



# 2025 PMSS Graduation and AfterGrad

## IMPORTANT STUDENT/PARENT UPDATE – March 2025

The purpose of this newsletter is to inform you of the plans for the celebrations recognizing this year's graduating class – The Port Moody Senior Secondary Class of 2025!

This newsletter contains very important information regarding upcoming dates and activities. Please share the information in this newsletter with your child.



<https://tinyurl.com/PMOODYBLUES>

The next few months are extremely busy and very important to our graduates. We ask for your support and encourage you and your child to get involved in helping make the graduation activities successful and memorable for everyone.

Updates available on the school website (<https://tinyurl.com/PMOODYBLUES>). You can also check the school calendar for the school's latest scheduled events (<https://tinyurl.com/PMOODYBLUESCAL>)



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## Important Grad Dates

March 31 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Guest Forms available</b>
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April 8 <sup>th</sup> - May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Dinner/Dance and After Grad Tickets on sale online or see Ms. <b>Tetangco</b> in the office
April 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Grad Guest Forms submitted by 4:00 pm</b>
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



**VALEDICTORIAN  
NOMINATION  
FORM**

<https://forms.office.com/r/TahUSDUT6H>

**GUEST  
FORM**



<https://forms.office.com/r/Yt7WJqBkdt>



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## COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

Orpheum Theatre, Vancouver

884 Granville Street, Vancouver 604-665-3050

June 25th at 7:00pm

**Co-Valedictorians** This year, we will have co-valedictorians—one student in the Dogwood program, and one in IB (certificate or diploma). The co-valedictorians will work together to prepare and deliver their commencement address during the ceremony.

Applications will be available online beginning Monday March 31<sup>st</sup>, and are due on Thursday, April 10th at 4:00 pm. Candidate speeches will be presented during the Grad Assembly on Wednesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Voting will take place after the assembly and the co-Valedictorian will be announced at the end of the day.

**Student Arrival** Students arrive at 6:00 pm to prepare for the processional and ceremony. Theatre doors open at 6:30 pm for families to select their seats. Families will need tickets. Graduating students do not need a ticket.

**Cap and Gowns** Wednesday, June 18th, pick up caps and gowns from the Drama Room immediately after assembly. Grads can then take plenty of photos beforehand. Students keep their caps and gowns after the ceremony.

**Tickets** All family and guests must have tickets. Between May 29<sup>th</sup> to June 9th, tickets will be available to purchase ONLINE for \$10.00 each. There is no limit! Graduating students DO NOT need to purchase a ticket.

**Audience notes** Commencement is a formal ceremony that can last up to three (3) hours and may not be suitable for small children.

**Accessible Seating** Orpheum ushers will seat individuals with mobility challenges prior to the theatre opening. Email Vice-Principal Colin Cameron (cocameron@sd43.bc.ca) to make arrangements. If anyone in your party needs to take regular breaks, you may find it desirable to choose a seat in the balcony where elevators and washrooms are easily accessible.



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## GRAD DINNER & DANCE

**Pinnacle Vancouver Harbourside Hotel**

**1133 West Hastings St. Vancouver 604-689-9211**

**Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup> – 6:00pm to 11:00pm**

**Who May attend** PMSS Grade 12 Students with one (preapproved) outside guest if desired.

**Photo Opportunities** Approximately 5:30 pm at the Pinnacle. Families are welcome to watch the graduates arrive for their event. This is the place for photo opportunities! Families will not be attending the dinner dance.

**Guests** Students who would like to bring a guest, who is not a PMSS Graduating Grade 12 student, must pick up a Guest Pass Application available online, beginning March 31<sup>st</sup>. Completed forms must be submitted by April 9<sup>th</sup>. The school administration approves all guests before purchasing tickets. The approved guest will be attached to the PMSS students' SchoolCashOnline account.

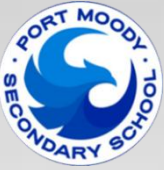
**Tickets** Tickets will be available on SchoolCashOnline April 8<sup>th</sup> -May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Students must have completed their School Policy Form and have no outstanding debts (e.g. fees, uniforms, books) in order to purchase their ticket. The cost will be determined shortly (last year, the cost was \$170).

Financial assistance will be available to ensure ALL can participate. See your counsellor for information.

**Families** Families are encouraged to participate in the evening by volunteering at the AfterGrad; a continuation of the Grad Celebrations that includes music, games, and prizes in a carnival like atmosphere. More information to come.







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## THE AFTER GRAD CELEBRATION

MORE INFORMATION AND DETAILS TO FOLLOW

Stay up to date!

<http://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/portmoody>

To see the most up-to-date calendar of the school's latest scheduled events: <https://tinyurl.com/PMOODYBLUESCAL>



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