



Grad and Parent Information Session

September 24th, 2026



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We respectfully acknowledge that Surrey Schools reside on the traditional, unceded, and shared territories of Coast Salish peoples:

The ǵíćəý - Katzie, the ǵʷa:ńłəń - Kwantlen
and the SEMYOME - Semiahmoo First Nations:
the stewards of this land since time immemorial.

We highlight this history knowing that relationships and partnerships based on respect with the Indigenous peoples of this land are important for truth and reconciliation.

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Agenda

Welcome and Introductions

Graduation Requirements

Post Secondary Information

Scholarships

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Graduation Events

Student Parking

Literacy 12 Assessment



Principal Welcome

Ms. O'Brien



Vice Principals



Mr. England
(A – Gong)



Ms. Knapp
(Gonh – Og)



Ms. Aslam
(Oh – Z)

Graduation Requirements – 80 Credits

Grade	Courses (Credits)	Electives	Notes
10	1. English (4) 2. Social Studies (4) 3. Mathematics (4) 4. Science (4) 5. PHE (4) 6. Career Life Education (4)	7. Elective (4) 8. Elective (4)	*Students need a Fine Art or an Applied Skill in Grades 10-12 *32 Credits in Total for Grade 10 *Literacy 10 Assessment *Numeracy 10 Assessment

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11	1. English (4) 2. Social Studies (4) 3. Mathematics (4) 4. Science (4)	5. Elective (4) 6. Elective (4) 7. Elective (4) 8. Elective (4)	*Students need an Indigenous-focused course in Grade 11 or 12 *Students can take CLC 12 in Grade 11 *32 Credits in Total for Grade 11 *Speak with your counsellor about external credits (i.e. Language Challenge, Cadets, etc.)

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12	1. English (4) 2. Career Life Education (4)	3. Elective (4) 4. Elective (4) 5. Elective (4) 6. Elective (4) 7. Elective (4) 8. Elective (4)	*Some students may be on a different graduation plan (i.e. Adult Grad, School Completion Certificate, etc.) *At least three classes must be at the Grade 12 level *32 Credits in Total for Grade 12 *Literacy 12 Assessment

A photograph of graduates in black caps and blue stoles, seen from behind, walking in a line. The background is a blurred outdoor setting with trees and a building. A semi-transparent white circle is overlaid on the right side of the image, containing the text.

Post - Secondary 101

**What if I'm
missing courses
needed for
graduation or
post-secondary
requirements?**



See your Counsellor



Online Course (SAIL)



Night School (QE)



Summer School

Important Factors to Consider for Post-Secondary

What kind of environment would you be most successful in?

- Program
- Location
- Cost
- Class Size
- Housing and Transportation
- Student Services
- Athletics
- Co-op / Work Experience / Internships



EducationPlannerBC is the provincial application service and an online resource:

Plan

GET PREPARED

- Things to consider
- Top Tips
- Glossary
- Financial Resources

Search

START SEARCHING

- Explore over 4,500 programs in B.C.
- Discover admissions, fees, and deadlines
- Save and compare programs using My List

Path

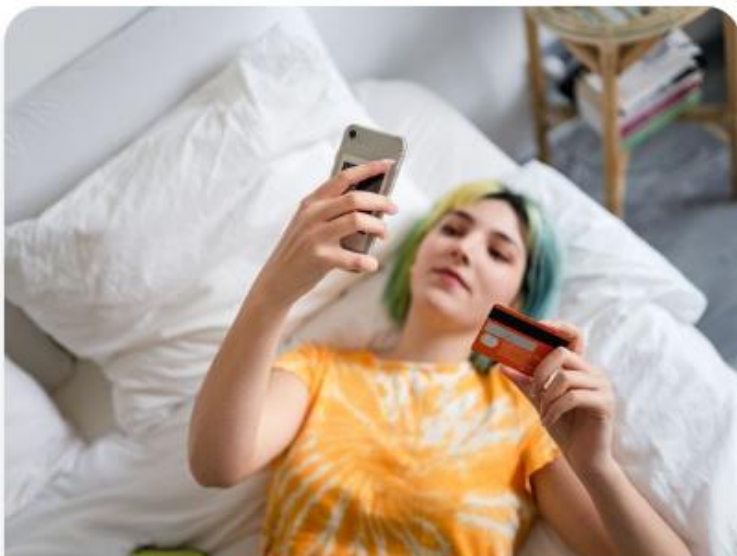
FIND YOUR PATH

- Education and career planning tool
- Personalized, interactive
- Explore, save, and share your selections

Apply

READY TO APPLY?

- Create one account
- Apply to one or multiple institutions
- View submitted applications



EXPLORE

Financial resources

Post-secondary education is a great investment, be sure to plan what your costs are going to be and what funding and support is available to help you.

[Financial resources →](#)



EXPLORE

Parents & supporters

Wondering how you can assist your student in planning for their future? Explore resources and tips to help your student find their path.

[Parents & supporters →](#)



EXPLORE

Glossary

Explore the glossary to learn new terms you might come across during your research and application to post-secondary education.

[Glossary →](#)

Apply for admission

You've planned, searched, and now you're ready to apply! Here you can easily apply to any of B.C.'s 25 public post-secondary institutions.

Not sure how to apply? Check out our How-to guides for more information.

[Sign Up for your EducationPlannerBC Account](#)

OR

[Login to your EducationPlannerBC Account](#)

1

Select
Institution

2

Complete
Application

3

Review
&
Submit

UBC vs SFU vs KPU

UBC

- Competitive intake
- Consider grade 11 / 12 marks
- Min. 70% English 11 / 12
- Recommended to have 6 grade 12 courses in addition to English 12
- Need to complete UBC Personal Profile – volunteering, personal accomplishments, etc. are taken into consideration
- **Must have a PROFICIENT or 3 / 4 on the Literacy 12 Assessment**
- Tuition for 1st year about \$6,200 - \$13,500 (depending on program, housing, etc.)

Applications open October 1st (UBC, SFU, KPU, Langara, UVIC, UFV, Douglas, Capilano)

SFU

- Competitive intake
- Consider grade 11 / 12 marks
- Min. 70% in English 12
- Min, 60% in senior level Mathematics
- Must have 5 approved grade 12 courses
- Tuition per year about \$7,300 – \$11,750

KPU

- Open / Limited intakes
- Min. C+ in English 12 for all Arts, Science and Business programs
- Limited intake programs may have more specific requirements
- Tuition per year about \$6,200

Other Post-Secondary Options

Capilano University – Graphic Arts, Music, Film, Tourism

Douglas College – Criminology, History, Nursing, Acting

Vancouver Film School – 3D & Visual Arts, Film, Acting, Game Design

Emily Carr – Fine Arts

BCIT – Trades, Business & Media, Computer Science & Technology

Royal Military College or **Canadian Coast Guard College**

JIBC – Policing, Firefighting, Paramedic

How to Stay Informed

- Browse university and college websites to get the most up to date admission and prerequisite information
- Register for post-secondary **Open Houses, Campus Tours** and **Virtual Information Sessions**
- Call and make an appointment with an advisor at the post-secondary school or program you want to attend
- **Visit the Career Centre to speak to Ms. Becker or Ms. Crocker**
- **Speak to your counsellor**
- **Read the information in the [JH Grade 12 Team](#) often!**

Scholarships

- Scholarships are posted on the [Grade 12 team](#)
- Several have been posted already – there is a scholarship / award for everyone!
- [Great Source of Information for Scholarships or Scholar Tree](#)
- Some scholarships require a nomination from the school – please complete the necessary application paperwork and submit it to Ms. Becker in the Career Centre – once all the applications are vetted, the successful nominee will be contacted
- External, District Authority, Partners 36, Internal scholarships (the internal scholarship application will be available for Grads to apply in April)



CLASS OF
2027

Grad Expectations – Grad in Good Standing

- To participate in extra-curricular activities at JH (including all Grad events), students must:
 - Attend regularly and on time;
 - Attend all classes the day of and the day after the event;
 - Have no infractions without a satisfactory resolution;
 - Follow all expectations outlined in the Grad letter (which must be signed and submitted to the office before participating in any Grad events).



JOHNSTON HEIGHTS SECONDARY SCHOOL
15350 – 99 Avenue, Surrey, BC, V3R 0R9

For participation in Grad activities, this form must be returned to the school front office by Friday, October 2nd, 2026.

The intent of this document is to create transparency regarding our expectations for the students in the grade 12 class. These expectations are not set up to be punitive towards our students, but rather, to encourage our students to respect Johnston Heights' Code of Conduct, to develop or maintain positive work habits and to remain focused until the end of the year.

Our expectations include:

- Regular attendance to all classes;
- No involvement with tobacco, e-cigarettes / vaping, drugs or alcohol at school – including before or during school-sponsored events, activities or field trips.
- No involvement in any activity deemed a “prank”, whether in the school or not, that jeopardizes the safety, well-being, security of others and / or property. A “prank” is any activity carried out by students that:
 - Causes damage to school property or to property in the community;
 - Incurs a financial cost to individuals, the district, or businesses in the community;
 - Causes damage to our school’s reputation;
 - Negatively impacts the physical or emotional well-being of Surrey School District (SD36) students, staff, and / or the community;
 - Disrupts teaching and learning;
 - Uses language or images that humiliate, threaten or violate the privacy of individuals on an online platform (i.e. Instagram, TikTok, Snapchat, Facebook).

Consequences may include (but are not limited to):

1. Denied participation in future grad events, including the Dinner / Dance or Commencement;
2. In or out of School Suspension;
3. Administrative transfer to another Surrey school or program.

I, _____ (Student Name), understand the expectations outlined above and the possible consequences if these expectations are not met.

Please complete the area below and submit this form to the Main Office.

Student Signature: _____ Student #: _____ Date: _____

Parent Name (please print): _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Grad Crimes (“Pranks”)

It is not acceptable for students to be involved in any type of Grad prank.

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Grad Boat Cruise

- Wednesday, October 21st
- 6:00 – 9:00 pm
- Be at the school 3:15pm.
- Arrival back to school at 10:00pm.
- Autumn Theme
- SOLD OUT!
- No guests allowed.



Grad Photos

- The Artona Grad photos will be taking place at Johnston Heights from **February 11th – 18th, 2027**.
- Book NOW!!! - [Artona Bookings](#)
- Booking times range from 8:30 am to 9:15 pm.
- There are limited openings – if you do not book early, you may have to go to another school site or to the main Artona site in Vancouver.
- The Artona mobile studio will be in the JH staff parking lot.
- Bring a \$60 refundable deposit – your account will be credited when a package is purchased.
- Your Grad photo will be used for the yearbook, the Grad composite and for Commencement.
- The Artona Grad Friendship Group photos are taking place at JH from **February 24th - 25th, 2027** (if they do not get enough Grads to sign up, they will cancel the session, so sign up early!



Commencement Ceremony

- Tuesday, May 18th, 2027
- 6:30 pm
- Chandos Pattison Theatre (Pacific Academy)
- Tickets and gowns will be distributed on **Thursday, May 13th following the mandatory Grad assembly.**
- All grads will receive **FOUR** tickets for free. If you would like to purchase more, tickets will be sold the following day for \$5 cash (each). You can buy a maximum of **THREE** extra tickets. **TICKETS ARE LIMITED!**
- You must pay your \$50 Commencement fee through School Cash Online before you can get your gown / tickets.
- Make sure you are in the Grade 12 Team, and you have your notifications on!



Grad Red Carpet / Dinner and Dance

Thursday, June 24th, 2027

Red Carpet Event at JH

4:00 – 5:00 pm (Board buses at 5:00 pm)

Aria Banquet and Convention Centre

6:00 pm – 11 pm (Board buses to head to Dry Grad event)

No guests allowed.

Dry Grad

- Will follow Dinner and Dance (location TBA).
- Dry Grad is a longstanding tradition at JH that is organized each year for the graduating class by a dedicated parent volunteer committee. The school is not involved in the planning of Dry Grad.
- It is a parent supervised all-night event that includes entertainment, a variety of activities, food, door prizes and much, much more.
- Meetings will be announced through the EagleTime app and on the school calendar on our website.
- The first Dry Grad meeting is on **Monday, September 28th at 6:00 pm in the school library.**
- **Dry Grad is a significant undertaking. Please consider volunteering. Many hands make light work!**

Student Parking

- If students are planning to park at JH this year, you will need to complete the parking registration form and return it to the office
- Students will then meet with their alpha VP to review parking lot expectations
- Once this process is complete, students will receive a parking pass that must be displayed in their car at all times, while parked at school



Literacy 12 Assessment

- Taking place **during the week of November 2nd – 5th, 2026**
- Students will be grouped by their English 12 classes.
- If your child is currently taking English 12 online or completed English 12 in summer school, they must contact Mr. England to be signed up for the assessment.
- **This is a graduation requirement. All grade 12 students must complete the assessment.**
- Mr. England will send out more information about session times.
- The Literacy 12 Assessment **makeup dates will be during the week of April 12th – 16th.**

Please Join Our PAC!

- The first PAC meeting will be on **Monday, September 28th** at **7:00 pm** in the library (following the Dry Grad meeting).
- Everyone is welcome!





Let's have a GREAT
year!

QUESTIONS??