

January 14, 2026

Dear Parents, Guardians, and/or Caretakers of the Class of 2026,

Happy New Year! I hope you had a restful and joyful holiday season. As we transition into the second half of this milestone year for our Grade 12 students, I wanted to follow up on December's letter just so you have all this up-to-date information as we enter this final lap of grade 12. This is such an exciting – and sometimes stressful – time for our grads! I hope our students can continue to focus on their learning, on working towards their goals for post-secondary life, and on enjoying this special time as grade 12s.

It continues to be a privilege to work with this exceptional group of students, whose talents, stewardship, and community-mindedness were so evident in the events leading up to the break. As we move quickly into 2026, I look forward to continuing to celebrate our grads' achievements and to supporting them through these important final months of their high school journey.

Grad Cap and Gown Order

To prepare for your Graduation Ceremony on June 11th, we need to make sure grads all have the proper attire.

***STUDENTS must fill out the form link for Grad Gowns using their NVSD account. The link is posted to their Grade 12 Team and here: [Seycove 2026 Graduation Ceremony Gown Order](#)**

Please ensure your grade 12 completes the form and indicates the size of the Grad Gown they would like to order **by no later than February 13th, 2026. This is a MANDATORY step for ALL grade 12s.**

Seycove Scholarships 2025-2026

Grads, please continue to check this year's Scholarship Team. Ms. Madsen continues to update this Team with scholarship opportunities for all grads.

This time of year, things pick up quickly with external scholarship applications and opportunities. Please make sure grads are checking this Team regularly!

Yearbook Purchase

*There are LIMITED Yearbooks remaining for sale! Please ensure you order through [SchoolCashOnline](#) before the deadline if you'd like a Seycove yearbook for your grade 12's last year.

*NEW - Grad Ceremony Baby Photos

For Seycove's Graduation Ceremony, we show a baby photo and grad photo of each grad as they step onto the stage to receive their diploma.

Parents – Please ensure you submit your grad's baby photo to the email below! The **deadline to submit is Friday, February 27th, 2026**. For the ceremony, please submit baby photo of your grad to: eshoop@sd44.ca



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***NEW - Grad Write Ups for Grad Ceremony at Centennial Theatre June 11th**

DUE: FRIDAY, Friday April 24th, 2026.

Grad write-ups are read as students cross the stage to shake the principal's hand and receive their diploma on June 11th. Write ups are meant to be formal, articulate, and concise at only 50 to 60 words. There are instructions and examples in the Team message and in the form itself.

This is mandatory for ALL grads. Please ensure students follow the link in the Grade 12 Team and copied below to complete the form linked below and submit their write up before April 24th.

Form Link (Grads must sign in using their NVSD account to complete form): [Grad Write-Up for Grad Ceremony \(June 11th, 2026 - Centennial Theatre\) – Fill out form](#)

***NEW - CLC 12 – Capstone and Required 30 Volunteer/Work Hours**

A reminder for ALL grads - this year's **Capstone date is May 22nd**.

Please ensure all grads are working on their Capstone proposals and in regular communication with their CLC 12 teacher as the Capstone is a required component of the Grad Program in BC.

Also, students' mandatory 30-hour verification form is due next month. Students should continue to accumulate paid work and/or volunteer hours to put towards their 30-hour graduation requirement. If any grads are still looking to complete hours, they can see Ms. Yeo for volunteer opportunities.

Ministry Graduation Assessments

A reminder that all grade 12s are required to write three Provincial Graduation Assessments to graduate with a Dogwood as a part of the BC Grad Program. The Literacy 12 Assessment was rescheduled for grade 12s **next week**. If students missed this session or the previous Literacy 10 or Numeracy 10 Assessments, they could write these in April – please reach out to Mr. Ruben at pruben@sd44.ca. More information about the Graduation Assessments can be found here: [Provincial Graduation Assessments](#)

Graduation 2026 Graduation Ceremony

Thursday, June 11th, 2026

Location: Centennial Theatre, North Vancouver

More details to follow...

Graduation 2026 Dinner and Dance Banquet

Tuesday, June 23rd, 2026

Location: Pinnacle Hotel at the Pier, North Vancouver

More details to follow...



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General Grad Information

If you need more information on all things graduation, information can be found on our Seycove website: [Grad Information - Seycove Secondary](#)

Moving into this exciting and fast-paced second half of the school year, I, again, encourage our grads to stay present, cherish the moments, and continue to support one another. Whether through academic pursuits, community contributions, or simply enjoying these final months together, this time is theirs to make meaningful. I'm so looking forward to all the incredible things this class will achieve in the months ahead.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me via email at mdownie@sd44.ca.

Kindly,

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