



# Port Moody Times

Thursday  
March 12, 2026  
Day 2

Every Friday is Blues Friday!



## 2 WEEKS AT A GLANCE



**WEEK OF MARCH 2-6**

<b>MON-2</b> DAY 2 STAFF MEETING @2:15 GIRLS RUGBY @ BANTING 3:50PM PURIM	<b>TUES-3</b> DAY 1 MAGHA PUJA DAY LANTERN FESTIVAL RAMADAN	<b>WED-4</b> DAY 2 GRADE 12 CLC PRESENTATION IN LARGE GYM 1:50-2:20PM UNIFIED BASKETBALL @ GLENEAGLE 3:30PM RAMADAN	<b>THUR-5</b> DAY 1 WATERLOO INFO SESSION @MPR 2-2:30PM AFTERGRAD MEETING 7PM BOYS RUGBY @ CENTENNIAL 4PM RAMADAN	<b>BLUES FRIDAY -6</b> DAY 2 INDIGENOUS LEADERSHIP @ELC GRAD PORTRAIT RETAKES 1:30 - 6:30 MPR TALENT SHOW @ LUNCH HOLA MOHALLA	<b>SAT/SUN-7/8</b> International WOMENS Day March 8
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**WEEK OF MARCH 9-13**

<b>MON-9</b> DAY 1 GRADE 9 IMMUNIZATIONS	<b>TUES-10</b> DAY 2 SR BADMINTON @ RIVERSIDE 3:30PM SPRING MUSIC CONCERT 7-8:30PM	<b>WED-11</b> DAY 1 UNIFIED BASKETBALL @ RIVERSIDE 3:30PM	<b>THUR-12</b> DAY 2 BOYS RUGBY @ BANTING 4PM JR BADMINTON @ RIVERSIDE 3:30PM RAMADAN	<b>GREENS FRIDAY -13</b> DAY 1 LAST DAY OF CLASSES BEFORE SPRING BREAK SCHOLARSHIP PACKAGE DEADLINE WEAR GREEN AND GOLD; SCAVENGER HUNT @LUNCH	<b>SAT/SUN-14/15</b> INTERNATIONAL DAY TO COMBAT ISLAMOPHOBIA MARCH 15	<b>LOOKING AHEAD</b> MARCH 14-29: SPRING BREAK MARCH 30: SCHOOL OPENS; VALEDICTORIAN APPLICATION OPEN; DH MEETING 3:15 MARCH 31: DINNER DANCE GUEST FORMS AVAILABLE UNTIL APRIL 8 APRIL 1: SPRING MUSICAL TECH APRIL 2: SPRING MUSICAL TECH APRIL 3: GOOD FRIDAY
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**ART**

Thank-you artist for letting us display your work in the MPR. It is time for all art to go home: Please see Ms. Gardner to either let her know you are collecting your art, or for help if you have art in a school frame which needs to be emptied. The best times to catch Ms. G are Mondays at the end of block 5, Tuesdays at lunch, or Tuesday/Wednesday at the start of Flex. Thanks again - your art is terrific.

**LOCKER CLEANUP**

As we approach our last week of school before spring break, please take a moment to clean out your locker and dispose of any food items/ garbage. Also, please note down your locker combination as a reminder after the break.

**LAW & RELATIONS CLUB VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY**

The Law & Relations Club is looking for volunteers to help deliver presentations to local middle school classes on the basics of law and related topics. Volunteers will help give approximately **one-hour presentations** introducing students to foundational legal concepts in an engaging and youth-friendly way.

Presentations will likely take place **between April 9-17 (after Spring Break)** during school hours. In the coming weeks, volunteers will be provided with **lesson plans and support in developing their presentations.**

This is a **one-time commitment**, making it a great opportunity for students with busy schedules who are interested in law, public speaking, or community outreach.

If you are interested in participating, please fill out the **sign-up form linked below.**  
<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/TzCTNryZ9C?origin=lprLink>

**GRAD DINNER & DANCE/ AFTER GRAD**

Dinner & Dance and After Grad tickets are now available for purchase online until May 1<sup>st</sup>. All outstanding fees must be paid and school policy forms must be completed before students can pick their seats for Dinner and Dance. Please log onto your CashOnline account to check for any outstanding/ incomplete items. Seat selection begins April 21<sup>st</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup>. After Grad tickets are only available for students who are planning on going to Dinner & Dance.

# VALEDICTORIAN 2026

Congratulations 2026 Grads! This year we will have 2 Valedictorians (co-valedictorians). One student will represent the Standard Graduation Program, and the other will represent the IB Program (either the diploma or the certificate).

## THE NOMINATION PROCESS:

-If you wish to be class Valedictorian for the Class of 2026 you **MUST** provide the names of TWO teachers who you feel would highly recommend you. It is important that you speak to those teachers before you send in your nomination, as teachers will be contacted about their recommendation.

-Nomination form is due on or before **Thursday April 9th at 4pm**. Don't forget to submit the form after you've completed it!

-On **Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>** those people shortlisted will be notified through school email. Only those who move on to the next step will be notified. Ms. Martin will hold a meeting for all shortlisted candidates **April 15 at 3:15 pm**. to review the process for the election and the responsibilities of a valedictorian.

-All successful nominees will give a short (3-4 minute) speech during a Grade 12 assembly on **Wednesday, April 22, Period 4**. This speech will allow you to introduce yourself to the student population and tell them why you would be a good choice for valedictorian.

-Voting for the Valedictorian for the Class of 2026 will take place immediately after the assembly. Grade 12 students must be present at the assembly in order to vote.

## THE VALEDICTORIAN SELECTION PROCESS:

All nominated students must meet the following criteria:

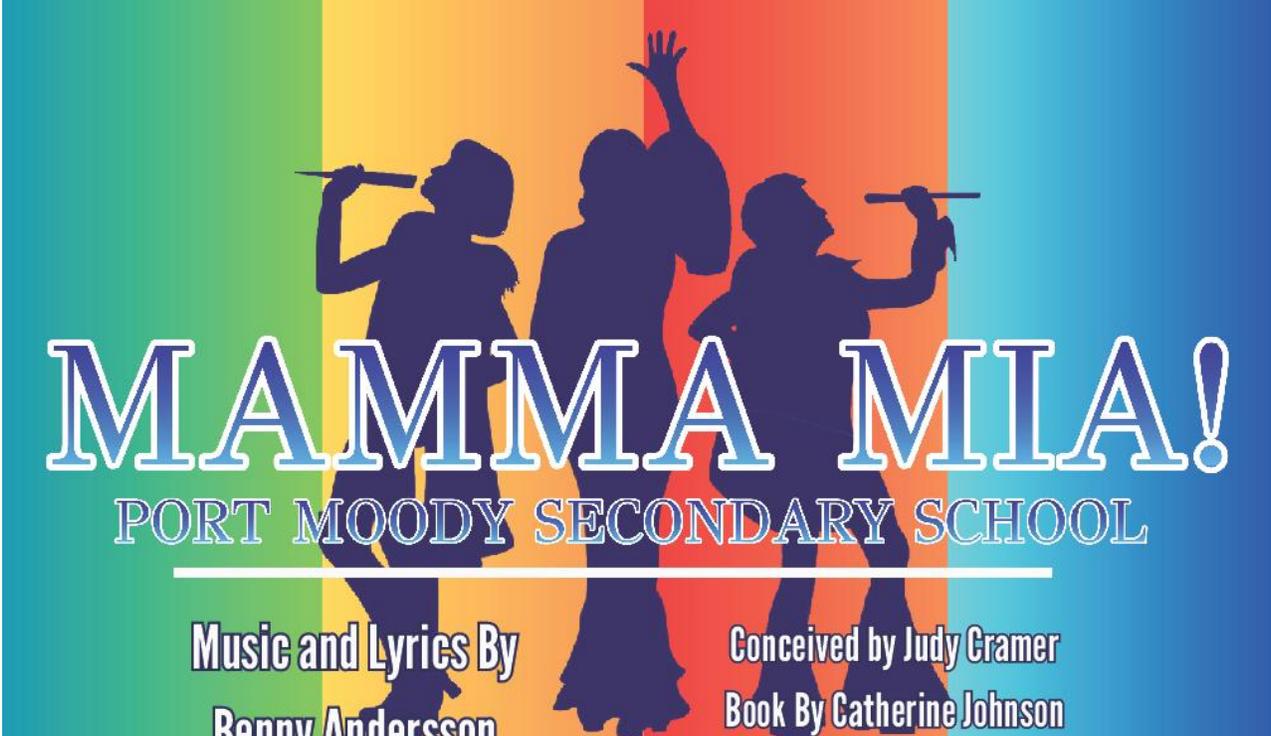
- Be in a position to graduate in June 2026
- Be in good academic standing – typically placing on the honour roll for each formal report in grade 11 and 12 (though this is not a requirement)
- Be respected by peers and staff
- Have demonstrated service and leadership in the Port Moody Secondary learning community
- Be a positive, ethical role model who demonstrates integrity and exemplary behaviour
- Be able to deliver a positive and authentic valedictorian speech, on behalf of all grade 12 students
- Have strong verbal communication skills
- Be willing to commit the time to work closely with your co-valedictorian and administration in the crafting, editing and revising of their speech

Students not meeting the criteria will not be included in the selection process. The successful students will then work with administration and staff to write their Valedictorian Speech for the Class of 2026 Commencement Ceremony.

If you have any questions, please email Ms. Martin [smartin@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:smartin@sd43.bc.ca)

**MAMMA MIA - APRIL 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17 - BUY TICKETS NOW!**

Get ready to be swept away to a sun-soaked Greek island as Port Moody Secondary School proudly presents Mamma Mia! The Musical—a sparkling, feel-good production bursting with energy, heart, and the timeless hits of ABBA. Featuring a double cast of talented Port Moody Secondary performers, Mamma Mia! promises an unforgettable night of music, laughter, and joy. There will be a different cast each week, so check with your student to see which week they are performing. Buy your tickets here: [Theatre - Port Moody Secondary School](#)



# MAMMA MIA!

PORT MOODY SECONDARY SCHOOL

Music and Lyrics By  
**Benny Andersson**  
**Björn Ulvaeus**

Conceived by Judy Cramer  
Book By Catherine Johnson  
Additional Materials & Arrangements By  
**Martin Koch**

Music published by UNIVERSAL USC PUBLISHING GROUP and EMI GROVE PARK MUSIC inc. and EMI WATERFORD MUSIC inc.



All performances take place at  
Port Moody Secondary School  
300 Albert Street, Port Moody

**April**  
**8, 9, 10**  
**15, 16, 17**

**Tickets \$10 for Students**  
**and \$15 for Adults**

MAMMA MIA! is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI).

All Authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI.

[www.mtishows.com](http://www.mtishows.com)

# Saint Patrick's Day Event

★ Four 4-leaf clovers will be hidden around the school

★ Many 3-leaf clovers will also be hidden throughout the halls.

★ The 3-leaf clovers contain hints to help you locate the 4-leaf clovers.

★ If you find a 4-leaf clover, send a photo of it to @pmss\_bluesleadership to claim your prize!

★ Prizes: Tim Hortons gift cards

Good luck hunting,  
and may the luck of  
the Irish be with you!



March 13th

## GREEN & GOLD SPIRIT DAY!

★ Get into the St. Patrick's Day spirit by wearing green and gold to school!

★ What to wear:

- Green or gold clothing
- Fun accessories like hats, beads, etc...
- Face paint

★ Go all out and celebrate St. Patrick's Day with us! The more green and gold you wear, the better! 🍀❤️

March 13th





Port Moody Secondary Tickets  
\$10 Each

# RAFFLE

## PRIZE 1 FUN AROUND TOWN! Value: \$2,797

- 3 Nights at Fairmont Chateau Whistler
- Vancouver FC Tickets & Hats
- Arts Club 'Come from Away' Tickets
- BC Lions Tickets
- Coquitlam Express Tickets & Merch



## PRIZE 2 GOLF POWER PLAY! Value: \$1,825

- Golf Rounds at Pitt Meadows & Golden Eagle
- Women's Golf Attire
- Golf Lesson
- Coolers & Gift Cards
- Privacy Consulting Session



## PRIZE 3 BLUES PRIDE! Value: \$1,325

- Samsung 75" 4K UHD TV
- PMSS Nest Merchandise
- Gift Basket
- Tim Hortons Gift Card



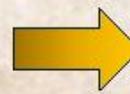
## PRIZE 4 MUSICALLY INCLINED! Value: \$1,000

- Acoustic & Electric Guitars
- Tom Lee Music Gift Card



Scan the QR code to support

# Blues Athletics!



# The Tri-Cities Enchantment Project



## Dress & Suit Donations Request

The Enchantment Project was created to ensure all our young people can attend their high school graduation celebrations. Your donations of modern and stylish grad dresses and suits are vital to the continuation of this project.

Grad dresses and suits can be donated at Terry Fox, Riverside, Gleneagle, Heritage Woods, and CAFE. Donations are accepted from January to March 2026.

Thank you for your generosity.

Please email Erin with any questions - [ewatkins@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:ewatkins@sd43.bc.ca)

## 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.

### **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.

### **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!

# 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 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](#)

**McMaster University** is hosting a **Vancouver Event** on Tuesday April 7<sup>th</sup> from 6-8pm at West Point Grey Academy. While in town, McMaster University will be hosting the following events for applicants, prospects and supporters to connect with faculty members, learn about our various programs and discover what McMaster has to offer. If interested, register [HERE!](#)

**Douglas College** is hosting a **Health Care Career Fair** on Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup> from 4-7pm at their Coquitlam campus! We are excited to invite students to explore a wide range of high-opportunity careers. They'll hear from faculty and grads working in the field, get hands-on in our experiential learning labs and tour our campus! If students register and attend the event, they'll be entered in a draw for a chance to win a tuition fee voucher equivalent to one course at Douglas. If interested, register [HERE!](#)

**UBC's Land and Food Systems – Career Stories** is designed to help prospective and admitted students better understand what a science degree from the Faculty of Land and Food Systems can lead to. Students will hear from a panel of LFS alumni and participate in a guided networking experience where they can connect with over 20 alumni representing a wide range of industries and career paths, alongside current students and staff. There is also an opportunity to ask admissions-related questions as UBC Recruiters will be present. Light dinner will be provided. This free event will take place on Tuesday, March 10 from 5:30 – 7:00pm. If interested RSVP to [thilini.leitan@ubc.ca](mailto:thilini.leitan@ubc.ca) (LFS Student Engagement Advisor) with your preferred name, High School name, grade and any dietary restrictions by Monday March 9 at 9:00am. Parents or guardians are welcome to attend; please note this in the RSVP so we can plan accordingly.

**BCIT Preparation for Nursing Education** will take place from June 29 – July 3 Mon – Fri from 9am – 5pm on BCIT's Burnaby campus. This course is open to anyone interested in exploring and pursuing a career in nursing. The course aims to provide a comprehensive introduction to nursing through a combination of theoretical and practical learning opportunities. Students will be introduced to the profession of nursing and the healthcare environment while developing the academic skills that are necessary for post-secondary success. This 36 hour course is delivered in person, offering hands-on experience in a lab/simulation setting. The course fee is \$399.90. If interested, register [HERE!](#)

**UBC Ennovate – Student Life 101** is happening for free on Saturday March 7<sup>th</sup> from 1pm – 4pm at UBC Sauder School of Business. This is an interactive workshop designed to help high school students feel confident and well-prepared as they enter a new chapter of their life in university. Will feature: activities with student life experts (including Residence Advisors, Collegia Advisors and UBC Club Presidents), networking with other incoming and prospective UBC students, cross-campus scavenger hunt and personalized session with UBC Student leaders. If interested, register [HERE](#) by Sunday March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026.

## General Learning Opportunities

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

**\*NEW\*** **University of Victoria's Gustavson School of Business** is hosting a **Finance 101: Personal Finance for Students Preparing for College & University Workshop** on Thursday April 9<sup>th</sup> at 6pm online via Zoom. If you are in Gr. 9-12, or an international student, or a parent/ guardian that wants to take responsibility for your financial life, starting with mobile banking and day to day spending, and are curious about where to start, or if you have questions about your credit score and how it is used to evaluate you for mobile phone, credit card, apartment rental, summer job, car loan, etc, you want to build up savings and start investing in stocks, bonds, ETFs.. or you are interested in what a university class might be like, then this is a good fit for you! If interested, register [HERE!](#)

**Fraser Youth Parliament (FYP) Leadership Initiative** provides an opportunity for youth 14-18 to develop skills in leadership, organization, public speaking and knowledge of societal affairs. FYP is a simulation of the Westminster Parliamentary process and not affiliated with any political party and is a non-profit organization. This event will take place March 27-29 at Coquitlam City Hall. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2026!

**UBC STEM Fellowship – STEMQuest Case Competition** is happening for FREE on March 20 – 21, 2026 on UBC Vancouver Campus for Gr. 10-12 students! Join us at the UBC STEM Fellowship STEMQuest Case Competition 2026 where innovation meets impact! This year's theme focuses on reducing microplastics in waterbodies, where you will develop an interdisciplinary strategy to mitigate its impact. Whether you're passionate about biology, environmental science, or engineering, this experience will challenge you to think across disciplines and learn to develop practical and meaningful design solutions. If interested, or want more information, click [HERE!](#) For questions, contact [ubc@stemfellowship.org!](mailto:ubc@stemfellowship.org)

**Vancouver Film School – March Break Workshops** features [Makeup from Stage to Screen](#) (\$175), [Animation](#) (\$150) and [Motion Graphics](#) (\$150). Students can register for all workshops directly through Eventbrite using the links above. We

also encourage students to check out our upcoming Creative Essentials Workshop Day on March 27 (FREE) for a full day of interactive sessions across multiple creative disciplines. If interested, click [HERE](#)

### **Trades and Apprenticeship Information**

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

**KPU – Pop in a Shop: Trades Info Session Night** is happening on Thursday, March 12 from 5-7pm at KPU Tech! Come get info about our Trades programs and see the shops firsthand! Our instructors will be waiting for you in each of our shops to show you the ropes. Near the end of the event, we'll have an admissions workshop to help you with more details about the programs – bring your questions! For more info or to register, click [HERE!](#)

### **Volunteer/Employment Opportunities**

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

**UBC Geering Up – Jr Instructor Summer volunteers** are high school (Gr. 10 or higher) or university students who lend a helping hand at our clubs and camps. Junior Instructors are invited to work closely alongside our instructors to deliver and share STEM to youth in a hands-on and dynamic learning environment. This involves some curriculum development, assisting with lesson delivery, materials preparation, teaching opportunities, and more! Locations are UBC Vancouver, Richmond, South Surrey, North Vancouver or Coquitlam! Volunteers are expected to volunteer at minimum one week between July and Sept from 8:30am – 3:45pm Mon – Fri. If interested, please apply [HERE](#) by Friday, March 27, 2026!

**Kids Innovative** is looking to welcome **Volunteers** who want to support their STEM, arts, and creative programs across different schools. For the Spring, they are looking for volunteers at Baker Drive Elementary for their program “Sewing with Kids” from April 2 – May 28 from 2:30 – 4:00pm and Montgomery Middle School for their program “Cooking” from April 10 – June 5 from 3:00pm – 4:30pm! Any students interested can apply [HERE!](#)

**SFU Science Alive** is looking for **volunteers** from Gr. 10-12 students with a passion for STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Design and Maths) that enjoy working with kids! Flexible weekly commitment with part-time/ full-time hours are available. Training will be provided before you start. If you are interested, apply [HERE](#) before Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup>!

**Belcarra Beachkeepers** is looking for volunteers at least 16 years old with a keen interest in marine ecology and natural history that is reliable and motivated and would be comfortable handling live intertidal marine life. Volunteers will encourage preservation of marine ecosystems by engaging park visitors with hands-on, interactive educational displays, props and activities and work to collect base line information on the impact of recreational fishing on local crab populations at the Belcarra Regional Park wharf; this information is analyzed by Fisheries and Oceans for fisheries management purposes. The time commitment is a minimum of 6 weekend shifts (approximately 30 hours) throughout the summer, from the last weekend in June to Labour Day. If interested, or would like more info, click [HERE!](#)

**MoreSports** is looking to hire **After-School Program Coaches** (\$18.25-25.00/ hr for a min of 2 hrs per week for 8-10 consecutive weeks)! Applicants must have a clear criminal record check (vulnerable sector), ability to use Docs/ Sheets and answer emails in a timely manner, have great communication skills and understanding of fundamental movement skills and physical literacy. The role is to follow MoreSports BC Afterschool Program plan while coaching a group of kids, make lesson plans, and ensure an inclusive, safe and respectful environment. Benefits of working with MoreSports is they provide additional professional development (coaching certificates) and ability to build your network. For more information, or to apply, upload your resume and cover letter [HERE!](#)

**SFU Camps** is looking to hire **Camp Instructors** (\$27.05 - \$28.50/ hr) **and Head Instructors** (\$28.05 - \$31/hr)! Applicants must obtain or maintain a Standard First Aid and CPR-C Certification, complete a Criminal Record Check - including a Vulnerable Sector check if over 18 years and submit to Camps Manager, experience working with children; demonstrated ability to interact with all relevant ages and understanding of the developmental needs of children and youth, and a willingness to learn and make meaningful effort to take on constructive feedback given by peers and supervisors. Previous experience with SFU camps is an asset. If applying for the Head Instructor role, post-secondary experience related to the camp subject matter is also an asset. Training begins in June, and camps will take place from June 29 – August 28 (up to 40 hours a week). For more information, or to apply, click [HERE!](#) The deadline to apply is Friday April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2026!

**PoMo Arts – After-Camp Care Leader (SUMMER)** is looking to hire someone to lead and supervise fun art and educational activities for a diverse group of participants ages 5-12 during our after camp care program. The program runs M-F 3pm- 5pm for 8 weeks during July and August for \$25/hr. Applicants should have experience in a program leader position or equivalent and have the ability to pass a Criminal Record Check with Vulnerable Sector check. Having a second language and current CPR certification is an asset. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by Wednesday March 25, 2026 at 5pm!

**Lifesaving Society – Waterfront Lifeguards** is looking for Lifeguard 1 (up to 18 positions - \$30/ hr) and Lifeguard 2 (supervisory position - \$35/hr) for Buntzen Lake (Anmore) in Spring/ Summer 2026. Shifts vary and include weekends, statutory holidays, daytime and evening shifts. Applicants must have National Lifeguard Pool option, Standard First Aid with CPR-C, a current satisfactory criminal record check with vulnerable sector search, reliable transportation- including to locations without public transit access, 2 years of leadership experience (for those applying for Lifeguard 2) and must be able to attend 100% of the training (Sat May 2 & Sun May 3 and Sat May 9 & Sun May 10). If interested, submit your resume with a cover letter to [lifeguardservices@lifesaving.bc.ca](mailto:lifeguardservices@lifesaving.bc.ca) including your Lifesaving Society member code, dates available for employment and which position you are applying for. Apply by Friday March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 4:30pm. For more info, click [HERE!](#)

**EngKidz – Spring STEM Camp Instructor** (\$24/ hr) is seeking energetic STEM Camp Instructors! This position is ideal for students and recent graduates who are looking to develop their communication and leadership skills. Applicants must commit to 10-30 hrs/ week depending on availability from March 16-20 and March 23-27 from 9am – 5pm everyday. They must have their Class 5 or 7 driver's license, prior teaching or coaching is an asset and enrollment in a science/ engineering program is an asset. Background check and First Aid certification will be required prior to start. If interested or would like more info, click [HERE](#)!

### **Scholarship / Awards**

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

**\*NEW\* Double A Solutions Scholarships** (\$1000) is open to students in Gr. 12 transitioning to college/ or university or already enrolled in a college or university any level in the US or Canada. Employees and their immediate family members of Double A solutions are not eligible to participate. Applicants must choose one of 7 chosen topics to write a short essay on. For more information about essay topics, or applying, please click [HERE](#)! Please ensure you apply by Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026!

**Youth of Canada Scholarship** (\$1500 x 3) are open to all Canadian citizens and Permanent residents aged 14-18 years old. Applicants must respond to three short essay questions about their passion, experiences/ challenges and hope for their future. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026!

**Hebden Chemistry Bursary** (\$1000) is open to students who has, or will complete Chemistry 12 by the end of June 2026. The applicant must have plans to continue the study of chemistry at a recognized post-secondary institution, whether it be toward a chemistry degree or in a field such as nursing or engineering. Must use Hebden resources within their school. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026!

**Manulife Life Lessons Scholarship Program** (\$10,000) is open to students aged 17-24 who have lost a parent or legal guardian with little or no life insurance to pursue their post-secondary education. Applicants must be Permanent Residents of Canada and be enrolled in, or have been accepted to (and intend to attend) a college, university, or trade school within Canada. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026!

**BCIT Entrance Awards** (awards available range from \$1000 - \$19,300) is open for Citizens or Permanent Residents of Canada that are beginning a full-time BCIT program between May 1, 2026 and April 30, 2027. Students must have applied for admission to BCIT and been assigned a BCIT ID. You do not need to be accepted into your program by the Entrance Awards application deadline. When applicable, you must meet the award-specific eligibility criteria outlined under the Eligible Program(s) and Award-specific information sections in the Entrance Awards guide. You must be entering an eligible full-time BCIT program of at least 5 months duration, including part-time and full-time Bachelor's degrees. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026!

**Alpha Gamma Delta UBC Entrance Award** (\$2000) is open to woman-identifying applicants who applied to UBC-Vancouver with the intent to enter their first year of study in Sept 2026. They must share the values of: Pursuit of wisdom, developing and prioritizing health and vigour of body, contributing to the world's work in the communities where we are placed, holding truth inviolable, sincerity essential and kindness invaluable, and possessing high ideals and working to attain them. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026!

**Susan and Steven Rubin Educational Scholarship Fund** (\$1800) is open to Canadian Citizens or Landed Immigrants (having 3 years Landed Immigrant status) that resides with his or her parents in Canada at the time of application. Student must provide proof of enrollment at an accredited Canadian or Israeli post-secondary educational institution in a program that requires at least 2 years, or 4 semesters, leading to a diploma or degree. Applicant must also maintain an average of 82% or less in both of the last 2 years (grades 11 and 12) of his or her secondary school education. Averages outside of this range will not be considered. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2026!

**Shashi Assanand Bursary** (\$1000) is open to female students in the Metro Vancouver schools who are completing Gr. 12 and are children of refugees or immigrants to Canada. Applicants must be interested in pursuing a career in social work, education, psychology, nursing or social services and possess academic grades sufficient to allow admission into their chosen area of study/ educational facility. Applicants must also demonstrate financial need. If interested, see Ms. Chang or Career Centre TEAMS/ [WEBSITE](#) for application forms and submit to [Selectioncommittee\\_SAB@vlfmfs.ca](mailto:Selectioncommittee_SAB@vlfmfs.ca) by Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

**Lotus Light Scholarship** (\$1000) is open to students 17+ and will be beginning or continuing their studies at a recognized post-secondary educational institution on a full-time basis. Students will be assessed on scholastic record and community volunteer involvement. Special note that applications must be submitted via postal mail or drop off (no email submissions, no fax). If interested, click [HERE](#) for more information and apply by Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

**Girl Guides- BC Council Scholarship** (\$500 - \$2000) is open to active members of Girl Guides of Canada that have been registered in BC Council for the past 3 years and are residents of BC. Applicants must be registered Gr. 12 students at a BC Secondary School and planning to attend an accredited post-secondary institution. Specific bursaries/ scholarships will have their own additional eligibility requirements. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

**Kochhar & Co Scholarship** (\$1000) is open for Canadian/ Permanent Resident students planning to attend a college/ university on a full-time/ part-time basis no later than Sept 2026 with a GPA of 2.5+ during their last academic year. Students can be enrolled in any field of study, but must answer one of the essay questions: 1) What are the three most important things that an accountant does for a company? Or 2) What are the three most important things that an accountant does for an individual? If interested, apply [HERE](#) by Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026.

**G3 Grow Beyond Scholarship** (\$5000 x 4) are open to Canadian/ Permanent Residents in their final year of a Canadian high school and graduating in 2026 planning to start full-time studies in their first bachelor's degree or diploma. Applicants must create a 2-3 min video describing your vision for the future of agriculture and how you plan to contribute. Applicants must also show contribution to their school/ community/ volunteer/ employment/ helping at home/ cultural or faith-based involvement/ athletics/ creative pursuits or other meaningful responsibilities. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2026. Please note that once 125 submissions have been received, applications will be closed regardless of the date.

## **PARENTS**

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

### **Upcoming Meetings**

- **Regular PAC Meeting:** April 14 at 7 pm, Room 222
- **After Grad Meeting:** April 9 at 7 pm, Room 222
- **Regular PAC Meeting:** May 12 at 7 pm — **Election Night**
- **After Grad Meeting:** May 7 at 7 pm, Room 222

### **Why We Need You**

We would love to see more parents join us at the April meeting. May is election month, and we need people to step into roles—the Chair position must be filled. For the past three years, the same five people have been covering all positions, and we truly need more support.

High school PAC is very different from Elementary or Middle School:

- Meetings are shorter.
- There is one main responsibility: deciding how to distribute the annual gaming grant to school clubs.
- To receive a gaming grant of **over \$25,000**, we must have a **Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary**.

If your child participates in any sport or club, these roles directly impact them. Without these positions, **there will be no gaming grant in the fall**, and clubs will not receive funding.

Attached a sample of this past year and clubs we supported.

PAC also oversees the Grade 12 After Grad event. This requires parent involvement, as a significant amount of fundraising is done to support the celebration.

At many schools, Grade 11 parents lead the planning so Grade 12 parents can enjoy the final year with their kids.

Unfortunately, our school has had low volunteer turnout. Two years ago, the event had to be cancelled due to lack of volunteers.

Parents from all grades are encouraged to attend meetings and get involved. Volunteering gives you a clear picture of what happens and helps ensure the event continues for future years.

All caregivers are welcome—grandparents, aunts, uncles, anyone who enjoys helping out. If you're missing the social connection that came with elementary school pick-ups and playdates, PAC is a great way to meet new people.

### **Rafflebox Fundraiser**

This year, Athletics, After Grad, Robotics, and Music have partnered to raise funds through Rafflebox. Please share the link with family and friends across BC. If every family sold just 10 tickets, each group would receive much-needed support—and you'll be entered to win an amazing prize package.

Rafflebox link:

<https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/pmss/6>

### **Interested in Helping?**

If you'd like more information about volunteering with After Grad or taking on a PAC role, we welcome co-positions if you'd like to ease into things.

Our website and social links are available on our Linktree:

<https://linktr.ee/portmoodyaftergrad#535524388>

If you have connections to any businesses that may want to sponsor the Science World event or donate to the silent auction, please reach out.

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

# AFTERGRAD

## PMSS AFTER GRAD EVENT SCHEDULE

**@pmssaftergrad**  
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**17 February, 2026**  
11:00AM - CLOSE



NORTH RD. LOCATION

**25 February, 2026**  
OPEN - CLOSE



PIZZA PARLORS  
COQ. & POOCO LOCATIONS

**28 February, 2026**  
6:30PM - 11:30PM  
PMSS PUB NIGHT  
19+ EVENT TO SUPPORT  
PMSS AFTER GRAD



[HTTPS://WWW.ZEFFY.COM/EN-CA/TICKETING/PMSS-AFTERGRAD-PUB-NIGHT](https://www.zeffy.com/en-ca/ticketing/pmss-aftergrad-pub-night)

**16 February, 2026**  
ORDERING OPENS!



ORDERING CLOSES  
MARCH 4TH!

**25 February, 2026**



ORDERING CLOSES END  
OF DAY!

**22 MARCH, 2026**



ORDERING CLOSES END  
OF DAY!

**More exciting  
events to come -  
help us get to our  
fundraising goal!**



<https://sites.google.com/view/portmoodyaftergrad/>  
[HTTPS://LINKTR.EE/PORTMOODYAFTERGRAD](https://linktr.ee/portmoodyaftergrad)

**PMSS  
After Grad**



**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.



by using  
**flipgive**

Download the FlipGive App; visit [flipgive.com/](http://flipgive.com/) join or use the QR code to sign up and start supporting PMSS 2026 After Grad today! Enter Team Code: CJWDGL







**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

ALL YEAR NOW-JUNE



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



**AfterGrad  
PMSS 2026**

Mention:  
"PMSS AFTER GRAD"

# COMMUNITY



## SD43 CLOTHING SWAP

Start Collecting your swappable clothes NOW!

**Don't shop—Swap!** Give your pre-loved clothes a second life and find your new favorite outfit for FREE.

**SATURDAY APRIL 18, 2026**

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

**Location:** Pinetree Community Centre  
1260 Pinetree Way, Coquitlam

### Who can participate?

All SD43 families and friends are welcome. Those that donate will be given VIP entry a time of donation.

### Donation Collection

Spring Break is the perfect time to clean out your closet. Participating Secondary schools will be collecting donations from April 7 - 16.

Please ensure all clothes are clean and in good condition.



**Organizer:** SD43 District Sustainability Leadership Committee - DSL

No price tags. Just Style

Save water and reduce textile waste

Keep the fashion cycle moving within our school



# DAYS OF DONATION

## STUDENT LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

Join us on March 14 (10AM-5PM) at Lincoln Station & Lafarge Station!

**Our Mission:** Collect community donations and make an impact.

**How:** Turn every dollar into care packages for the 3030 Gordon Project Homeless Shelter!

- March 14 2026 Saturday
- 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- 1201 Pinetree Way, Coquitlam, BC & 1140 Pinetree Way, Coquitlam, BC



SCAN THIS!

SD43



Nothin' Dragon is a local community Dragon Boating program that runs programs out of Rocky Point Park. They are offering a youth program that start in April. Details are below, if interested.

<https://nothindragon.org/youth-programs/>

Open to Youth Ages 13 - 18

Program: April 13 – June 1 – 2026 (includes Victoria Day)

Practices: Monday 3:30 - 5:00

Location: Rocky Point Park, Port Moody

Regattas (Races): One regatta (date to be determined)

Price: \$80 (plus GST) – Includes paddles, jersey, safety equipment, & coaching  
(Financial Assistance Available – contact us)