



SUTHERLAND SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Grade 12 Parent Information

Dear Class of 2026 and Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to the start of your Grade 12 year! I hope the first few days of classes have been enjoyable and that students are settling back into the routine of school after summer break. The beginning of the year is an exciting time, and one that is full of opportunities for students and their families to engage in.

As Grade 12 comes with a lot of information and important dates to manage, students should ensure they have access to the Grade 12 Team. The school website is also frequently updated with events and information for Grads and their families/guardians. The Grade 12 Team, however, should be students' first stop for information on post-secondary visits, volunteer opportunities, scholarships and bursaries and Grad events.

We already have a few important dates for you to keep in mind as you look ahead in your calendars:

Canadian Universities Event (CUE): Thursday, September 25th, from 6:00pm-8:00pm at Handsworth Secondary School. We encourage students and their families to attend this evening event featuring representatives from major universities across Canada. Please see cuebc.org for more information.

Grade 12 Parent Information Night: Tuesday, September 23rd, from 6:00pm-7:00pm on Microsoft Teams. [Teams meeting link is accessible here.](#) This event will cover some of the frequently asked questions families have about Grade 12. We hope to see you (virtually) there!

Artona Graduation Portraits – Individual Sessions: December 5-8th, 2025, at Artona's Studio in Vancouver. [Please visit this link to book.](#)

Graduation 2025 Commencement Ceremony: Monday, June 1st, 2026, at the Orpheum Theatre in Vancouver. More details will be released as we near this important date. Tickets are subsidized by the school to ensure that family members can attend without significant financial burden.

Graduation 2025 Banquet (Dinner and Dance): Saturday, June 20th, 2026, at the Marriott Pinnacle Hotel in Vancouver. As with the Ceremony, you will receive more details about this event closer to the date. Often, students and one or more parents/guardians attend the Banquet together. Students will be able to request table groupings.

As Students begin their final year at Sutherland, Ms. Dhanji and I would like to encourage them to make the most of Grade 12. This is the perfect time to join a new club, try out a new sport, or to engage in learning in a new area. One we would like to highlight is Grad Council. We had our first Grad Council meeting last week, and the meeting space was packed with students wanting to get involved in their last year of high school. Grad Council is an excellent opportunity for students to bond with classmates and show leadership and initiative by planning and organizing events. Please reach out to Ms. Dhanji or Mr. Bruchesi on Teams to learn more.

If you need support, Ms. Dhanji and I are here to help, and are excited to see all the wonderful things this outstanding group of graduates will accomplish over the next 10 months.

Kindly,

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