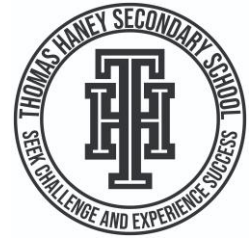


Thomas Haney Secondary School

**MARCH 2025**

March 1st, 2025



## A few highlights from February:

**Sightlines Theatre presents a Midsummer Night's Dream** - THSS Sightlines Theatre's enchanting production of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* opened last week with 3 matinees and 2 evening performances! Shakespeare's timeless comedy weaves a magical tale of love, mischief, and mistaken identity, set in an enchanted forest where fairies meddle, lovers tangle, and a troupe of amateur actors stirs up unexpected laughter. Our talented cast brings this whimsical world to life. Do not miss this unforgettable journey into the heart of imagination and magic! The shows continue this week with 7:00 pm curtain Wednesday through Friday.

**ThunderTech Robotics** - The ThunderTech Robotics Team showcased their innovation, teamwork, and determination at the Pacific Regional Championships at the Pacific Coliseum this past weekend. Competing against 48 top teams from across the region, they demonstrated exceptional skill, problem-solving, and perseverance in every match. Their hard work and dedication were on full display, making our school proud. Congratulations to the team for their incredible effort and for representing Thomas Haney Secondary with excellence!



**Forensics (Connections Law 12)** - Each year, our **Connections Law 12** class takes on the ultimate forensic challenge—solving a high-stakes mystery. This time, the crime scene, **Mr. Rowell's office**. With a trail of evidence that includes suspicious emails, outrageously funny videos, a lock that begs to be picked, DNA analysis, and even blood spatter, students must think like real forensic investigators. Just when they think they have it figured out, a **second crime scene in the auto shop** throws them a curveball. Can they follow the clues, analyze the evidence, and crack the case?



**THSS Wrestling** - Our inaugural THSS Thunder wrestling team had an incredible milestone last weekend, with two students qualifying for the Provincial Championships! This is an outstanding achievement, not only for our two wrestlers who advanced to the provincials at the Pacific Coliseum but also for Mr. McCartie, who launched the team. This experience is one they will remember for a lifetime. Congratulations to all!



**Senior Formal** - Our Student Council successfully planned and organized our sold out Hollywood-themed Senior Formal, creating an unforgettable night for our senior students. The event featured incredible student performances, a glamorous Academy Awards-style ceremony recognizing students, and a delicious meal prepared by our teaching kitchen. Guests enjoyed a professional photo studio before hitting the dance floor to cap off the evening in style.



**Camp Capilano Leadership Retreat** - Our leadership students had an unforgettable overnight adventure at Camp Capilano! The trip was packed with team-building activities, a classic campfire, and plenty of planning for our upcoming Spirit Week and Gym Riot and next year's school events. This experience not only strengthened their connections but also sets the stage for exciting initiatives that will help build and support our school community. We cannot wait to see their ideas come to life!



### **GRAD 2025 - Putting on the Glitz**

Graduating students who need support with formal wear (suit or dress and accessories) for the Grad Banquet are invited to take part in Putting on the Glitz, a district program that provides everything you need for the big night—**free of charge!** This event takes place over Spring Break at THSS and ensures that every student can celebrate in style. If you are interested, please see or message Mr. Rowell on Teams or speak with one of our counsellors, Mr. Grill or Ms. McPhedran.

### **Grad 2025 Dates (more events will be added throughout the year)**

- April 30th: Grad Fee Deadline
  - Fees can be paid on the parent portal or by cash or cheque at the office
  - Fees can be paid separately:
    - Grad Ceremony \$150
    - Grad Banquet \$100
    - Dry Grad \$50
- May 13: Grad Y Block Assembly - Check-In #3 & Valedictorian Vote
- May 28: Grad Breakfast & Rehearsal (7:30 am at THSS)
  - **Grads will receive their Grad Tickets & Cap and Gown**
- June 4: **Grad Ceremony at Queen Elizabeth Theatre (Vancouver) at 7:00 pm**
- June 6: Grad Banquet (Dinner & Dance) at Meadow Gardens at 7:00 pm
- June 6: Dry Grad at THSS at 11:30 pm (until 5:00 am)

### **Important March Dates**

- Monday, March 3rd - Late Start (TA at 9:30 am)
- Friday, March 14th - last day before Spring Break
- Japan student trip with Mr. Cowie - during Spring Break
- Monday, March 31st - schools opens after Spring Break

## Key Contacts

The following list of counsellors and administrators, and their grades are listed below:

- **Administration**
  - Mr. Rowell (Principal - Grade 12s)
    - [Darren\\_Rowell@sd42.ca](mailto:Darren_Rowell@sd42.ca)
  - Ms. Kania (Vice Principal - Gr. 9 &11s)
    - [Lisa\\_Kania@sd42.ca](mailto:Lisa_Kania@sd42.ca)
  - Mr. Kater (Vice Principal - Gr. 8 &10s)
    - [Steve\\_Kater@sd42.ca](mailto:Steve_Kater@sd42.ca)
  
- **Counsellors**
  - Mr. Grill (Counsellor - Gr. 8, 10 & 12s M-Z)
    - [Dan\\_Grill@sd42.ca](mailto:Dan_Grill@sd42.ca)
  - Ms. McPhedran (Counsellor - Gr. 9, 11 & 12s A-L)
    - [Kaley\\_McPhedran@sd42.ca](mailto:Kaley_McPhedran@sd42.ca)

Please do not hesitate to email [Darren\\_Rowell@sd42.ca](mailto:Darren_Rowell@sd42.ca) if you need further information or have any questions.

Sincerely,

Darren Rowell  
Principal, Thomas Haney Secondary School



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- Lead children's games, crafts, and outdoor engagement and play
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- Letter of reference provided upon request
- Certificate of completion provided
- Must be at least 15 years of age
- Training session & orientation provided by staff

For more details to to apply, email us at [communications@alouetteriver.org](mailto:communications@alouetteriver.org)

## CAMP DETAILS

### Lego Minecraft

March 17-21 (Age 5-7)

### Artful Adventures

March 24-28 (Age 8-12)

9:30am-2:00pm

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## Board Meeting Highlights (February 12, 2025)

Board meeting highlights from the February 12, 2025, public meeting can be found on the district website: <https://www.sd42.ca/assets/media/2025-02-12-Board-Meeting-Highlights.pdf>

## SD42 Accessibility Barrier Report Form

Maple Ridge – Pitt Meadows School District No. 42 is inviting feedback from students, staff, and families on accessibility barriers in the district. These barriers can range from access to a school program, building, or school information, to the ability to receive a needed service or support. Provide feedback at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SD42access>

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