



Graduation 2026 Newsletter

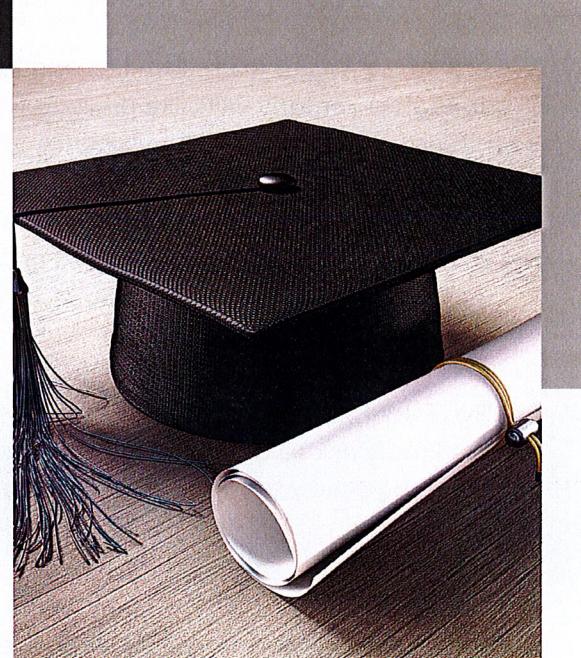
The moment has arrived. After five years of learning, growth, and perseverance, the Peter Skene Ogden Secondary Class of 2026 is ready to cross the stage and begin an exciting new chapter.

Our graduates have experienced an extraordinary journey. From adapting to changing learning environments to overcoming personal and global challenges, they have demonstrated resilience, determination, and strength beyond their years. This graduation milestone represents not only academic success, but also the character, grit, and spirit each student has developed along the way.

This is also a meaningful time for families and supporters. A chance to reflect on the journey so far and celebrate the dedication, encouragement, and love that have helped guide our students to this moment. Parents, guardians, grandparents, mentors, and friends—this achievement belongs to you as well.

Students who are not attending regular classes, please ensure that you inform the office with your current email address or reach out to Heather Wood/Mrs. Gardner. This way, we can keep you informed about important updates and information we need to share.

ATTENTION ALL GRADS - The Grad eligibility list will be reviewed regularly. Students **MUST be on track to graduate by June to participate in Grad Ceremonies and Dry Grad festivities.**



Graduation Ceremony

**Date:
June 19th @
6:30pm**

Peter Skene Ogden Secondary School – Graduation Ceremony 2026

Date: Friday, June 19th, 2026

Time: 6:30 PM (Doors open at 5:45 PM)

Location: Canlan Arena

Seating is first come, first serve

We are so excited to invite families and loved ones to celebrate the graduating Class of 2026! This year's graduation ceremony will take place at Canlan Arena and promises to be a meaningful and memorable evening recognizing the achievements, growth, and futures of our incredible students.

Important Details for Families:

- Due to the large size of this year's graduating class, seating may be limited. We recommend arriving early as seating is first come, first serve. There is NO RESERVED SEATING.
- Doors will open at 5:45 PM.
- Parking is expected to be challenging, so we encourage carpooling where possible. Please do not park in "No Parking" zones or fire lanes, as it's essential for everyone's safety.
- We kindly ask all attendees to stay for the full ceremony. Leaving early can be distracting and takes away from the celebration for other students still waiting to cross the stage.

Important Details for Graduates:

Mandatory Grad Meeting – All grads are required to attend a mandatory rehearsal at Canlan on June 18th at 1:00 PM. We'll walk through the ceremony, go over expectations, and ensure everyone knows where they're supposed to be.

Cap & Gown Pick-Up – Graduates must pick up their cap and gown prior to the ceremony at the counselling office on June 16th, 17th & 18th during lunch only. On the night of, grads should arrive by 6:00 PM to get dressed and ready to go.

Grad Bio Sheets – These are due to the office by May 29th. Your bio will be read aloud as you cross the stage, so please ensure it's thoughtful and appropriate.

Live Stream - We are hoping to be able to have the ceremony live streamed. Once we have the link we will post it on our website and email it to parents.

Graduate Ceremony Fee: \$50.00 -This fee covers the costs of the rental of the grad gown, the cap and tassel, the mini composite picture, the folder for holding mini composite and diploma, picture of acceptance of diploma with an administrator. This payment is due by June 1st. If you require financial assistance, please call the office at 250-395-2461 to speak to Ms. Currie. Payable at any time, cash, cheque or debit.

Let's celebrate the hard work, dedication, and journey of our grads together. We can't wait to see you there!

Scholarship Application

**Due Date:
March 6th, @
3:30pm**

Our scholarship process started back in November of 2025.

If you are interested in applying for our local scholarships you can either come to the office to pick up a scholarship package or you can find all the information and documents you will need on our website.

Please follow below:

www.sd27.bc.ca/pso - then go to the Student tab along the top – scroll down to Graduation – click on the Scholarship Information box - then click on the PSO Local Scholarship Information box.

**Please note there are ALSO External Scholarships that are available to all students with BC, Canada and some out of country scholarships.

Scholarships applications are due March 6th at 3:30pm.

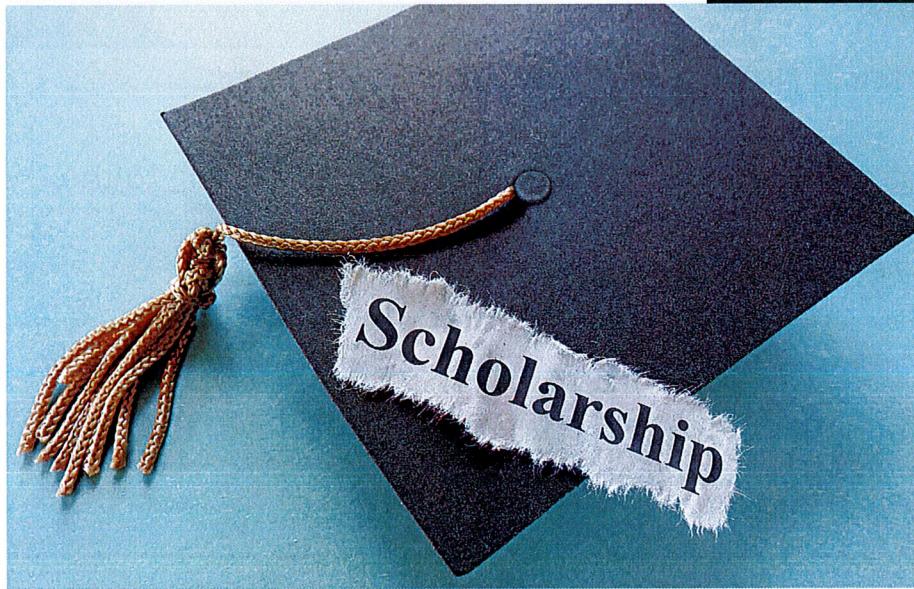
You will need to submit your completed scholarship package to the office. This will consist of the following:

- Scholarship Checklist
- General Application Page (filled out)
 - Cover letter
 - Any additional documents such as an essay etc.
- Special Application Page (filled out)
 - Cover letter
 - Any additional documents
 - * Please note that if you are applying for multiple special scholarships, the office will need the total Special Application package for each one as it needs to be mailed out to donors.

Lastly, please know that even if you are taking a gap year, please apply for scholarships as most (not all) but most scholarships can be deferred for one year.

Scholarship Celebration Information

Date:
May 20th @
6:00pm



Scholarship Celebration – Honouring Achievement & Community Support

Date: May 20th, 2026 | Time: 6:00 PM | Location: PSO Gymnasium

By invitation only

We are thrilled to announce our Annual Scholarship Celebration, a special evening dedicated to recognizing the hard work, dedication, and accomplishments of our graduating students. This cherished tradition is an opportunity for students, families, staff, and community partners to come together in celebration of academic achievement, leadership, and service.

On this memorable night, students will discover in real time which scholarships they have been awarded. It's a heartfelt and often emotional moment as students are acknowledged for their efforts and dreams, with many local community donors present to personally connect with the recipients of their generous awards.

The evening includes light appetizers and refreshments, served in a warm, welcoming setting in our school gym. It's a celebration not only of success, but of the strong ties between our school and the broader community.

Important Information:

- This event is by invitation only.
- Students who received a scholarship will receive a personal invitation by April 24th.
- RSVP is required as soon as possible to confirm attendance and help us plan accordingly.

We are incredibly proud of our students and deeply grateful to the community members and organizations whose continued support makes these scholarships possible. We look forward to celebrating with you!

Dry Grad/Prom Information



**Date:
June 20th @
6:00pm**

Stay up to date with the PSO Grad 2026 Facebook Page

There you can find meeting times and any information relating to Dry Grad.

PSO Dry Grad Parent Chair: Brigitte Burleigh

Secretary: Marissa Ball

Vice Chair: Annabella Glotze

Treasurer: Clare Fast

Yearbook Information

Due Date: March 13th

Important Yearbook Submission Details

Graduation yearbook quotes and baby photos are due to Mr. Murray's Yearbook class by March 13th. Enclosed in this package, you will find the yearbook quote form for your convenience.

Photo Submission Guidelines

- For hard copy baby photos, please ensure your name is written on the back. You can submit your hard copies in the drop box across from the office.
- If you prefer to submit a digital photo, you can email it to pso.yearbook@sd27.bc.ca, including the student's name in the message.

**Please be aware that all graduation quotes will be reviewed for appropriateness.
The yearbook team reserves the right to edit any content that is considered unsuitable.**

Important Dates

March 13th (Last Day) - Grad Yearbook Quotes and Baby Photos

Grad yearbook quotes and baby photos are due to Mr. Murray's Yearbook class. Please remember to grab a form from the office, fill it out and hand it in. For baby photos, if you are submitting a hard copy please write your name on the back of the photo or email your digital photo to pso.yearbook@sd27.bc.ca with the student's name.

April (date unknown) - Yearbooks go on sale - \$40.00

Yearbooks will go on sale and will be delivered near the middle to end of June. Students can pay by cash, cheque or debit.

May 20th – Scholarship Celebration

6:00 PM in the School Gym – By Invitation Only

May 20th - Valedictorian Nominations Start

Ms. Currie will be holding nominations for two class valedictorians.

May (Date unknown) Dry Grad & Date Ticket Deadline also Date form to Office

In May (Date unknown) will be the deadline to purchase Dry Grad/Prom tickets and submit Grad Date Form (for non-grad guests)

May 29th – Grad Bio Sheets Due

Submit your Grad Bio Sheet to the office – this will be read during the ceremony. You can also send it to Mrs. Jackson at nicole.jackson@sd27.bc.ca

June 1st - Grad Fees Due at the office \$50.00

Payable at any time, cash, cheque or debit.

This fee covers the costs of the rental of the grad gown, the cap and tassel, the mini composite picture, the folder for holding mini composite and diploma, picture of acceptance of diploma with an administrator. This payment is due by June 1st. If you require financial assistance, please call the office at 250-395-2461 to speak to Ms. Currie.

June 16th, 17th & 18th @ lunch only – Grad Gown Pick-Up

Pick up your cap and gown from the Counselling Office at PSO

June 18th – Mandatory Grad Meeting at Canlan Arena

1:00 PM – Rehearsal and walk-through of the ceremony (Grads must attend)

June 19th – Graduation Ceremony

Starts at 6:30 PM at Canlan Arena (Doors open at 5:45 PM)

June 20th – Dry Grad / Prom Festivities

Grads - Please remember to update your mailing address at the office before you leave at the end of the year! This is important for mailing your diploma.

Grad Bio Sheet

This form is an opportunity for you to express gratitude to the people who supported you throughout your high school experience.

In the space provided, please write a brief thank you. We've had to cut it back this year due to the size of the grad class. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

Brief Thank you:

Please return this form to the office
by May 30th.

GRAD QUOTES

Place one letter per line only

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(THESE SPACES INCLUDE SPACES!)

YEARBOOK RESERVES THE RIGHT TO EDIT ANY INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT SUBMITTED! THANK YOU!

Email your baby photo or your quote to ps0.yearbook@sd27.bc.ca.

Please include your First and Last name in the subject line.