



Port Moody Times

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NEW NEWS

INSTAGRAM:

Stay connected and look for some upcoming fun activities and contests by following us on Instagram!

Follow your student council at pmss stuco

Follow the official school site at portmoodyibsecondary

GRAD CLASS 2020: On **Wednesday, May 13th** we will send information to you regarding Graduation 2020. This will be sent by email and posted on our app under the grad 2020 channel. A reminder - Valedictorian applications are due this **Friday (May 15th)**.

ALL GRADE 12's: All grade 12's. Capstone exit interviews for CLC 12 will be on **Friday, May 15th** and will be done through a video meeting. More information will be sent to you through your CLC class Team, please check it regularly and mark May 15th on your calendar. If you have concerns about technology (lack of video camera in computer, etc.) please email your CLC teacher as soon as possible.

SCHOLARSHIPS / BURSARIES: Have you been awarded scholarships or bursaries from universities, colleges or other sponsors? If so, we want to list your Awards in the 2020 Commencement Programme! Please send the details of your awards (name of post-secondary institution, or scholarship sponsor/Award name), or forward email messages of congratulations to Head Secretary, Ms. Pfungsten at epfungsten@sd43.bc.ca for publication as soon as possible.

CONGRATULATIONS! We wish to acknowledge another PMSS student who has received a scholarship for her outstanding work in the arts at Place des Arts! **Cally Y**, grade 12, for Advanced Musical Studies.

ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS: We are working hard on the yearbook, but as you can imagine, things have been difficult since the lockdown and not being at the school. Because of this, we are hoping that all students will help with photos for the yearbook. 2020 is going to be remembered for years to come, and we want to document that. We would like for each student to take a photo (selfie or other) of themselves at home. The photo should show you (your face) and where you have been working on your school work. We want to show the diversity of learning we are all experiencing this year! Please email the photo to 088-yearbook2020@sd43.bc.ca The cut off for these photos will be **Wednesday, May 13th**, so don't delay!

ATTENTION ALL GRADE 12's: Please follow the link below to fill out a survey for the yearbook. If you want a say in who gets voted best hair, best smile, etc. The cut off for these surveys will be **Wednesday, May 13th**, so don't delay!

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=74xI2ZICUkKZJWRC3iSkS4f0IRq-ab9MvSrC6pl25wBUNzBMN01TV0g4UkYxQ05PSEJERzJJSDhCTS4u>

LIBRARY – VIRTUAL RESOURCES: Did you know the Port Moody Secondary Library Learning Commons hosts several collections of virtual resources curated by teachers and librarians?

These collections cover many topics from the Industrial Revolution to Covid-19. They can be accessed by visiting our library catalogue page <https://search.follettsoftware.com/metasearch/ui/25004>

Watch this short video and learn how to access Destiny Collections <https://web.microsoftstream.com/video/cb582cc1-56d4-4f47-9dec-cf3d58e107ff?list=studio>

For those who are more text based learners, you can follow these instructions to access the collections: go to the PMSS LLC Destiny Discover catalogue page (URL above); log-in using your school user name and password; click on the menu (three bar) icon; choose collections and there you are.

Collections can be searched using the search bar at the top of the page.

ACCESS THOUSANDS OF eBooks FOR FREE: Our library service provider, Follett, is now offering free interactive and eBooks until the end of June. You just need to follow the steps in the link below to register.

Click the link below to get started:

https://cloud.k12edu.follett.com/lightbox-av2-offer?j=43673&sfmc_sub=17914741&l=171_HTML&u=1448588&mid=100016608&jb=4&utm_campaign=&utm_medium=email&utm_source=MarketingCloud&utm_content=eLearning+Weekly+April+2020

Once you have filled out the online registration you will see this screen below with your new login information and the website. **Be sure to bookmark the website for easier access in the future.*

Thank You!

Your login credentials are:

1. Go to destinydiscover.com.
2. In the Location box, it says "Any Location." Do not change.
3. In the School box, enter "Follett eLearning, McHenry, IL" and click Go!
4. To log in, click on the "Log In" button at the top right of the screen.

Username: guest
Password: follett

You may share this login info with teachers, parents and students. Please don't post login info to public forums or social media.

Current Destiny users, do not log in with your account. Use this login info to access all free eBook offerings.

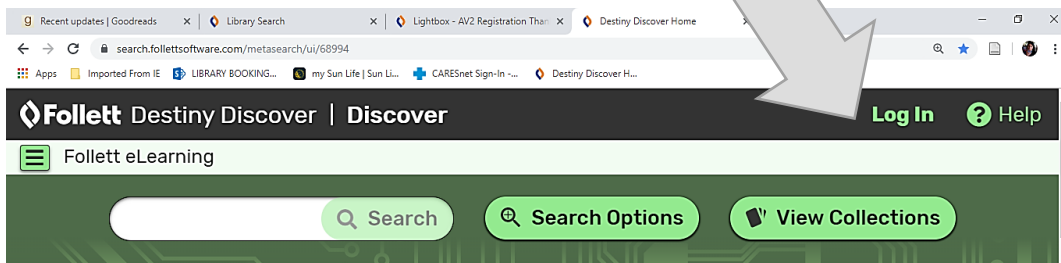
For more information about eLearning, please visit [Follett Community](https://follettcommunity.com).

Once you are on the site:

You will log in using the information provided above

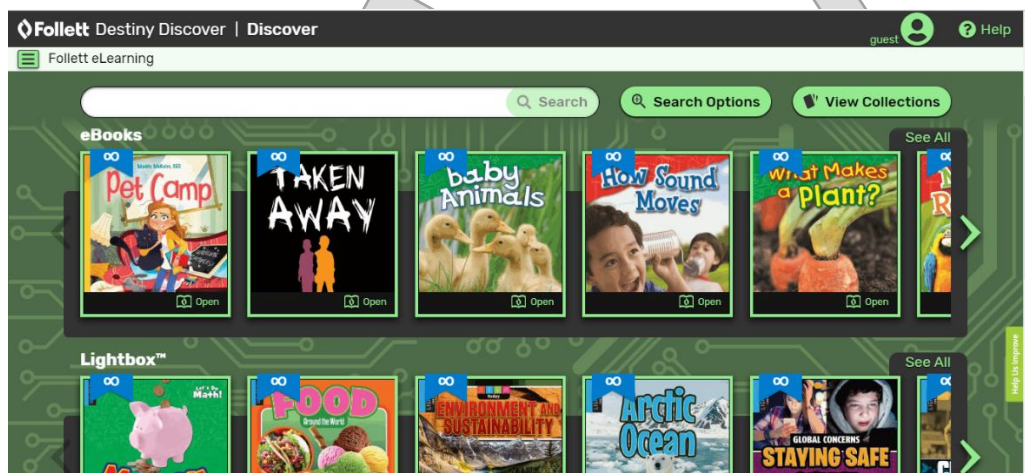
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Password: follett



After you have logged in, you will now have access to eBooks and other materials, the site will look similar in layout with our Destiny Discover that we use in our school library.

You can click on "See All" to expand a collection. Use the search function to look for specific materials. You can also click on search options to narrow down resources by grade level and key word and format type (*this is important to select if you just want eBooks*).



SD43 INDIGENOUS SCHOLARSHIPS 2020 – Deadline extended! Students interested in applying for the **Brenda Kearns Indigenous Bursary** or the **Indigenous Education Bursary** have until **Friday, May 15** to submit their applications and supporting documents to the Aboriginal/Indigenous Education Department by email to Mr. Rob Cowie at

rcowie@sd43.bc.ca . Application forms and instructions are on the PMSS website, Career Centre section/Financial & Scholarships page.

SFU ADMISSIONS AND NEW STUDENT UPDATES! - To support admitted students, SFU has extended their offer acceptance deadline to June 1, 2020. An email was sent to all admitted students on May 4 to notify them of the extension. SFU is STILL EVALUATING applications and will make more offers throughout May. If you're wondering about if you're going to receive an offer, keep checking your SFU Student Centre for updates at go.sfu.ca.

Next Steps: On Demand and University Prep:

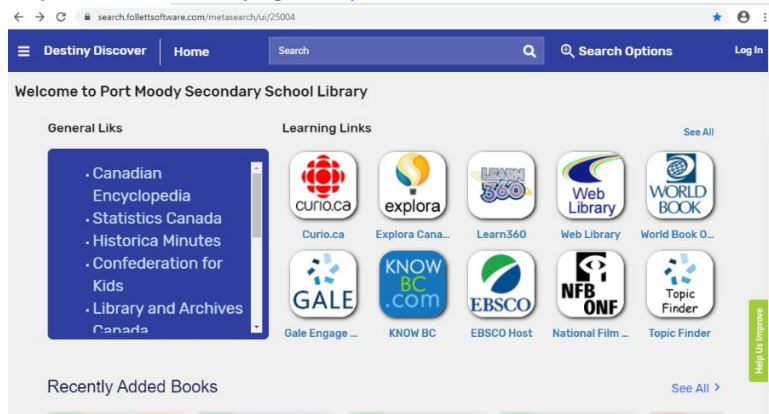
SFU encourages all admitted students to join **Next Steps: On Demand**, discussing what comes next after students accept their offer of admission, why students should join us in September, support resources available, and includes messages from current SFU students. There is also specific information for parents and families!

After you accept your offer, make sure to complete **University Prep: Step 1**: a short introduction to the basic tools and resources that assist new students with a smooth transition to SFU, including preparation for course enrollment.

UBC GEERING UP – STEM Club Online Volunteering Opportunity! UBC Geering Up is looking for Junior Instructors (Grade 10 & up) to deliver STEM programming for up to 20 kids in grades 4-12 in two-week long ONLINE clubs, running mornings and afternoons from May 25 – June 5, and June 8 – June 19. A full description of the position can be found [here](#); application form [here](#). **Applications close on May 15.**

ONGOING NEWS

RESEARCH TIPS: Are you looking for good videos to watch to support your learning at home? There are hundreds of videos available for students to view using Learn 360 on our Library website. All the videos are approved for use by the School District, so you do not have to spend hours looking for appropriate videos to watch on Youtube. To access this free resource, go to the Destiny Discover home page. <https://search.follettsoftware.com/metasearch/ui/25004>



The Destiny Discover home page comes up with several different icons. If you click your cursor on the Learn 360 icon it will take you to the page shown below. Your username **and** password is sd43u. Then click on the login button.

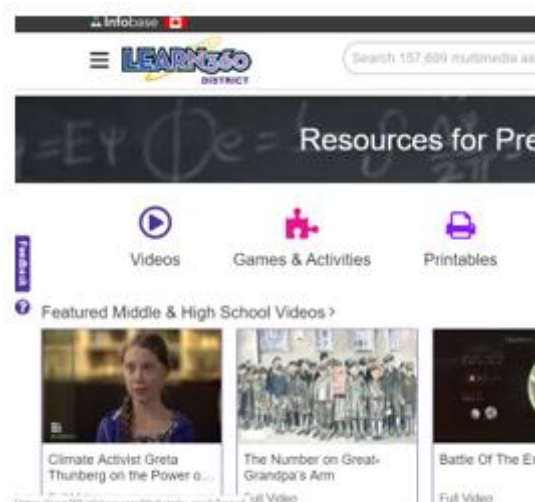
This will take you to the Learn 360 search engine. Click on videos.



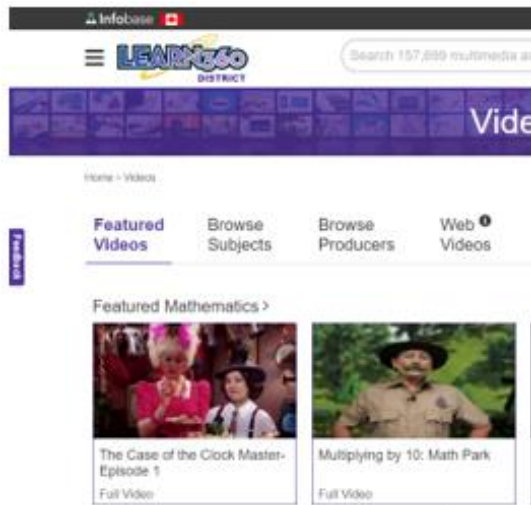
Welcome to the BC Digital Classroom remote access page, enter the (case sensitive) username and password provided by your teacher, librarian or BC Digital Classroom contact person.

Enter your username:

Enter your password:



This will take you to the following screen.



Now you can search by subject. Once you enter your preferred subject, you can use the filters to search for videos you would like to watch.

GETTING TO KNOW THE PMSS STAFF: Over the coming weeks we will be highlighting a number of our PMSS staff by including profiles in The Times. Be sure to read them! We hope this helps you get to know the people that call PMSS home.

CURRENT GRADE 11 STUDENTS: The school district is still taking applications for its “**TRAIN in Trades**” programs for next school year. These amazing **tuition-free** programs offer students the opportunity to **gain their level 1 certification**, while still in high school, in 19 different trades. Information and application forms can found at [43Careers.com](https://www.43careers.com) or by contacting Doug MacLean (cell: 604-341-8977 or dmaclean@sd43.bc.ca). Space is limited, please inquire soon if interested.

ACCESS TO NELSON AND PEARSON TEXTBOOKS: Both Pearson and Nelson Publishing have made a number of their texts available to students and families. To access Pearson resources please follow this link <https://tinyurl.com/uhwhlr>. For Nelson resources please follow this link <https://tinyurl.com/w4hslcc>.

COVID-19 PROVINCIAL SUPPORT AND INFORMATION:

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/covid-19-provincial-support?utm_campaign=20200319_GCPE_AM_COVID_4_NOTIFICATION_BCGOV_BCGOV_EN_BC_NOTIFICATION

British Columbians can use the new provincial phone service by calling 1-888-COVID19, available seven days a week from 7:30AM to 8:00PM, with information in over 110 languages. Specific public health questions re: COVID-19 should be directed to your local health authority for response.

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION: SAFE & HEALTHY SCHOOLS:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/administration/program-management/safe-caring-and-orderly-schools>

SCHOOL DISTRICT 43:

<https://www.sd43.bc.ca/NewsEvents/Pages/COVID-19.aspx#/=>

<https://www.sd43.bc.ca/faq/Pages/default.aspx#/=>

STUDENT SUPPORT: Any teens needing additional support at this time with mood or anxiety please visit:

<https://www.gv.ymca.ca/mental-wellness>

<https://bouncebackbc.ca>

PMSS: Please make sure to stay connected by downloading the My School Day App <https://myschoolday.app/> for the latest updates and by following us on twitter @pmss43.

PMSS TIMES: The PMSS Times will be distributed on Mondays and Wednesdays.

CAREER CENTRE NEWS

Post-Secondary Information, Admissions Updates, New Post-Secondary Programs, Scholarships, Volunteering, Employment, Career Programs & Training, Leadership and Enrichment Programs

ITALIAN-CANADIAN \$1000 SCHOLARSHIPS – The Confratellanza Italo-Canadese Society is offering several \$1000 scholarships to students of *Italian origin* (having at least one parent or grandparent of direct Italian descent) who live within the GVRD and will be entering a post-secondary program in 2020. Application forms are available online; visit the school's website/Career Centre/Financial Aid & Scholarships: <https://tinyurl.com/Career-Centre-Scholarships>. Applications must be post-marked **JUNE 15/20** to meet the deadline.

STILL HUNTING FOR SCHOLARSHIPS? – Visit the Career Centre on the PMSS website, and check the Scholarships page. You'll find an outstanding scholarship resource called *Scholar Tree* in the list of Scholarship Search engines. With the school year coming to an end, ScholarTree.ca has added as many scholarships to their platform as possible. May is the end of peak scholarship season so there are a lot of awards with upcoming deadlines. Scholar Tree is currently advertising 45 scholarships that equate to 358 awards and a total of **\$690,750**, but you must apply this month!

YOUTH TRANSFORMING SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIPS FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE – \$500 - The YTS, a registered, student-led group annually supports a scholarship program recognizing student dedication and commitment to service in the community. Students must have a minimum academic average of 70%, be actively involved in voluntary pursuits of any kind, and must be attending a Canadian post-secondary institution in September 2020. Visit www.youthtransformingsociety.org and click on 'YTS Scholarship' for detailed instructions and the application form. Deadline to apply: **May 23/20 at 11:59 pm**

COQUITLAM VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES DURING COVID-19 - Coquitlam has been forced to suspend some volunteer programs, but there are still ways to make a difference during the COVID-19 pandemic. In some cases, procedures and requirements have temporarily changed to ensure physical distancing. For example, orientations may take place by phone or video chat. Check <https://www.coquitlam.ca/city-hall/career-and-volunteering/volunteer.aspx> for details and to contact program coordinators.

COQUITLAM TEACHER'S ASSOCIATION - ROY KRUTOW \$1250 SCHOLARSHIP – 2 scholarships are awarded annually to the son or daughter of an SD43 teacher, current or retired/deceased – criteria: academic achievement, school involvement; preference given to students planning a career in education. FILLABLE application form on Career Centre online <https://tinyurl.com/PMSS-Scholarships> ; deadline to apply: **July 1/20**

GET A HEADSTART IN ART WITH EMILY CARR UNIVERSITY AT GLENEAGLE SECONDARY – Register for Emily Carr's degree credit "Drawing & 2D Language" first year Studio course (FNDD 106) offered at Gleneagle Secondary this fall, **Tuesdays, 6 – 9 pm, Sept. 15 – Dec 8/20**. Available to current Grade 11 or Grade 12 students or recent graduates. Students who achieve a B grade or higher will be approved to have their portfolio requirement waived for admission to ECU! Visit Sd43's Career & Trades Programs/Post-Secondary Courses at [http://www.sd43.bc.ca/CareerPrograms/Pages/TransitionPrograms.aspx#/="](http://www.sd43.bc.ca/CareerPrograms/Pages/TransitionPrograms.aspx#/=) for admission requirements and the application form. **(Note that Diploma Verification forms will be provided directly to Emily Carr University by SD43)**. Only 20 spaces available. Instructions from SD43 Transitions Coordinator:

- Students will **print off and complete the application**
 - Ignore "student number" on page 5: students do not have an ECUAD number, leave it blank
 - Students and Parents need to complete fully. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- When they are ready to submit **only pages 2, 5 and 6** of the application:
 - **Create a .pdf use a scanner or a free app** (like "Lens" in Office 365 or "Scanner for Me")
 - **Send those 3 pages directly to Joni Taylor at Emily Carr U. (jtaylor@ecuad.ca) by May 22/20**
 - Applications will be ranked by date of receipt.

BCIT ENTRANCE AWARDS – 25 President's Entrance Awards valued at **\$4,000** are offered **ONLY** to graduating high school students entering programs between *April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021*. More than 125 additional BCIT Entrance Awards are also available, at **\$6,000** each. Award package at www.bcit.ca/finaid

PARENTS

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

PMSS GRAD 2020

AFTERGRAD ANNOUNCEMENTS:

AFTERGRAD BOTTLE AND CAN DONATIONS:

You can drop off your bottles and cans at any Return-it Depot by using the Express drop off. Just enter the school's phone number (604-939-6656) at the kiosk. Select AfterGrad 2020, then print your bag tags, stick one tag per clear bag of empties and leave in the Express bin. AfterGrad will greatly benefit from your donation and you will benefit by being rid of cans and bottles quickly and easily!

ME-n-ED'S PIZZA FUNDRAISER:

Port Moody After Grad Committee is asking for your support with our Me-n-Ed's Pizza Fundraiser. Order on the 3rd Thursday of each month (dine in, delivery or take out until May 21st. Coquitlam and Port Coquitlam locations of Me-n-Ed's Pizza Parlors are participating.



We earn 20% from each order but you MUST mention that it is an order to support Port Moody Secondary After Grad for us to earn the 20%. Anyone can order and support this - tell your neighbours and relatives. Thank you for your support! Mark your calendars on the following date: May 21st.

\$2,000 CASH RAFFLE FUNDRAISER:

The Parent AfterGrad Committee would like to congratulate the following winners of our Cash Raffle:

- \$250 early bird draw winner on April 1st was **Rob Nevalainen**, ticket #100
- \$250 runner-up winner on May 6th was **Sharon Congram**, ticket #162
- \$2,000 Grand Prize winner was **Colin Carter**, ticket #255

COMMUNITY NEWS

Coquitlam Continuing Education

The school district will be opening registration soon for summertime Grade 10-12 high school credit courses. The following two options will be provided as Distributed Learning through Coquitlam Open Learning:

Coquitlam Open Learning Gr 10-12:

Grade 10-12 full credit courses

Free to eligible school-aged BC Residents aged 13 to 19 years old.

Registration available to students enrolled in SD43 schools only, starting this Friday May 8, 2020. Students are not eligible for courses they are currently taking in their current schools, (they can take those starting in July, including Fast Track)

Online courses with flexible start dates which should be completed within 10 months of registration. Students will participate in various online activities which may include Moodle online lessons, online discussions, and e-mail interactions with the teacher. Students can begin these courses within a few days after registering.

Registration information: www.ce43.com

Course information: <https://tinyurl.com/SD43COL>

Fast Track Gr 10-12: Complete a full credit course from July 2 to August 3:

Fast Track courses follow a blended learning model:

- two weekly synchronous class sessions (Tues/Thurs or Wed/Fri, mornings or afternoons (see specific courses for scheduling). These class sessions will most likely be conducted online.
- three days of online work. Teachers will be available these days for online tutorial support.

Note: This program is best suited for students wishing to complete the selected course within a 6-week timeline.

Program Dates: July 2 - August 7 (Note: there will be no tutorials July 27 and August 3)

Program Times: Tues/Thurs or Wed/Fri, mornings or afternoons

Registration information: www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca

Course information: <https://tinyurl.com/SD43FastTrack>

Registration begins at 6:00 AM on Tuesday May 19, 2020.

Registration is closed to International Students (who can register for high school credit courses at <http://www.internationale.com/>)

Registration in May available to students enrolled in SD43 schools only. Non-SD43 students may register on or after June 1. For registration and course information visit

www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca

Summer Learning Statement: COVID-19:

At this time registration for our summer learning programs (**Elementary Skill Building, Middle Skill Building, Secondary Skill Building and Secondary Remedial**) has been postponed until further notice. We continue to plan for summer learning under the direction of the ministries of Health and Education and will provide an update on our website as soon as more information becomes available. At this time we are unable to confirm that this year's summer learning program will run and should we be able to move ahead with summer learning the program likely be significantly smaller in scope and the delivery format will likely be significantly different.

Check our website for information and updates: www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca

[Coquitlam Continuing Education](http://www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca)

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Get to know...

Yvonne Swistak



Something I am learning about or something I am reading right now is...

Learning: Digital Literacy Skills to supplement online learning.

Reading: 'Greenwood' by Michael Christie.

My Favourite book is...

Too many to list but here are a few:
 'Captain Corelli's Mandolin' by Louis de Bernieres,
 'Atonement' by Ian McEwan and
 'All the Light We Cannot See' by Anthony Doerr.

I have been a teacher for...

30 years.

My worst or my most interesting job was...

Worst: server at Pizza Patio next to the Capitol 6 Theatre in downtown Vancouver. They fired me when they found out I was only 12 years old.

Most interesting: a radio reporter/news announcer for CJOR News and JR Country.

I am most proud of...

my two children who are graduates of Port Moody Secondary.

I spend my spare time...

reading, walking my dog, and spending time with my family.

When I was in High School...

I was voted most likely to become Prime Minister.

If I was not a teacher I would be:

The new host of Diners, Drive-ins and Dives. I love to eat and I love to travel!



Get to know...

Mr. Meredith



Something I am learning about or something I am reading right now is...

Ms. Simmons and I are currently reading a musical a week over TEAMS with PMSS students who are musical theatre fans. Send me an e-mail if you are interested in joining!

My Favourite book is...

the complete works of William Shakespeare.

I have been a teacher for...

3 years. Time really goes by quite quickly!

My worst or my most interesting job was...

I will go most interesting. I used to work at Walt Disney World in Florida in the Canadian Pavilion in EPCOT.

I am most proud of...

winning a television baking contest and having my parents shed tears of joy for how proud they were of me.

I spend my spare time...

reading theatre, planning my next travel adventure, and board games with friends.

When I was in High School...

I was a theatre kid who spent every lunch hour eating in the green room with other theatre students.

If I was not a teacher I would be:

acting on stage somewhere or baking delicious treats in my own bakery.