



# Sutherland Secondary School

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Dear graduates and parent/guardians,

As we embark on the final term of the school year with the realization that there are only 31 days of classes left until the last day of classes and the English Provincial Exam, I urge you to continue your efforts and to keep up the fine work you started back in September. As the days become longer and warmer, and the distractions from learning increase, I remind those who may have missed work or have fallen behind to re-focus your efforts on learning over the next few weeks. Continue to seek help from your teachers. Also, remember that Planning 12 must be completed, as it is a graduation requirement. Every year there are a few individuals who don't graduate because they have not completed the course work. See Mrs. Matsubuchi or Mrs. Macario if you need assistance.

We would also like to thank the graduating class for their efforts in ensuring that non-sanctioned grad activities have not disrupted teaching and learning at Sutherland. As future events are planned, we appreciate that you remind and support each other in ensuring that these activities continue to be separate from the school. Drugs, alcohol, harassing or demeaning behaviours are among the concerns addressed through the Sutherland Code of Conduct and School District Policies. The Grad Ceremony and Grad Banquet are not just important to graduates, they are also important to parents, family, and friends. Please do not put your participation in these two significant events in jeopardy.

## Important Dates:

**May 16<sup>th</sup>** ICBC RoadSense Presentation – all grads attend – 11:20am – 12:35pm.

**May 23<sup>rd</sup>** and 24<sup>th</sup> Grad Gown Fittings –in the library, 3:10pm to 4:00pm. Grad gowns and caps must be picked up at school June 9th after the grad ceremony rehearsal.

**June 7<sup>th</sup>** - 7:00pm. School Awards Ceremony.

**June 9<sup>th</sup>** - period 4. Grad Ceremony Rehearsal – All grads must attend.



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**June 13<sup>th</sup>** - Graduation Ceremony at the Orpheum Theatre – 7:00pm. Grads arrive at 6:15pm at the Granville Street entrance to assemble – your grad gown is your ticket. Tickets are required for everyone else and are not sold at the door.

**June 17<sup>th</sup>** - Graduation Banquet. Vancouver Marriott Downtown, 1128 West Hastings St, Vancouver, V6E 4R5. 6:30pm. Students need to arrive no later than 6:45pm for a photo of all Graduates – students will meet at the front/lobby of the hotel. Remember to bring your tickets. No alcohol is served. No in/out privileges for this event.

## **Ticket Sales Information**

All outstanding fees should be cleared before purchasing Grad event tickets. Contact Mrs. Gail Paulson - gpaulson@sd44.ca or call 604-903-3529 to discuss any questions or concerns. Ticket sales for both events take place May 15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>, payable on-line or in front of the Main Office (cash or cheque only).\* If paying by cheque, please provide separate payments for each event and note the event in the memo line.

**Banquet Tickets (June 17<sup>th</sup>)** are \$100 each for grads and guests. Tables are in rounds of 10. Bring your on-line receipt, cash or cheque payable to Sutherland Secondary along with names (first and last with correct spelling) of all people attending. Payment must be received in order to book a table. This is done on a first come, first served basis. Anyone who purchases a ticket online and does not book a table will be seated wherever there is space.

**Ceremony Tickets (June 13<sup>th</sup>)** are \$10.00 each. Tickets are required at the Orpheum and are not for sale at the door. Bring your On-line receipt, cash or cheque payable to Sutherland School. You may purchase as many tickets as you require (Grads do not need a ticket). Seating is not reserved.

\*Orpheum tickets will also be available for purchase (cash or cheque only) from the Main Office until May 29<sup>th</sup>.