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GRAD UPDATE AT REYNOLDS

.....> **Class of 2026**

Welcome to your Grad Year!

We are very excited to support you in your final year at Reynolds, and to help you prepare for whatever is next! Throughout the year we will be sending home newsletters so you can stay informed throughout this busy year. **Please read each Grad Update At Reynolds – “GUAR” carefully as they will contain important information and deadlines.** This first one is big and contains a LOT of information!



Important Dates

Upcoming Events:

- Our first Grad Assembly is Thursday, September 24th in Support Block
- Grad Parent Info Night (Grads are welcome to attend): Thursday, September 25th at 7pm in the Theatre

Grad Photos

- October 27th – 31st (weekdays) off-site
- Participation is optional
- Appointments are not open yet – information will be shared very soon.
- Retakes December 2nd & 3rd, 2025

Winter Formal

- Thursday, December 4th at Reynolds
- Cost estimated at \$75/ticket
- Guests allowed upon approval (one guest per grad)
- Participation is optional and students must be in good standing to attend

Grad Dinner & Dance

- Saturday June 6th, 2026 at the Delta Ocean Point
- Tickets on sale in Spring via school
- Guests will need approval prior to purchasing tickets
- Venue has limited capacity; we may not be able to accommodate all guest requests
- Participation is optional and students must be in good standing to attend
- We anticipate tickets to cost around \$115 per person

Recognition Ceremony at the UVic Auditorium:

- Friday, June 19th, 2026 at UVic Farquhar Auditorium @ 6pm
- Tickets on sale in the Spring
- This is a recognition ceremony for grade 12 students who meet BC Graduation requirements
- Participation is optional
- There will be a mandatory rehearsal the morning of June 19th

SD61 Indigenous Graduation Banquet and Ceremony

- Date TBD



Grad Pinnies

Grads chose the colour **Dark Purple** as their “grad colour” in the spring. This colour will be on the pinnies, grad wear, and other grad branding. The last day to order pinnies through School Cash Online is Friday, September 26th. Pinnies cost \$50.

This is our only pinnie order this year!

Pinnie Days – landing on the 26th of the following months:

- Wednesday, November 26th
- Monday, January 26th
- Thursday, February 26th
- Tuesday, May 26th



Grad Wear Logo Contest!

Grads will choose a logo for their grad wear at the Grad Assembly on Thursday, September 24th!

This logo will appear on grad wear, such as hoodies and sweatpants.

Grad Requirements

Students must be in the position to meet the BC Ministry of Education graduation requirements at the Term 3 Learning Update, or they may not be eligible to participate in the recognition ceremony.

Students must be meeting graduation requirements on the April learning update, have written the Literacy 10, Literacy 12, and Numeracy 10 assessments and be at least 50% through any distributed learning courses.

Our counsellors Ms. Leahy (students with last name A-I), Ms. Flater (last name J-Q), and Mr. Loukes (last name R-Z) can assist in answering any questions regarding graduation status.

The requirements for graduation in BC are found [here](#). Please keep in mind that these are the requirements to graduate high school; post-secondary institutions may have entrance requirements above and beyond.



Numeracy and Literacy Assessments

Grads of 2026 are required to have completed the **Numeracy 10** Assessment, the **Literacy 10** Assessment, and the **Literacy 12** Assessment. If you have not written the Numeracy or Literacy 10 Assessments yet, you need to speak with Vice Principal Ms. Boniface as soon as possible.

All grade 12s will be scheduled to write the **Literacy 12** Assessment during Assessment Palooza starting on November 3rd 2025.



Grad Pictures

Grad pictures are **October 27th – 31st 2025**. [Mountain West](#) will set up a studio at an off-site location nearby Reynolds. These photos are used in the yearbook and families have the option to purchase packages of photos.

Grad retake dates will be December 2nd and 3rd 2025.

We will share scheduling information once appointments are available.



Financial Planning

Approximate Costs of Grad. These costs are estimates and subject to change.

Grad Fee- \$68.05 This fee covers the graduation gown, Ceremony rental, Certificates. Please **pay now** via the Reynolds website School Cash Online.

- **Guest tickets** for recognition ceremony- \$12 per ticket. Ceremony reception & rental no cost for participants. *Payment details to come at a later date.*
- **Winter Formal Dinner/Dance-** approx. \$75 per ticket. *Payment details to come at a later date.*
- **Spring Dinner Dance/ "Prom"** – approx. \$115 per ticket. *Payment details to come at a later date.*

MAGIC WAND- Through the generous donations of the community, students have the use of a like-new outfit for the evening. Accessories are also provided. Please see a counsellor for further information, visit www.themagicwandproject.ca or call 250-658-0246 to make an appointment.

Reminder:

Any student who is in financial difficulty can speak to any administrator or counsellor. Please remember that activities and extra purchases are optional. If you have any questions or concerns, please see a counsellor or reach out to administration.



Scholarships

Mrs. Daniells is our Scholarship 12 teacher.

All graduates are invited to be part of the Scholarship 12 Google Classroom, regardless if they are wishing credits for the course. Scholarship information, including postings, are on this Google Classroom. **The code is r3fb2hjz**



CLC & Grad Google Classroom

All grads must join the CLC Google Classroom to receive important information about their Career Life Connections course and other grad events and information. The code is **xwvcinux**



Career Life Connections (CLC)

Mme Belanger, Mr. McKean and Mrs. Daniells

CLC is a 4-credit course **required for graduation** in BC. It culminates in a Capstone project.

What is the Capstone?

A research project on something you are interested in learning about. Explore your topic in three ways:

- **Research:** use Youtube, websites, books.
- **Connect:** find a mentor who can listen to you and give guidance or advice.
- **Lived Experience:** Find a way to experience what you are learning about

There are Capstone examples in the Google Classroom.

There is a CLC12 Launch Assembly during Support Block on Wednesday, October 1st where our CLC teachers will provide information and answer questions.



Life After Reynolds

Mrs. Turnbull in the Career Centre.

Post-secondary does not always mean university or college. For some it means volunteering, travelling and/or working. Whatever it is, we are here to support you as you start that journey.

Applying to post-secondary can be a complicated process - make sure you read all instructions carefully and check your email regularly. We are here to help you, but ultimately the responsibility is yours to apply and follow up with your institutions.

important stuff

Student Transcript Service (STS)

There is a VERY IMPORTANT process for ordering and sending transcripts to post-secondary institutions. Students proceeding to post-secondary **MUST** complete this process to have transcripts sent. **You can do this now.**

If you need INTERIM grades sent **prior to February**, transcripts (both electronic and hardcopy) need to be ordered from the office (please specify that they need to include interim grades).

If you would like to register for the transcript service now, you may do so at :

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/transcripts-and-certificates>

All post secondary info sessions will be posted to the App, TV's and the Career Centre website, please check often.

Post-Secondary Events Coming up:

- Oct 6th, Mon @ lunch, Foyer - **Bradley University (Peoria, Illinois)**
- Oct 15th, Wed-Support Blk rm 209 - **UVic Gustavson School of Business**
- Oct 15th, Wed @ lunch, Foyer - **Acadia University**
- Oct 22nd, Wed Evening @ 6pm, Theatre - **Camosun, UVic and RRU**
- Oct 30th, Thurs @ 2:30 rm 220B - The **University of Alberta**
- Nov 5th, Wed @ lunch, Foyer - The **University of Calgary**
- Nov 5th, Wed - Support Blk rm 209 - **Simon Fraser University**
- Nov 27th, Thurs - Reynolds Gym - **PSIBC Fair 1-2 pm**

Career Fairs will also be upcoming in the Spring of 2026

Connect with the Career Centre for any questions!



Check it out!

Our Career Centre has an amazing website with information about post-secondary options, dual credit, job market and skills training and life after high school! The icon to the left is a QR code that takes you directly to the website, or it's at reynoldscareercentre.weebly.com

Grad Council

Ms. Johnson

Grad Council meets on Fridays at lunch to plan any grad activities or discuss issues pertaining to grad. All grads are welcome to come to Grad Council meetings.

- Winter Formal
- Grad Song
- Grad Events
- Valedictorian
- Prom
- Grad Ceremony
- Anything else!



Facebook/Instagram Page

There is **one** Reynolds Grad 2026 Instagram page officially affiliated with the school. The school will also use the CLC Google Classroom and official Reynolds Instagram page to communicate with students and/or conduct any voting or decision making.

You can follow the official Reynolds Instagram page [@sd61reynolds](https://www.instagram.com/sd61reynolds) and the Reynolds Grad Instagram page [@reynoldsgrad26](https://www.instagram.com/reynoldsgrad26)



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