	Wednesday February 11th, 2026	12:00pm – 12:40pm	Drama Room
BCIT: Geomatics	Thursday February 12th, 2026	12:00pm - 12:40pm (lunch)	MPR (booth)
Douglas College - Next Steps	Wednesday February 18th, 2026	12:00pm - 12:40pm (lunch)	Library

General Learning Opportunities

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

LaSalle College – RISE 2026 helps Gr. 11 & 12 students gain new skills and receive 30 hours of collaborative, hands-on work experience in one of the following creative programs: Animation & 3D modelling, Culinary & Baking and Pastry Arts, Digital Media Content Creation, Fashion Design, Game Design, Graphic Design, Interior Design, Jewelry Design and Professional Recording Arts. These programs will take place from March 23-26, 2026 and each program costs about \$150. For more information or to apply, click [HERE!](#)

Vancouver Film School: Creative Break High School Camps 2026 is open to all high school students who is interested in experiencing 2 day workshops (between March 16-24) led by experienced industry professionals in Film Production, Acting, Animation, Make-up Design, Sound Design, Digital Design, and Foundation Visual Art & Design. Cost is \$200-\$250 per workshop. For more information, click [HERE!](#)

University of Waterloo – Future Ready Summer Experience is an exciting two week (July 5- July 18) summer experience for students aged 15-17. Future Ready builds your 21st-century skills, including critical thinking, creative problem-solving, collaboration, and communication, as you experience interdisciplinary lectures and gain unique insight into Waterloo’s world-renowned academic and innovative ecosystem. Beyond the classroom, you will benefit from living in residence on the university campus, participating in a variety of activities and excursions, and building friendships in a welcoming, inclusive environment. Fees are \$4150 for international students and \$3500 for domestic Canadian students (this includes classes, accommodation, meals, on-campus activities, off campus excursions, supervision and applicable taxes as required). If interested, apply [HERE](#) by Sunday, March 8th, 2026.

Trades and Apprenticeship Information

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

SD43 Trades Programs Open House is happening on Wednesday January 14th at 6pm at Terry Fox Secondary School (Main Foyer). Come learn more about the SD43 Level 1 programs and how to apply. Learn about student supports (ACCESS BC, BCCWITT, Skilled Trades BC and Step BC), and meet instructors from VCC, KPU, BCIT and SD43! No registration is required. More info can be found [HERE!](#)

Volunteer/Employment Opportunities

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

UBC STEM Leadership Program is looking for Gr. 10-12 students located in BC Lower Mainland that can be committed to a year long initiative focused on the professional development and training of high school students for the purposes of establishing strong values indicative of a STEM ambassador. The summer component of the program will focus on a Social Development Project (SDP) in addition to volunteer work with Geering Up. This time will provide the Leaders-in-Training with the tools they need to be successful STEM leaders in the future. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by Saturday, January 3rd, 2026!

Public Health Association BC – Rise Up Volunteer Program is now accepting applications for their volunteer program! Applicants must be Canadian citizens, Permanent Residents or granted refugee status in Canada that is 15-30 years old. Volunteers will be placed with local farms, gardens and food programs where they will build their skills in sustainability and community work and connect with other passionate youth across BC. The next cohort will take place Spring 2026 – 2027. Students will earn over 120 service hours over about a year! For more info or to apply, click [HERE!](#)

BD Hall – Spring Break Work Experience Program (\$25.00/hr) is looking for Gr. 12 students interested in a career in civil construction to commit to 80 paid hours March 17-28. Applicants must have the physical ability to work outdoors on active construction sites and have reliable transportation to and from project locations across the Lower Mainland. Applicants must also have CSA-certified steel-toed boots and work-appropriate clothing. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by Saturday, January 17th, 2026.

Freshet News is looking for high school volunteers for Thursday December 18th, 3:30pm – 5:30pm to hand out copies of the Freshet paper at local Skytrain stations. If interested, please contact Cornelia Naylor (cnaylor@freshetnews.ca) including if you have a vehicle to pick up the newspaper from their distribution hub (and earn extra work experience credit) or if you will simply meet them at the station. Also include your Skytrain station of choice. To learn more about Freshet News, click [HERE!](#)

Scholarship / Awards

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

BCEIA Student Scholarships (\$2500) is open to residents of BC who plan to attend or enroll at BC universities, colleges or institutes to study environmental studies. For more info, apply [HERE](#) by January 11th, 2026!

INKAS Rising Star Scholarship (\$2500) is open to students with a minimum average of 75% or equivalent GPA from the most recent term/ semester, be currently enrolled or planning to enroll full-time in a Business or Engineering program at an accredited university in Canada or the US, and be a Canadian citizen, Permanent Resident, US citizen, Green card holder or hold a valid study permit/ student visa for Canada or the US. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by January 31st, 2026!

Coquitlam Optimist International Essay Contest (\$2500) is open to all students under the age of 19 who have not completed secondary school or its equivalent. Submit essays 700-800 words in length about “How my acts of service help me understand what my community means to me” If you intend to submit an essay, please fill out and submit the application form [here](#) to give us an idea of how many essays to expect. For more information, click [HERE!](#)

Coquitlam Foundation Scholarships & Bursaries (funding amounts, if not specified in the eligibility requirements, are based on the availability of funds) is open to students who demonstrate financial need, a history of school and community service and leadership OR school and community involvement, demonstrate academic success sufficient to enter post-secondary studies, and will begin designated studies within 3 years of formal notification of awarded bursary/ scholarship. Specific scholarships may have their own specific requirements. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by Tuesday, March 31st, 2026.

Energyrates.ca Scholarship 2026 (\$500) is open to applicants enrolled in an American or Canadian post-secondary institution or planning to enroll in such an institution within the following calendar year. Students must submit a 500 word essay on anything the student so chooses (green energy, oil politics, nuclear power) so long as it’s about energy in the world of tomorrow. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by January 31st, 2026!

SFU Uggle Family Scholarships (valued at full tuition and fees, on-campus housing + meal plan, textbooks and other materials, access to additional financial support, program advising and support) is open to Canadian students admitted to SFU for the Fall term to any undergraduate degree that face significant financial barriers to participation in post-secondary education and may include students who identify as Indigenous, Black, or a person of colour, students living with disabilities, LBTQIA2S+ and students of all gender identities. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by January 19th, 2026.

Jay Nijholt Scholarship (\$1500) is open to Canadian Gr. 12 students aspiring to pursue entrepreneurship, have experience with soccer, and have experience with mental illness (either themselves or someone close to them). Financial need is considered but not required. If interested, please apply [HERE](#) by February 10th, 2026.

Luke Santi Memorial Award for Student Achievement (\$1000 + visit Perimeter Institute for a tour) is open to students with an 80% minimum overall average, a demonstrated passion for Physics outside of the normal academic environment, demonstrated interest in a wide range of activities outside of physics and for students applying to a full-time academic program in physical sciences at a Canadian university for the Fall. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by Sunday, May 31st, 2026.

PARENTS

PMSS 2025-2026 SCHOOL CALENDAR: Please click [HERE](#) for the 2025-2026 School Calendar

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

AFTERGRAD

Thanks to all the parents for supporting the past Aftergrad fundraisers.

Flip Give Online Shopping & Gift Cards – Shop at participating stores year-round using our team code **CJWDGL**. A percentage of each purchase supports After Grad. This is the perfect opportunity to support After Grad whether shopping for gifts or everyday essentials.



Return It Express – Recycling bottles and cans at any Return It Express is a great way to support PMSS After Grad throughout the year. Simply use account "update your account settings to have you returns donated to PORT MOODY AFTER GRAD when you drop off your recyclables, and this will go towards After Grad fundraising efforts.

SCHOOL CASH ONLINE



 **AfterGrad PMSS 2026** Available now on SCHOOL CASH ONLINE



Mention "PMSS After Grad" while shopping to support Port Moody After Grad.



 **AfterGrad PMSS 2026** Mention: "PMSS AFTER GRAD"

Book a party or Buy a gift card at Poco Bowl or Matteo’s Gelato and use the PMSSAFTERGRAD at checkout and we will get money back.



Any questions or you would like information on donating money or an item to the Aftergrad Please email portmoodyaftergrad@gmail.com We can also use volunteers.

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