



# Port Moody Times

Tuesday  
April 1, 2025  
Day 1

## **LOST & FOUND**

There are tables set up with all the lost and found items in the MPR by the entrance. Please take a look if you have lost anything. All unclaimed items will be donated.



## **Something Rotten - A Musical**

What do you get when you mix Shakespeare, Broadway, and a whole lot of laughs? Something Rotten!—the side-splitting musical comedy that turns the Renaissance upside down! Come see our Musical Theatre students perform this hilarious comedy! Tickets are \$10 and are available on School Cash Online! April 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 9th, 10th, 11th!

**Buy Tickets Here:**

**[Theatre - Port Moody Secondary School](#)**

## **MATH CONTEST RECOGNITION**

Congratulations to Justin K., James I., Owen Z. for helping PMSS place 11<sup>th</sup> out of 50 and 1<sup>st</sup> in SD43 in the grade 9 Pascal contest.

Congratulations to Jesse M., Hyobeen A., Ethan F. for helping PMSS place 5<sup>th</sup> out of 50 and 1<sup>st</sup> in SD43 in the grade 10 Cayley contest.

Congratulations to Jerry W., Amanda W., Andy W., Roy Z. for helping PMSS place 19<sup>th</sup> out of 50 and 1<sup>st</sup> in SD43 in the grade 11 Fermat contest.

## **OVERDUE LIBRARY MATERIAL**

Green coloured overdue notices were sent home this week to all students who have overdue or missing items as of Friday, February 28th from the Port Moody Secondary Library Learning Commons.

If you or your child received an overdue notice, please take a good look around your space for the overdue and/or missing item(s).

We are looking forward to having our many wandering items return to the fold.

To check your current checkouts, overdue, borrowing history, and fines please visit our Destiny Discover Library Catalogue at <https://search.follettsoftware.com/metasearch/ui/25004> and login at the top right-hand side of the window using your school district credentials. Once logged in, click 'My Stuff' in the top navigation.

*Your Library Learning Commons Team*  
Darren Birch – *Teacher-Librarian*  
Glenda Kukulowicz – *Teacher-Librarian*  
Meagan Huculak – *Library Assistant*  
View our calendar [here](#).

# Important Grad Dates

March 31 <sup>st</sup>	Guest Forms available
March 31 <sup>st</sup>	Valedictorian Applications
April 8 <sup>th</sup> - May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Dinner/Dance and After Grad Tickets on sale online or see Ms. Tetangco in the office
April 9 <sup>th</sup>	Grad Guest Forms submitted by 4:00 pm
April 10 <sup>th</sup>	Valedictorian Nominations submitted by 4:00 pm
April 15 <sup>th</sup> – 17 <sup>th</sup>	Dinner/Dance Seat Selection at lunch in MPR
April 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Valedictorian Speeches – Block 4
May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Last Day for Dinner/Dance and After Grad ticket sales
May 29 <sup>th</sup> – June 9 <sup>th</sup>	Commencement Tickets on sale—online, or See Ms. Tetangco in the office
June 21 <sup>st</sup>	Grad Dinner/Dance – Pinnacle Harbourfront Vancouver Hotel
June 21/22 <sup>nd</sup>	AfterGrad following Grad Dinner - Info TBA
June 18 <sup>th</sup>	Mandatory – Grad Assembly/Cap and Gown pickup
June 25 <sup>th</sup>	Commencement Ceremony at the Orpheum Theatre in Vancouver @ 7:00pm

### GR. 12 OFF BLOCK STICKERS

Gr. 12 students who need off-block stickers can pick them up at lunch in the office. Please bring your student ID Card and a copy of your schedule.

For emergency evacuations, students who are at school during their off block must report to the Off Block Station (students’ parking lot roundabout).

### UBC CALCULUS CHALLENGE EXAM 2025

The UBC Calculus Challenge exam will take place on June 11, 2025. You can find details and information, as well as register for the exam at the site [https://outreach.math.ubc.ca/calc\\_challenge.html/](https://outreach.math.ubc.ca/calc_challenge.html/)

We look forward to seeing you at UBC in June!

### 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.

## 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.

**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.

### 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.

**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!

# 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](#)

**\*NEW\* VFS-Animation Concept Art All Access Pass** is happening on Saturday, April 12, 2025 from 10am – 1pm on their campus at 151 West Cordova St, Vancouver! This is your chance to experience your future as a concept artist for the entertainment industry and game industry. You'll meet & chat with faculty, join an Alumni Roundtable on career-building, experience a photobashing demo, discover how Webtoons are revolutionizing the comic book industry and learn the role of generative AI in animation. To register, click [HERE](#)!

## General Learning Opportunities

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

**\*NEW\* SD43 – What the "L" Program** is offering students the opportunity to participate in a 2-day instructional program with an ICBC instructor to help them prepare for the Learner's Permit test. On the second day of the program, students will take the Learner's Permit test, with the goal of successfully completing it. This program is designed for students who may face barriers in obtaining their learner's permit, including but not limited to: test anxiety, learning challenges, financial need, limited access to resources or vehicles, and others. The program will take place on May 6<sup>th</sup> and May 13<sup>th</sup> from 9am – 2:00pm at Winslow Center and cost \$20.00 to participate. Breakfast and lunch is provided. Interested applicants must fill out an application form found on PMSS Career Centre TEAMS or [website](#) and return it to Ms. Chang (main office, Rm 2013) by April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

**\*NEW\* SD43 First Aid & CPR Training** is being offered at a reduced rate of \$95.00/ student on Wednesday May 21<sup>st</sup> from 8:30am – 4:30pm at Como Lake Middle School! Students must be at least 16 years old with valid government issued ID. Interested applicants must fill out an application form found on PMSS Career Centre TEAMS or [website](#) and return it to Ms. Chang (main office, Rm 2013) by April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

**\*NEW\* Youth Empowering Youth: Free Online Leadership Program** is looking for youth aged 13-18 to participate in their program on Saturdays from April 26 – June 14<sup>th</sup> from 10am – 11:30pm. Their program provides young leaders with an opportunity to develop essential skills such as teamwork, communication, problem-solving, and leadership. Through workshops, mentorship and real-world projects, students will not only enhance their personal growth, but also make a positive impact in their community. Students can also earn 15 hour volunteer hours! If interested, sign-up [HERE](#)!

**Emily Carr Summer 2025 Teen Courses** are available for registration! For students aged 13-15, there is the Junior Arts Institute (\$1530 CAD/ week) – a foundational program that builds foundational knowledge, explores a wide range of creative skills and helps you prepare for Summer Institute for Teens (SIT). SIT (\$2660 CAD) is for students age 16-18 and is an immersive month long portfolio prep program, providing unique, hands-on learning experiences to young creatives. Lastly, there are individual teen workshops + courses (~\$268 – 377) where students can pick topics they are interested in like Drawing, Architecture + Environmental Design or Portfolio Design and Portfolio Review. For more information, click [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\* SFU Summer Camp** is looking for regular and lead volunteers for their summer camps happening June 30 – August 22. Simon Fraser University Summer Camp Volunteers are responsible for helping Camp Instructors provide a safe, fun, and educational environment. Volunteers act as role models for campers and are expected to demonstrate a respectful, positive attitude and strong sportsmanship. Specific duties include assisting instructors with the supervision of campers, coordinating activities, and upholding a welcoming and inclusive space. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by April 17<sup>th</sup>!

**Royal Soccer Club Summer Volunteer Program** is looking for students 14+ to help with their weekly camp sessions from June 30 to August 29, 2025. Your role will be to assist camp staff with activities, mentoring young campers, organizing games, and creating fun and safe environment! You can choose which location in the lower mainland that you can participate in (with 2 locations in Coquitlam). If interested, apply [HERE](#)!

**Learning Buddies Network – Reading/ Math mentor** is looking for virtual volunteers to help little buddies with math/ reading! Prepare lessons with materials provided by the organization, mentor your little buddy, track their progress, attend mentor meetings and complete mentor reports. Commitment is approximately 6-9 hours/ week. If interested, click [HERE](#) to apply!



Scholarship / Awards

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

**\*NEW\* Vietnamese Professional Association of BC Scholarship** (Value: 4 x \$2500) is open to BC high school students who will be enrolled in post-secondary in September of this year, with at least one parent of Vietnamese descent OR the student has been volunteering in a Vietnamese-Canadian non-profit organization, 3.5 GPA, and has volunteering OR involved in provincial/ national sport or academic teams. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

**\*NEW\* Builders of Tomorrow BC Foundation** (value: 3 x \$1500 scholarships, \$1500 x 2 bursaries) are open to applicants between 17-30. Applicants must be enrolled in a construction-related program in BC. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by May 31<sup>st</sup> 2025.

**2025 Prospera Education Grants** (value: \$1000 - \$5000) is open to applicants entering at an accredited post-secondary institution in Greater Vancouver, Fraser Valley, or the Okanagan in September 2025. They must provide their acceptance letter from an accredited post-secondary institution, their transcript and submit a complete and accurate application form. The Local impact Grant is for students who have demonstrated significant involvement in their communities, while the Future Leaders Grant is for students with clear career goals and plans to positively impact their communities post-graduation. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by April 3<sup>rd</sup> , 2025!

**CST Foundation X MyBluePrint Bursary** (value: \$6000 x 25) is open to Canadian citizens, permanent residents or Protected Person in Canada who demonstrate financial need (with priority given to students who are the first generation in their family to attend post-secondary education), have/ will complete high school level education by Fall 2025 and will be accepted to a post-secondary program at an eligible institution in Canada attending Fall 2025. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by April 25, 2025!

**Stuck at Prom Scholarship Contest** (value: <\$15,000) will open for applications March 26, 2025! If you are a legal resident of Canada who is at least 14+ , enrolled in a high school and not a previous finalist, consider creating and wearing prom attire of either a complete dress or Tux using Duck Brand duct tape and/ or Duck brand crafting tape to enter the contest! If interested, apply [HERE](#) by June 26, 2025!

**Herband Sustainable Lifestyle Scholarship** (value: \$1000 x 3) is open for applications! Applicants must be currently enrolled in a Canadian high school, undergraduate or graduate program. Applicants must choose between various application topics that will touch on environmental/ social impact of sustainable lifestyle, commitment to sustainability, creativity, Herband mention and video quality. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025.



ELEMENTARY

July 8 – July 25, 9:00am - 12:00pm

8 LOCATIONS

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.

04 MAR

Registration 6:00am

MIDDLE

July 8 – July 25, 8:45am - 11:45am

3 LOCATIONS

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.

07 MAR

Registration 6:00am

SECONDARY SKILL BUILDING

July 8 – July 25, 8:30am - 11:30am OR 12:00 - 3:00pm

2 LOCATIONS

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.

07 MAR

Registration 6:00am

SECONDARY FULL CREDIT

July 2 – August 7 (6 weeks)  
8:00am – 11:30am OR 12:00pm – 3:30pm

2 LOCATIONS

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.

06 MAY

Registration 6:00am



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

# PARENTS

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

*Next PAC Meeting will be TODAY, Tuesday April 1<sup>st</sup> at 7pm in Room 222.*

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

# GRAD



# AFTER GRAD FUNDRAISERS



## Join us at the Gathered Vintage Market

We're thrilled to invite you, your friends, and family to our Vintage Markets! This is a wonderful community event that will help support this year's After Grad celebration. With a fantastic group of vendors, there's something for everyone!

**Event Dates:** March 15<sup>th</sup> & May 10<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 10 AM - 4 PM

**Entry:** By donation. All proceeds will go toward supporting the After Grad event.

Bring your friends & family and come enjoy a day of shopping, community, and giving back. We look forward to seeing you there!

🔗 Visit our website to learn more:

<https://sites.google.com/view/pmss-after-grad-2025/home#h.90w1oyauzfqg>



## Vancouver Whitecaps FC Ticket Fundraiser

Whether you're a soccer fan, looking for a fun outing with friends, or organizing a team event, we've partnered with the **Vancouver Whitecaps** to offer special ticket prices for some exciting upcoming games. **\$5 from every ticket** sold will be donated to **PMSS After Grad**.

### Special Ticket Pricing:

- Sunday, March 2nd at 2:00 PM vs. LA Galaxy for \$35
- Saturday, May 3rd at 6:30 PM vs. Real Salt Lake for \$30.

[Link to Purchase Tickets](#)



## Purdys Chocolates - Easter Made Easy!

Get ready for Easter with delicious chocolates from **Purdys**! With **pickup at the school on April 14th at 7:00 PM**, it's a convenient way to stock up on treats. Orders are due by **April 5th**—perfect for gifts or enjoying at home, all while supporting **PMSS After Grad**.

[Link to Purdy's Chocolates Online Shopping Fundraiser](#)



## We Need Your Support!

Your Support Makes After Grad Possible.

Please visit our website to support our fundraisers. We're working hard to raise money for After Grad celebrations, covering costs like venue, transportation, food, and prizes.

We welcome donations, sponsors, and encourage you to **Like & Share** on Instagram and Facebook!

<https://sites.google.com/view/pmss-after-grad-2025>



## COMMUNITY

# SD43 CLOTHING SWAP

After Spring Break, clean out your closet and get ready to refresh your wardrobe—swap, don't shop!

**SATURDAY - 12 APRIL, 2025**  
9:00am - 3:00pm

**Location:** Pinetree Secondary  
3000 Pinewood Ave, Coquitlam

**TO KNOW MORE:**



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Save money and refresh your style

Bring clean, gently used clothes

Take home new-to-you fashion

Swap new ones for free





# SD43 CLOTHING SWAP - PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES

Keep clothes out of landfills and reduce the need for new clothing production!

**On Saturday, April 12**, secondary school students across the district will be hosting a district-wide Clothing Swap meet at **Pinetree Secondary School**. This event aims to combat fast fashion by offering a space to recycle quality clothing and find something new-to-you!

## WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

All SD43 families, from elementary to secondary school, are welcome to join. Those that donate will be given priority access, though everyone will be able to participate.

## DONATION COLLECTION

Spring Break is the perfect time to clean out your closet. Secondary schools will be collecting donations from **April 2 – April 10**.

Below, you will find the locations that will be receiving the drop-off:

- Riverside Secondary - 2215 Reeve St, Port Coquitlam
- Terry Fox Secondary - 1260 Riverwood Gate, Port Coquitlam
- Dr. Charles Best Secondary - 2525 Como Lake Ave, Coquitlam
- Pinetree Secondary - 3000 Pinewood Ave, Coquitlam
- Gleneagle Secondary - 1195 Lansdowne Dr, Coquitlam
- Heritage Woods Secondary - 1300 David Ave, Port Moody
- Port Moody Secondary - 300 Albert St, Port Moody

## WHAT TO BRING

- Gently used clothing in good condition (clean, no stains, rips, or excessive wear).
- Clothing for all ages and sizes, including men's, women's, and children's items.
- Also accepting, shoes, jewelry and accessories.

## SWAP DAY GUIDELINES

- **Donate and Earn Credits:** Receive **10 credits for a large bag** (Regular garbage bag) or **5 credits for a small bag** of clothing. Each credit equals one item you can pick up from the swap. Those who donate will receive credits and gain VIP access from 9 AM – 12 PM to exchange credits for clothing. After 12 PM, all SD43 families are invited to take anything for **free** with no limits to what you can take.

Credits will be distributed by the collection teams at your local Secondary schools at time of delivery.







# Spring Recreation for Youth

**Programs begin the week of April 7**

For youth  
in grades  
6-12

<b>NEW!</b> Dance Mix	Badminton	Floor Hockey
Pomo Chefs - Diners, Drive-ins and BBQ's	Pickleball	<b>NEW!</b> Parkour
Standard First Aid & CPR-C/AED	Tennis	Volleyball
<b>NEW!</b> Yoga and Art	<b>Pro-D Day -</b> Babysitter's Training	

Visit [portmoody.ca/signmeup](https://portmoody.ca/signmeup) to register

 @pomoyouth | [portmoody.ca/Youth](https://portmoody.ca/Youth) | 604.469.4556

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CITY OF THE ARTS





# Tri-City Youth REACH Awards

Nominate  
someone  
today!

The Tri-City REACH Awards recognize the generous contributions of individual youth, youth groups, businesses, organizations, and adult mentors in the Tri-Cities who empower, celebrate, and/or impact youth and the community in significant ways.

Submit nominations online at  
[portmoody.ca/youth](https://portmoody.ca/youth)  
or in-person by Apr 25.



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