



# SA-HALI SECONDARY GRADUATION 2025

Newsletter #1 – October 1, 2024

## IMPORTANT DATES:

January 16 to 24	Grad Photos
February 24/25	Grad Photo Retakes
May 1	Grad Fees Deadline (including school fees, textbook & library)
June 1	Grad Requirements deadline to participate in commencements
June 6	Commencement Ceremony, MacArthur Island, 7pm

## GRAD GOOGLE CLASSROOM:

Students can stay up to date with important information regarding graduation by subscribing to the Google Classroom.

Class code: [iljlrhe](#)

## GRAD COUNCIL:

It's time to get the Grad Council up and running! Any student interested can be part of the Grad Council. There will be a meeting in A5 on Wednesday, October 2 for anyone interested in helping out with the Grad Council.

## BABY PHOTOS

A long standing Sa-Hali tradition! Many families enjoy including a baby photo of their graduate as part of the celebration. Those that choose to take part in this can submit baby photos [HERE](#). Baby photos will accompany the grad portrait in the slideshow used at commencement ceremonies as well as in the yearbook.

## COMMENCEMENT INFORMATION:

### Commencement Fee is \$100

- Commencement costs include all costs associated with the commencement ceremony, diploma holder with graduate photo & grad memento.
- Commencement fees have been added and can be paid through SchoolCash Online or at the main office.
- Fees must be paid before grad gown pick-up.
- Gowns will be ordered within the next few weeks. If it has not been done already, students need to submit their sizes using [THIS](#) form (also posted on the Google Classroom).
- Grad gowns will arrive in January. More information regarding Grad Gown distribution will be forthcoming. At this time, we will be using the photographer's gowns for Grad photos in January. Grad 2025 tassels will be distributed to graduating students before the Commencement Ceremonies in June.
- Once distributed, Grad Gowns must be kept at home with the student for use at Grad Commencements.

## GRAD PHOTO INFORMATION:

**Grad Photos will take place the week of January 16 to January 24.** We will use the PTC Fast online sign up (the same system we use for parent teacher interviews) to sign up for a slot. You will be able to sign up for a slot in December. **Grad photos are used for the yearbook and class composite purposes. All Grads should have their photo taken, even if you do not plan on purchasing a photo package.** The sitting fee is \$35 – be sure to bring the \$35 fee to the photographer when you have your photos done. *Grad Photo retakes are scheduled for February 24/25.*

## **Important Message from the Photographer: Right Photography Ltd.**

- Grads will need to come in 10 minutes prior to their appointment
- Graduates should dress appropriately – ie: blouse or V-neck shirt, shirt and tie. No T-shirts please
- Sitting fee is \$35 for 12 poses
- Small props that can be held are permissible

## **REQUIREMENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN GRADUATION CEREMONY:**

**In order to be eligible to participate in the June Commencement Ceremony, a student must be completing graduation requirements by the end of their Grade 12 year.** At midterm, in February, there will be an adjudication of any students in grade 12 with failing grades. Administration, in consultation with counselors and teachers, will conduct this process. Failing students will be warned formally as part of this process. **Students will have until the last week of May to improve any failing marks. Students who are still failing at the end of May will not be permitted to participate in the Graduation Commencement Ceremony.**

## **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:**

To graduate, students require at least 80 credits total.

Of these 80 credits:

- At least 16 credits must be at the Grade 12 level, including a required Language Arts 12
- At least 28 credits must be elective course credits
- 52 credits are required from the following:
  - Career-Life Education (4 credits), and Career-Life Connections (4 credits)
  - Physical and Health Education 10 (4 credits)
  - Science 10 (4 credits), and a Science 11 or 12 (4 credits)
  - Social Studies 10 (4 credits), and a Social Studies 11 or 12 (4 credits)
  - A Math 10 (4 credits), and a Math 11 or 12 (4 credits)
  - A Language Arts 10, 11 and a required 12 (12 credits total)
  - An Arts Education 10, 11, or 12 and/or an Applied Design, Skills, and Technologies 10, 11, or 12 (4 credits total)

In addition, students on the B.C. Graduation Program **must** also complete graduation assessments aligned with the redesigned curriculum in literacy and in numeracy.

## **TRADES AND ALTERNATE PROGRAM STUDENTS:**

If you are a student enrolled in a Trades, TRU, academy or another alternate program that has you graduating EARLY or that has you studying off Sa-Hali campus, please make sure you have joined the Google Classroom. Contact Ms. Dolha with any questions.

**\*For the most updated Grad 2025 information, please visit our website at [sahali.sd73.bc.ca](http://sahali.sd73.bc.ca).**

**All Grad information will be posted on our website under “Path to Graduation” then “Graduation”.**

**If you have any questions or concerns regarding Graduation, please contact Ms. Dolha by email at [kdolha@sd73.bc.ca](mailto:kdolha@sd73.bc.ca) or telephone at 250-374-0861**

**Thank you for your Support!**

