



SA-HALI SECONDARY GRADUATION 2026

Newsletter #1 – September 26, 2025

IMPORTANT DATES:

January 20 to 27	Grad Photos
February 24&25	Grad Photo Retakes
May 1	Grad Fees Deadline (including school fees, textbook & library)
May 30	Grad Requirements deadline to participate in commencements
June 22, 2026	Commencement Ceremony, Venue TBD, 7pm

GRAD GOOGLE CLASSROOM:

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

Class code: [3z3asjch](#)

GRAD COUNCIL:

The Grad council met on September 24 and began the process of getting the grad wear online store organized. More information about grad wear will be coming out soon. Grad council will meet again in October, please continue to use the Google Classroom to stay up to date on when these meetings will occur. They are NOT scheduled at regular intervals.

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 TBD

- Commencement costs include all costs associated with the commencement ceremony, diploma holder with graduate photo & grad memento.
- Commencement fees will be added and can be paid through SchoolCash Online (and will include a transaction fee) or at the main office by cash or cheque.
- 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). More information of grad gown distribution to follow.
- For grad photos we will be using the grad gowns provided by the photographer. Should you choose to get other photos done we can lend you a gown and cap for these. Students will receive a gown, cap and a tassel with grad 2026 on it for the commencement ceremony, this is part of the grad fee. 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 20 to January 27. 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. (**NOTE 4 credits = 1 course)

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. Waage with any questions.

***For the most updated Grad 2026 information, please visit our website at 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. Waage by email at cwaage@sd73.bc.ca or telephone at 250-374-0861

Thank you for your Support!