



# 2026 PMSS Graduation and AfterGrad

## IMPORTANT STUDENT/PARENT UPDATE

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 2026!

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 30 <sup>th</sup>	Valedictorian Applications
March 9 <sup>th</sup> - May 1 <sup>st</sup>	Dinner/Dance and After Grad Tickets on sale online or see Ms. <b>Tetangco</b> in the office
April 9 <sup>th</sup>	Valedictorian Nominations submitted by 4:00 pm
April 21 <sup>st</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Dinner/Dance Seat Selection at lunch in MPR
April 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Valedictorian Speeches – Block 4
May 1 <sup>st</sup>	Last Day for Dinner/Dance and After Grad ticket sales
May 18 <sup>th</sup> – May 29 <sup>th</sup>	Commencement Tickets on sale—online, or See Ms. Tetangco in the office
June 1 <sup>st</sup> – June 12 <sup>th</sup>	Additional Commencement Ticket Sales (in the office)
June 20 <sup>th</sup>	Grad Dinner/Dance – Pan Pacific Hotel
June 20/21 <sup>st</sup>	AfterGrad following Grad Dinner - Info TBA
June 17 <sup>th</sup>	Mandatory – Grad Assembly/Cap and Gown pickup
June 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Commencement Ceremony at the Centre Church @ 7:00pm



## VALEDICTORIAN NOMINATION FORM

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



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## COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

The Centre, Vancouver

June 22nd at 7:00pm

777 Homer Street, Vancouver 604-282-3965

**Co-Valedictorians** This year we will have 2 Valedictorians (co-valedictorians). One will be representing the Standard Graduation Program, and the other will represent the IB Program (either the diploma or the certificate). The co-valedictorians will work together to prepare and deliver their commencement address during the ceremony.

Applications will be available online beginning Monday March 30<sup>th</sup>, and are due on Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm. Shortlisted candidates will be notified on April 15<sup>th</sup> through school email and candidate speeches will be presented during the Grad Assembly on Wednesday, April 22<sup>nd</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 17<sup>th</sup>, 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 18<sup>th</sup> to May 29<sup>th</sup>, tickets will be available to purchase ONLINE for \$10.00 each. You can purchase a maximum of 5 tickets per student. Graduating students DO NOT need to purchase a ticket. Extra tickets will be available at the office (limit 2 per person) from June 1<sup>st</sup> to June 12<sup>th</sup>.

**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** Ushers will seat individuals with mobility challenges prior to the theatre opening. Email Vice-Principal Shaunna Martin ([smartin@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:smartin@sd43.bc.ca)) to make arrangements.



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## GRAD DINNER & DANCE

**Oceans 999 at the Pan Pacific Hotel**

999 Canada Place, Vancouver 604-662-8111

**Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup> – 6:00pm to 11:00pm**

<b>Who May attend</b>	<b>PMSS Grade 12 Students.</b>
<b>Photo Opportunities</b>	<b>Approximately 5:30 pm at the Pan Pacific. 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.</b>
<b>Guests</b>	<b>The venue has limited seating and can only accommodate members of the graduating class. Additional guests will not be able to attend this event.</b>
<b>Tickets</b>	<b>Tickets will be available on SchoolCashOnline March 9<sup>th</sup> -May 1<sup>st</sup>. The cost will be \$185.</b>
<b>Seat Selection</b>	<b>Students must complete their School Policy Form and have no outstanding debts (e.g. fees, uniforms, books) to be able to select their seats.  Financial assistance will be available to ensure ALL can participate. See your counsellor for information.</b>
<b>Families</b>	<b>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.</b>





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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>



- Tickets will be available on SchoolCashOnline March 9<sup>th</sup> – May 1<sup>st</sup>. The cost will be \$65.
- Please note that students will only be admitted to Science World, if they were in attendance at the Dinner Dance.
- Transportation for the evening
  - Students will arrive at the Pan Pacific Hotel (999 Canada Place, Vancouver) on their own.
  - The AfterGrad Parent Committee will be providing bus transportation:
    - from Dinner / Dance to Science World for the AfterGrad Celebration
    - From Science World to PMSS at the end of the evening.

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