



# **GRAD 2027**

## **INFORMATION PACKAGE**

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Grad Council        TBA

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## **IMPORTANT DATES**

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| Grade 12 Assembly                           | Sept 18     |
| Grad Cruise                                 | Sept 24     |
| Canadian Universities Event (Career) at LEC | Oct 7       |
| Grade 12 Assembly                           | Oct 20      |
| Grade 12 Parent Evening                     | Oct 22      |
| BC Post-Sec. Gr 11 & 12 Fair (Careers)      | Oct 29      |
| Grad Assessments                            | Nov 2 - 6   |
| Capstone Presentations (Sem 1 CLC classes)  | Jan 7-13    |
| Grad Assessments                            | Jan 11-22   |
| Grad Portraits                              | Jan 14-19   |
| Grade 12 Assembly - Scholarships            | Feb 4       |
| Learning Updates Issued (Reports cards)     | Feb 6       |
| Grad Gown Measurements Due                  | February    |
| Yearbook Baby Photo Due                     | February    |
| Grad Comments                               | Spring      |
| Grade 12 Assembly – Grad Info               | April 13    |
| Grad Assessments                            | April 12-16 |
| Learning Updates Issued (Reports cards)     | April 23    |
| Guest Passes for Dinner Dance Due           | April 30    |
| Ceremony & Banquet Tickets on sale          | May 17-28   |
| Grad Ticket Pick up                         | June 9-11   |
| Capstone Presentations (Sem 2 CLC classes)  | June 3-9    |
| Grad Assessments                            | June 7-18   |
| Scholarship Tea                             | June 9      |
| Mandatory Grad Assembly                     | June 10     |
| Grad Vs Staff Softball Game & BBQ           | June 11     |
| Grad Gown Pick / Grad Walk & Lunch          | June 22     |
| Graduation Convocation CLA                  | June 22     |
| Graduation Dinner Dance at Coast Hotel      | June 23     |

**\*\*Grad dates could be subject to change, please pay attention to email, teams and the school social media for updates and reminders about Grad dates\*\***

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# EXPECTATIONS FOR GRADS

Langley Secondary takes graduation seriously. In order to participate in the Graduation Ceremony at Langley Secondary, students must have taken enough credits and be in a position to pass their remaining courses. All required school fees need to be paid in order to participate in grad events.

Student attendance and behaviour throughout the year is also taken into consideration when we review the names of students who will be participating in the Graduation ceremony.

Should students not be in a position to graduate, grade 12 students *may* still be allowed to participate in the school's Graduation Prom event *with permission* from administration.

## GRADUATION CAPSTONE

### Career Life Connections (CLC)

**Semester 1 January 7 - 13, 2026. CLC in Semester 2 June 3-9, 2027.**

A Capstone is a culminating project, presentation, or performance that allows students the opportunity to consolidate and showcase their learning from their school and life experiences into a meaningful and relevant product. Students will use innovation, cross curricular knowledge, and critical thinking skills in an area of interest as the basis for the project, which is applicable to a real- world concept.

The Capstone will:

- Help students make connections between what they are learning now and what they hope to see in their future.
- Provide students with focused, structured, authentic, and experiential learning; responsibility for meeting timelines, making decisions, conducting research, preparing and making presentations – all transferable skills needed for success in the workplace.
- Identify a new opportunity, either for an existing entity or for the creation of a new venture; and implement the necessary skills they have built to launch their own entrepreneurial proposal, research project, service pursuit, event or product.

- Ensure students meet the BC Ministry graduation competencies (Communication, Creative and Critical Thinking, Personal and Cultural Identity, Personal Awareness and Social Responsibility) through the development of the following skills:
  - Effective communication (oral and written) Public Speaking, Research Skills, Media Literacy, Teamwork Planning and Organization, Self-awareness and Advocacy, Goal Setting, Time Management, Networking and mentorship relationships, Problem Based Learning and Inquiry, Presentation skills.

## **School Cash Online**

Grad students need to have all required fees paid up to participate in grad events, this includes all student fees, grad fees, athletics or academies fee etc. If you haven't, please log in to your school cash online account and confirm you have paid all "required" fees. All ticket sales for grad events will be done online through School Cash. Students are encouraged to ensure they have their account set up. Please see the front office or email Ms. Bezanson, [mbezanson@sd35.bc.ca](mailto:mbezanson@sd35.bc.ca) if you have questions regarding your account.

## **Grad Fee**

All Grade 12 students are required to pay a \$70.00 grad fee. This fee helps to cover costs associated with the Commencement ceremony and other grad-related events. This fee can be paid online through School Cash: <https://sd35.schoolcashonline.com/>

## **Grad Photos**

Grad photos are scheduled for Jan 14<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> you can book these through the QR code that will be posted around the school or [THIS LINK](#) It will also be posted in your Teams channel. All graduating students need to have a grad photo taken so they can be included in the yearbook and the composite picture. If there are any students facing financial hardship, please contact Ms. Johnson to discuss your options for Grad Photos.

## **Grad Council**

Any student who is in grade 12 is welcome to attend Grad Council meetings. Participation gives you a voice. Grad activities such as BBQs, Spirit Days, Movie Nights, Sr Dance, etc. are all organized through Grad Council and we're always in need of creative ideas and more hands to help run our events. Please keep an eye out on Teams and listen for announcements on how to get involved with Grad Council!

## Langley Secondary Grad Wear

Grad wear can be purchased on School cash online, our second order will be available to purchase from September 15<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> with delivery set for Mid to late October.



Dropped Shoulder Hoodie



Heavy Oversized Tee



Wide Leg Sweatpants



## Stay Informed

We will be using Microsoft Teams to send up to date information to Grads. All Grads have been added to a Team titled "Gr 12 Counselling Information" Team. Grads are encouraged to check this team regularly for important updates and information. We will also be sending information about graduation requirements, scholarships and grad events via email so please ensure that the front office has an up-to-date email address on file for your family.

## Scholarship Tea

This year's scholarship winners will be participating in an afternoon of celebration on **Wednesday June 9, 2027** with members of the community who will be presenting this year's district scholarships. The celebration will give students and presenters the opportunity to meet and celebrate their successes. Specific information will be given out in May. All scholarship winners are strongly encouraged to attend. These scholarship winners will also be publicly acknowledged during our Graduation Ceremony.

# GRADUATION CEREMONY

## Christian Life Assembly – Tuesday June 22, 2027

Ceremony tickets will be available for purchase alongside the Grad Dinner-Dance tickets from May 17-28, 2027 on school cash online. Ticket pickup will be from June 9-11<sup>th</sup>. Students must bring their receipt with them and have all outstanding fees paid to pick up their tickets.

Information on ticket limits per family will be included in the April Grad Package. Anyone attending the ceremony, other than the graduating student, needs a ticket. The ceremony takes approximately 3 hours and is therefore not appropriate for babies and small children.

Cap and Gown measurements will be collected via form after Winter Break. Grads will be able to pick up caps and gowns at CLA during the rehearsal. The hat, tassel, gown and stole (which goes around your neck) are yours to keep and do not need to be returned. Grads will have their cap and gown for the Grad Walk on Tuesday June 22<sup>nd</sup> prior to the ceremony. Seating is by general admission, so guests are encouraged to arrive early. Doors will open at 6pm. Grads must arrive by 5:45pm. If you would like to take photos in your gown, please arrive earlier.

Marshalling (line up for the processional) starts at 5:45pm. Guests must be seated by 6:45pm and the processional will begin at 6:55pm SHARP. **PLEASE BE ON TIME.**

Please remain in attendance for the entire ceremony to celebrate all members of the class of 2027. It is distracting if people leave after their graduate has crossed the stage.

Our graduation ceremony is a **semi-formal, non-smoking and a non-vaping event**. All school rules are in effect.

**IF YOUR CHILD WILL NOT BE PARTICIPATING IN THE CEREMONY, PLEASE LET THEIR COUNSELLOR KNOW!**  
**IF YOUR HOMESTAY STUDENT WILL NOT BE PARTICIPATING IN THE CEREMONY, PLEASE LET MS. NOLL KNOW!**

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# GRADUATION BANQUET

## Coast Hotel, Langley BC - Wednesday, June 23, 2027

Grad Dinner-Dance tickets will be sold online only and will be available to purchase May 17-28. The ticket price includes a buffet dinner, dessert, unlimited pop, DJ, facility rental and decorations, security & gratuities. More information about how to purchase tickets online will be released in the spring.

Approved guest passes are required in order to purchase tickets for any non-LSS Grad individuals attending as a 'date' or 'guest' with the grad. Guest passes will be available in the April grad package and must be approved by administration in order to purchase a ticket. More information about guest passes will be discussed at the grad assembly in April.

The event runs from 6:00 pm-11:00 pm. Students are responsible for arranging their own ride to and from Grad Dinner-Dance.

Grad Dinner-Dance is a school-event and so all school rules apply. Students arriving under the influence or possession of drugs or alcohol will not be permitted entry into prom. All Grad 2027 events are **non-smoking** and **non-vaping** events.

- o A reminder that Grad Dinner-Dance is a **formal event** and attire should reflect this.

- o There are no in and out privileges at the event.

- o At the end of the evening, transportation to Dry Grad (for those students attending) will be arranged by the Dry Grad Parent Committee. Students not attending Dry Grad must make their own arrangements for pickup at the venue.

More detailed information about how to purchase tickets will be released in the spring at a Grade 12 assembly.