



WHALERS

# Grad 2025

Grad Parent/Caregiver Meeting - September 24, 2024





We would like to acknowledge that École Ballenas Secondary exists within the territories of the Coast Salish People and within the shared traditional territories of the Qualicum and Snaw'naw'as First Nations.

# Nuw'ilum - Bienvenue - Welcome

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- ❑ *Counselling Updates*
- ❑ *Dates @ a Glance*
- ❑ *Information Sharing*
- ❑ *Student Grad Council*
- ❑ *Parent Committee and Future Meeting*



# Our Goal | Our Why

*Every learner crossing the stage with dignity, purpose, and options.*



# Updates from Counselling

Who's who?

What we do?

REACH OUT

Slides from [Counselling](#) - linked on webpage

# Dates at a Glance

[Website with dates](#)

# Information Sharing

[Ballenas School Website](#) (all)

[Grad Google Classroom](#) (students)



# Roles and Responsibilities

## School

- ❑ School-based events (in conjunction with student grad council)
- ❑ Information sharing
- ❑ Grad involvement/connection
- ❑ Commencement ceremony
- ❑ Fees = commencement ceremony and additional costs

## Parent Group

- ❑ Form a committee - planning of “event”
  - ❑ Chair (or co-chairs)
  - ❑ Secretary
  - ❑ Treasurer
  - ❑ Communication
  - ❑ “Leads”
    - ❑ Fundraising\*
    - ❑ Event
      - ❑ Food
      - ❑ Venue
      - ❑ Entertainment
      - ❑ Etc.
- ❑ Fees = “event”

# Fees

- ❑ School:
  - ❑ Commencement
  - ❑ Cap and Gown
  - ❑ Yearbook
  - ❑ Commemorative Folder (Certificate, Photo)
- ❑ Prom/Event:
  - ❑ Venue
  - ❑ Food
  - ❑ Entertainment
  - ❑ Decor (?)

*Students can earn money back for fees paid - opportunities are shared from **Grad Council**. Students can learn about/sign up for this opportunities via:*

- *Grad Google Classroom*
- *Grad Info Board*
- *Grad Instagram*
- *Announcements*

*Example: Pizza Sales, Halloween Events, Community Involvement*

# Future Meeting(s)

- ❑ Proposal: meet again in a week with those interested in parent committee roles; committee then meets regularly - as needed
- ❑ Info from past committees available
- ❑ [Website](#) - best place for information
- ❑ Email - always available for questions!
- ❑ Remind your grads to book their grad reviews with counselling

Wednesday October 2nd - Library Learning Commons 6:30 PM

# GRADUATION 2025



Dignity | Purpose | Options | Wellbeing