



Hello Argyle Grads of 2026 & Families!

Welcome to your grade 12 year! This is the culmination of 13 years of schooling, congratulations!

Please see below for key grad dates in the 2025-26 school year, information on booking grad photos, and helpful links to navigate post-secondary plans. Grad updates will be shared with parents in special grad newsletters throughout the year, as well as with students directly through their Career Life Connections (CLC) courses, Grade 12 Teams, TVs in the school, and through daily announcements.

We are hosting a grade 12 assembly for students on **Wednesday, September 10th at 8:30am** and a grade 12 parent information night on **Tuesday September 16th at 7pm** in the large gym. Both events have important information about grade 12. The presentation slides will be posted on our website following the presentation.

We are excited to have the class of 2026 as our seniors and the leaders of the student body this year. I challenge each grad to seize every opportunity in your grad year – embrace new experiences, step outside your comfort zone, stay focused, and make this year your best one yet.

Sincerely,

Laura Ames
Principal
Gr. 12 Administrator

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Argyle Grad 2026 Key Dates

Event/Activity	Date(s)
Grade 12 student assembly	Wednesday, September 10 th 8:30am
Grade 12 parent information night	Tuesday, September 16 th – large gym
Grad Photo Session Sign up	Starting Tuesday, September 9 th
Canadian Universities Event – at Handsworth Secondary	Thursday, September 25 th 6-8:00pm
BC Post-Secondary Institution Fair – at Argyle Secondary	Tuesday, October 28 th – 1-3:00pm
Grad Photos by GradsBC – at Argyle Secondary	October 27-30 and November 3-4
Grad Buddy Photos by GradsBC	Wednesday, November 5 th
Advanced Placement (AP) exam confirmation deadline	Friday, November 7 th
Ministry Assessments: Literacy 12 *no classes for grade 12s	Tuesday, November 4 th
Grad photo retakes	Wednesday, November 26 th
Grad Semi-formal at Italian Cultural Centre	Thursday, January 22 nd
Argyle Scholarship Application Deadline (late applications NOT accepted)	Friday, January 30 th at 9am
Yearbook order deadline on School Cash Online	Friday, January 30 th
Grad Yearbook Write up (MS form) – Deadline	Friday, February 6 th
Grad gown order deadline for Grad Ceremony	Friday, March 6 th
Valedictorian applications due	Friday, March 6 th
Grad ceremony convocation profile write up due	Friday, April 10 th
Ministry Assessments: Catch-up Assessments	Wednesday, April 22 nd
Capstone Project presentations – end of CLC 12 if assignments are complete	April 27 th – May 8 th
Grad ceremony ticket sales on School Cash Online	May 11 th – June 1 st
Grad ceremony ticket pickup at school office	May 19 th – June 2 nd
Deadline to report external scholarships/bursaries for inclusion in grad ceremony	Friday, May 22 nd
Ensure all fees are paid on School Cash Online	Before Friday, May 22 nd
Grad ceremony rehearsal (all grads must attend)	Friday, May 22 nd in Period 8
Grad gown, grad cap, vee-stole pick up	Friday, May 22 nd in Period 8
Grad banquet ticket sales on School Cash Online	May 25-29 th
Graduation Ceremony at the Queen Elizabeth Theatre in Vancouver	Tuesday, June 2 nd , 2026
Grad banquet ticket pickup at school	June – Dates TBD
Ministry assessments: Français Langue 12 Written (mandatory for all grade 12 FI students)	Tuesday, June 9 th 8:30am
Ministry assessments: Français Langue 12 Oral	June 11 th -12 th
Grad Banquet at the Westin Bayshore hotel in Vancouver	Saturday, June 20 th , 2026
Yearbook & grad tri-folder pick up	Thurs. June 26 (Time TBC)



Upcoming Grad Events & Important Information

Career Life Connections (CLC) 12

All grade 12 students are required to take CLC 12. This course is offered through Teams at Argyle and is a graduation requirement. Important information about applying to post-secondary institutions, graduation, and more will also be shared through the CLC platform. Be sure to keep up to date with assignments and updates. Students will be receiving updates from their CLC teachers this month on how to start the course. This year, CLC 12 also has a face to face component in flex time once per month. Look for communication from your CLC 12 teacher about where to meet and orientation sessions starting this week.

Graduation Fees

A graduation activity fee of \$65 is assessed to all grads in early October. This covers events such as grad BBQ's, the grad gown rental fee, grad caps & tassels, decorations at grad events, and prizes for grad theme days/events.

Additional fees:

- Grad Semiformal - Approx. \$80 per ticket
- Graduation Ceremony at Orpheum– Approx. \$15 per ticket (guests only)
- Graduation Banquet – Approx. \$160 per ticket (including grads)
- Graduation Photos – Grads BC sitting fee \$69 + fee for photo packages

If you need financial assistance for grad events, please contact Principal Laura Ames lames@sd44.ca directly.

Graduation Photographs

Grad photography sessions will be held at Argyle Secondary October 27th – 30th and November 3rd and 4th with 'buddy' sessions on November 5th. Sign-up for the photo sessions will take place through the GradsBC website. Retakes or those unable to make the dates in October will be on Wednesday, November 26th, 2024.

Grad Cap and Gown Yearbook Portraits + Fashion Photos AND Buddy sessions are quickly approaching! Sessions will take place in October, at your school. To book, please visit: www.gradsbc.com/school/arg

The above link will give you specific program details on the services and products you will be receiving from GradsBC; starting with fall portraits all the way to your year end grad events.



The \$69 Grads BC portrait session fee includes a grad group photo at banquet, a photo in your formal wear at the banquet, a photo on stage at the grad ceremony, a highlight video, and a “grad time capsule” video. Grads will have photos taken at a few different stations during their portrait session. More info on what to wear and bring will be provided soon. Grad photo packages are also available for purchase through GradsBC.

Questions? Please call the GradsBC office directly: 604-461-3722 or info@gradsbc.com

Canadian Universities Events (CUE)

Canadian Universities Events are a chance for students in British Columbia to interact with universities from across Canada. More information can be found [here](#). This year, an event is being offered at Handsworth Secondary on September 25th from 6:00-8:00pm.

MyBlueprint

MyBlueprint is a one-stop resource for students to research career paths, post-secondary institutions, and entry requirements. Every Argyle student has access to MyBlueprint through their student account and can extend a family account to their parent to help with research. Please see information for [how to use MyBlueprint for researching post-secondary institutions here](#) and [information on setting up a family account here](#).

Scholarship Information

Graduating students are eligible for three types of scholarships: institution-specific entrance awards, Argyle-specific awards, and private awards. More information on these will be covered in our upcoming grade 12 assembly and parent information evening.

Official Transcripts

Students in British Columbia can order official transcripts through the [Student Transcripts Service \(STS\)](#) provided by the Ministry of Education. Argyle cannot issue official transcripts. To request a transcript, students must first [create a Basic BCeID](#) account and log in to the STS website. Once logged in, they can view and send transcripts electronically to post-secondary institutions or themselves. Transcripts can be sent immediately or scheduled to be sent after graduation or when final marks are available. This service is free for current students and recent graduates.



Online Resources for Graduation and Beyond

Important Links for Grads

- [Argyle Grad Information](#)
- [Graduation program](#)
- [Student Transcript Service](#)
- [Graduation Assessment information](#)
- [Education Planner](#): Your guide to applying to BC post-secondary institutions
- [MyBlueprint Login](#)
- Information about [Trades and Apprenticeship in Canada](#)
- [Student Awards in BC](#)
- Student financial aid:
 - <https://studentaidbc.ca>,
 - <https://www.studentscholarships.org/>
 - <http://www.scholarshipscanada.com/>
 - <https://www.universitystudy.ca/plan-for-university/>