

Grade 12 Parent and Student Night

September 20, 2018

1. Welcome! Introductions and scope of the evening
 - a. George Kozlovic, Principal
 - b. Dean Pacheco, Vice-Principal
 - c. Gord Yu, Vice Principal
 - d. Elizabeth Hadley (A-L) & Amber Blount (M-Z), Senior Counsellor
2. Advice from administration – Mr. Kozlovic
3. Upcoming Grad Events & What to Expect:
 - a. Mr. Penner, Mr. Harrison & Ms. Murray
 - i. Grad Council Events: Grad Cruise, Pirate Day, Homecoming and Laser Tag & Casino Night – Mr. Penner & Mr. Harrison
 - ii. Prom & Convocation – Ms. Murray and Ms. Blount
 - iii. Grad Photos – Mr. Yu
4. Career Advisor – Ms. Athina Czuprynski
5. Grad Transitions – Mr. Yu
6. Grad Credits; Course Selections/Changes; Post-Secondary Night on Oct. 4, 2018; CUE Event at Langley Events Center on Sept 27 from 12-3pm – Mrs. Hadley & Mrs. Blount
7. Questions and Answers

There will also be a Dry Grad meeting to be held at the end of this meeting.

GRAD 2019

Events Information Package

Grad Sponsors:

Grad Council & Grad Events:

Mr. S. Penner
Mr. D. Harrison
Ms. C. Murray

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Counseling:

Mrs. E. Hadley
Mrs. A. Blount

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Grad Clothing:

Ms. K. McDonald

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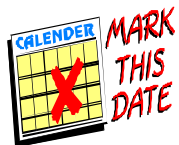
Grad Transitions:

Mr. G. Yu

gyu@sd35.bc.ca

Grad 2019

Important Dates:



Grade 12 Student/Parent Evening	September 20
C.U.E. Event (Langley Event Centre)	September 27
Grad Cruise Tickets on sale (Penner)	Sept 12-Oct 10
Pirate Day BBQ for grade 8's (Harrison)	October 3
Post-Secondary Information Evening (Counselling)	October 4
Grad Cruise (Penner)	October 17
Scholarship Presentation @ WGSS (7-9pm)	October 18
Grad Pumpkin Carving	October 30
Grad Portraits (Yu)	Nov 16-18
Homecoming Tickets on sale (Grad Council)	Nov 22-Dec 6
Grad Trans Presentations (Semester 1 EN12)	Dec 4-8
Homecoming (Grad Council)	December 13
Yearbook Baby Photo due (Sandquist)	December 21
Grad Trans Presentations (AP EN12)	Feb 4-9
Grad Ceremony Write-up due (Counselling)	May 1
Grad Trans Presentations (Sem 2 EN12/Comm12)	April 8-12
Laser Tag/ Casino Night (Grad Council)	April 11
Ceremony & Prom Tickets on sale (Murray/Blount)	May 6-17
Mandatory Grad Assembly	June 5
Scholarship Tea (Counselling)	June 12
Grad Gown Pick up in Career Centre (Counselling)	June TBD
Graduation Convocation (Harrison)	June 19
Prom (Murray/Blount)	June 27

Expectations to Graduate

DW Poppy takes graduation seriously. In order to participate in the Graduation Ceremony at DW Poppy Secondary, students must have taken enough credits, and be in a position to pass their remaining courses, by May 1st, 2019.

Student attendance and behavior throughout the year is also taken into consideration when we review the names of students who will be participating in the Graduation ceremony.

Should students not be in a position to graduate, grade 12 students *may* still be allowed to participate in the school's Graduation Prom event *with permission* from administration.

Graduation Transitions

Graduation Transitions 12 is a mandatory course that encourages students to:

- Take ownership of their own health and learning
- Examine and demonstrate connections between their learning and their future
- Create a plan for their growth and development as skilled, healthy, knowledgeable, participating citizens
- Exhibit attributes of the BC graduate (intellectual, human/social, career areas)

In order to be eligible for graduation, students must be able to demonstrate that they have met specific requirements in the areas of Personal Health, Community Connections and Career and Life.

All students will be completing their Grad Transitions on myBlueprint. If you have not already set up a myBlueprint account go www.dwpoppy.ca and follow the link on "Setting up myBlueprint account". As part of Grad Trans there are several activities and a visual portfolio that need to be completed. A checklist of requirements is available for download in the DWP Grad Transitions Package. Fillable pdfs that can be attached your portfolio are also available.

If you need assistance using myBlueprint or completing any of the required activities see Mr. Gollub, your Counsellor, or Mr. Yu.

All students must have their Grad Trans package completed and be ready to present their myBlueprint portfolio on or before their scheduled presentation date. Presentation dates and times will be booked for students and the schedule will be posted on the school website as well as outside the front office. If you are ready to present early please contact Mr. Yu.

All grade 12s must have their Grad Transitions completed by the following dates:

Semester 1 EN12 – December 4-8, 2018

ENG AP 12 – February 4-9, 2019

Semester 2 EN12/COMM12 – April 8-12, 2019

Grad Council

Any student who is in grade 12 is welcome to attend our Grad Council meetings Wednesdays at lunch in Room 130. Grad activities such as Homecoming, spirit days, Grad Laser Tag, etc. are all organized through Grad Council and we're always in need of creative ideas and more hands to help run our events.

Scholarship Tea (Langley Golf Centre)

This year's scholarship winners will be participating in an afternoon of celebration on **June 12, 2019** with members of the community who will be presenting this year's district scholarships. The celebration will give students and presenters the opportunity to meet and celebrate their successes. Specific information will be given out in May. All scholarship winners *must* attend. These scholarship winners will also be publicly acknowledged during our Graduation Ceremony.

Poppy Grad Wear

2019 Poppy Grad Wear is now available for purchase. See Mrs. McDonald for samples and order forms.

GRADUATION PROM

Graduation Prom & Reception

Thursday, June 27, 2019

Newlands Golf & Country Club, Langley BC

- Prom tickets will be on sale May 6-17 @ lunch only. Location will be announced closer to the date.
- The ticket price includes a buffet dinner, dessert, unlimited pop, DJ, facility rental and decorations, security & gratuities. Ticket price is \$90. Information about how to purchase tickets online will be released in the spring.
- Students may purchase as many tickets as they wish. Family members are welcome *and* encouraged to attend.
- Students will reserve their tables when they purchase their tickets
- **Approved guest passes are required in order to purchase tickets for any non-Poppy individuals attending as a 'date' or 'guest' with the grad.** Guest passes will be available in the office and must be approved by administration in order to purchase a ticket.
- The event runs from 5:30pm-12:00pm. Students are responsible for arranging their own ride to and from prom.
- Prom is a school-event and so all school rules apply. Students arriving under the influence or possession of drugs or alcohol will not be permitted entry into prom.
- A reminder that prom is a **formal event** and attire should reflect this.
- There are no in and out privileges at the event.
- At the end of the evening, transportation to Dry Grad (for those students attending) will be arranged by the Dry Grad Parent Committee. Students not attending Dry Grad must make their own arrangements for pickup at the venue.

More detailed information about how to purchase tickets will be released in the spring at a Grade 12 assembly. If you have questions before then, please contact Ms. Murray at cmurray@sd35.bc.ca

****We also offer a DESSERT ONLY option for parents****

For parents who wish to see the grads in their gowns and tuxedos, hear the speeches and participate in dancing, you may purchase a ticket for \$35.00 (includes dessert, coffee/tea, unlimited pop).

Please note: this option is for parents & family members only.

GRADUATION CONVOCATION

Graduation Convocation

Wednesday, June 19, 2019

Chandos Pattison Auditorium at Pacific Academy, 10238 168th Street, Surrey

- Ceremony tickets will be on sale May 6-17 @ lunch only. Location will be announced closer to the date
- Ceremony tickets are \$5 each. Each grad may purchase up to 8 tickets. Information about purchasing tickets online will be made available in the spring
- People who require *extra* tickets for the ceremony may purchase them starting June 1st.
- The ceremony takes approximately two hours and is therefore not appropriate for babies and small children.
- Grads will be able to pick up caps and gowns during the week of June 17th in the Career Centre. **All gowns must be returned immediately after the ceremony, so please take all cap and gown photographs *before* the ceremony. Grads will be charged for unreturned gowns.**
- Seating is by general admission so guests are encouraged to arrive early. Doors will open at 6pm.
- Grads must arrive at the auditorium by 5:45pm. If you would like to take photos in your gown, please arrive earlier.
- Marshalling (line up for the processional) starts at 5:45pm. Guests must be seated by 6:45 and the processional will begin at 6:55 SHARP. **PLEASE BE ON TIME.**
- Please remain for the entire ceremony to celebrate all members of the class of 2018. It is distracting if people leave after their graduate has crossed the stage.
- Our graduation ceremony is a **semi-formal event**. All school rules are in effect.
- **IF YOUR CHILD OR YOUR HOMESTAY STUDENT WILL NOT BE PARTICIPATING IN THE CEREMONY, PLEASE LET YOUR COUNSELLOR OR MS. NOLL KNOW!**

Please contact Mr. Harrison at 604-530-2151 for further information

Yearbook Write-Up & Baby Photos

The time has come for you to sum up your high school life and write your blurb for the yearbook. You've been reading other grad blurbs for years...now you get to write your own!

Blurb Rules:

- **75 words**
- **12 -- Times New Roman Font**
- **Paragraph form and complete sentences**
- **No code words**
- **No references to drugs, alcohol or sex**
- **Make it as positive as possible**

Note: Teachers will be editing your write up before it is included in the yearbook

What you might want to include:

- Thank you to important people (family, friends, teachers)
- Significant events (sports trips, music retreats, memorable moments)
- Best memory
- Funniest memory
- Famous quotes
- Future plans

All grads' **baby photos** will have a very prominent place in the yearbook.

Our goal is to have 100% of grads submit their baby photos.

Your baby photo must be scanned, saved as a

JPEG and sent to: dwpyearbook@gmail.com by December 21st, 2018.

Hard copies of photos can be given to Mr. Sandquist; please make sure your name is on the back so it can be returned to you.

Yearbook write ups will be completed in your English 12 or Communications 12 class and collected by your teacher.