



ST. THOMAS AQUINAS REGIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOL
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Welcome

STA Graduation 2025

Parent Information Meeting

Tuesday, September 24th, 2024



A. Introduction: Mr Krol

- a. Welcome
- b. Prayer
- c. Overview

B. Graduation Events Information:

Ms Mattia & Ms Martins

- a. School sponsored events
- b. Grad portraits
- c. Grad Activity Fee
- d. Fundraising Opportunities
- e. Name/height Confirmation sheet
- f. Yearbook Write-ups
- g. Valedictorian Selection Process
- h. Ranking for awards

C. After Grad: Mrs.Duncan/Mrs. Cantas
Mrs. Puelle

D. Graduation Transitions: Mr. Salituro

E. Post-Secondary: Mr. Salituro

- a. Admissions
- b. Post-Secondary Planning
- c. Post-Secondary Day
- d. University Visits
- e. Scholarships and Bursaries
- f. Transcripts/Reference Letters – All About Me form

F. Grade 12 Retreat - Mr. Krol

G. Questions and Answers



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School Sponsored Events

Graduation Mass

Friday, June 6th

11:00 am

STA Gym

*Family & Friends
welcome!*





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Commencement Ceremony - *Thurs. June 19th, 7:00 pm*
Massey Theatre, New Westminster



Family and Friends welcome!



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Dinner Dance - Friday, June 20th, 6:00 pm Stanley Park Ballroom, Westin Bayshore

***A celebration for
graduates and their
parents!***





Grad Portraits & Grad info on Website

Custodio Photographers Ltd.

Online appointment booking link is available @ www.aquinas.org

Grad information will be available at
www.aquinas.org – Parent Portal and Student Portal – button
on second row of Resources



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Graduation Information – 2025

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- **Graduation Information – 2025**
- Cafeteria
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- Bell Schedule

STA Graduation Events Coordinator

Ms. Mattia

Click [HERE](#) for more details about the events below

1. **Graduation Mass & Reception:** Friday, June 6, 2025 – 11:00 am @STA Gym
2. **Commencement Ceremony:** Thursday, June 19, 2025 – 7:00 pm @Massey Theatre, New Westminster
3. **Dinner and Dance:** Friday, June 20, 2025 – 6:00 pm-Midnight @Westin Bayshore, Vancouver

Information Night for Grad 2025 Parents – Tuesday, September 24th @ 7:00 pm STA Gym

- Graduation Information Letter
- Agenda
- Presentation: Graduation Events
- Presentation: Graduation Requirements: Academic Advising



Grad Activity Fee

\$70 covers the purchase of the grad gown, cap, diploma, invitations, composite photo and flowers.

\$50 After Grad deposit so bookings can be made



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Fundraising Initiatives

Purdys Chocolate Sales

Christmas - brochures available tonight - order deadline is Monday, November 25th

Easter - Spring 2025

Grads earn 25% towards their Dinner Dance costs.



Fundraising Initiatives

Christmas Craft Fair

**Grads can earn \$20 for a two hour shift at the Craft Fair
Cafe - Sunday, November 3rd**



Diploma Name/Composite Name/Height

Confirm name to be used on the Diploma & Composite

Height needed for correct gown sizing

The Google Form must be completed by Oct.



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Yearbook Write-ups

Parents message to grads and baby photos for the yearbook will be collected via the Media Arts class. Stay tuned.



Valedictorian Selection Process & Class Ranking

Eligibility for Valedictorian is based on standings in academic courses following the April reporting period. Qualifying candidates are invited to write and present their speech to a panel of peers and teachers.



After Grad : Parent Committee

The following information was prepared by the After Grad Parent Committee for presentation at our information session.

2025 Grad Parent Committee

Led by: Catherine Cantas and Paola Puelle

Adela Nichols
Eleana Rodriguez
Erin Arnold
Gladys Kasabashian
Marilou Lamy
Rachael Monteith
Sandra Alsop
Terri Maloof
Tanya McMillan
(Kelly Bond)

AND ALL OF YOU !
Many hands make
light work!



What do we do?

Our goal is to organize fun and exciting events that will increase camaraderie and create lasting memories for our kids in their final year of school together!

The Parent Committee is in charge of:

- The Boat Cruise
- The Semi Formal
- The After Grad
- AND Fundraising to pay for Grad Events



Committee Organization

- ★ Boat Cruise - Eleana Rodriguez and Gladys Kasabashian
- ★ Semi Formal - Sandra Alsop and Catherine Cantas
- ★ After Grad - Marilou Lamy and Erin Arnold
- ★ Social Media & Event Photography - Tanya McMillan
- ★ Fundraising - Erin Arnold and ?

Event Schedule

Boat Cruise	September 21	What a SUCCESS! 94% participation! Thanks to all the parents who volunteered!
Semi-Formal	Saturday, April 5	Holiday Inn, North Van
After Grad - immediately following the Grad formal	Friday, June 20	Cineplex Park Royal

Fundraising Activities

<p>Online Christmas Auction</p>	<p>Live online from November 28 to December 5 (approximately)</p>	<p>This is our BIGGEST and hopefully only main fundraising event for the year for our Grad Events.</p> <p>We need your help to collect items, services, experiences for this auction</p>
<p>Pub Night</p>	<p>Thursday, December 5</p>	<p>Seymours Pub and Grill, Holiday Inn</p> <p>For grade 12 parents and their family and friends, for food, fun, bidding and prizes. All money raised will go to Grad events.</p>
<p>Other events (if needed after the auction) ? New ideas ? Samosas/meat/etc.</p>		

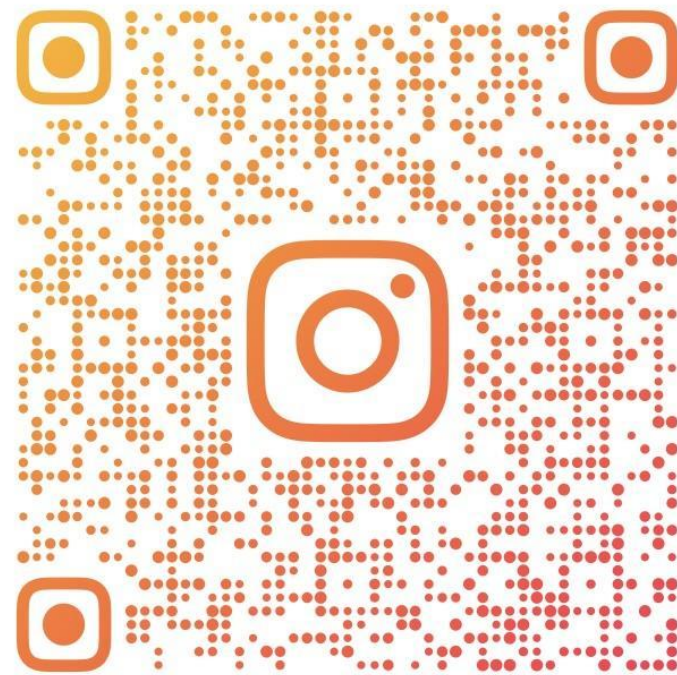
How can you help?

- ★ Join our committee! or...Contact us if you have new ideas.
- ★ Give 2-3 hours of your time at one of our events...set up, take down, chaperoning, etc. We ask that you sign up for one event on your way out tonight, and we will contact you.
- ★ Contribute gifts for our Online Christmas Auction. These can be items but also services or event tickets, travel vouchers, and experiences. More details to come via email asap.
- ★ Watch for emails from us stagrad2025@gmail.com (add us to your contacts)

Connect with us

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Let's work together to
make lasting and fun
memories for our
grads!!!



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Grade 12 Retreat



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Questions?