

# Superintendent's News & Events Report to the Board

Regular Board Meeting of April 5, 2016

*Serving the communities of Anmore, Belcarra, Coquitlam, Port Coquitlam and Port Moody*

1. **SD43's annual budget process begins next week** with the **Preliminary Budget Presentation and Open House** on April 12, 7 p.m. at Winslow Centre. During the month of April there will be multiple opportunities for public input including a Twitter chat on April 14, 4-5 p.m. **More information is available online at [www.sd43.bc.ca/budget](http://www.sd43.bc.ca/budget).**
2. **SD43 is seeking suggestions for the name of the new elementary school** located at 3456 Princeton Avenue in the Smiling Creek neighbourhood on Burke Mountain, Coquitlam. Suggestions can be submitted to [facilitiesnaming@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:facilitiesnaming@sd43.bc.ca) by April 21, 2016. More information is available online at [www.sd43.bc.ca](http://www.sd43.bc.ca).
3. **Registration is open for SD43's ACE IT programs.** Students gain level 1 technical training while in high school in one of 14 trades. All programs are tuition-free. Deadline is April 30. Learn more online at [www.sd43.bc.ca/careerprograms](http://www.sd43.bc.ca/careerprograms).
4. **Panorama Heights Elementary** is one of 10 SD43 schools to purchase pedal desks and other active equipment for use in classes this year. The initiative is one of several strategies SD43 schools are using to teach students self-regulation.
5. **Terry Fox Secondary's** leadership team **raised over \$8000 for Kidsport** by selling "Kindness Counts" anti-bullying t-shirts.
6. **Inspired by RAC week**, grade one students at **Glen Elementary** collected 100 cans of **food for the Share Food Bank** in celebration of the 100th day of school.
7. SD43 Sports News:
  - **Heritage Woods Secondary's senior boys** took home the Tier 2 BC high school lacrosse provincial championship title.
  - **Riverside Secondary's boys** placed 4th in the BC high school curling provincial championships.
  - In basketball, **Riverside Secondary's senior girls** placed 5th, **Dr. Charles Best Secondary** 9th and **Gleneagle Secondary** 14th in the BC high school AAA provincial championships. **Terry Fox Secondary's** junior girls finished 8th and their AAAA senior boys finished 13th at the provincial tournament. **Eagle Mountain Middle's grade 8 girls** won the district championships and **Minnekhada Middle** finished 2nd.
  - **Riverside Secondary's Haley de Jong** finished 2nd overall at the **World Olympic Gymnastics Academy Classic International Elite competition** in Texas and helped Team Canada win bronze in the team event.
  - At the **BC Winter games**, **Port Moody Secondary's Hana Stewart** won silver and bronze in archery. **Terry Fox Secondary's Matteo Jang** won gold in the two-day aggregate and silver in the third day of shoot eliminations and **Erin Mulligan** and **Amanda Weloy** received medals for their participation in Ringette.
  - **Summit Middle** grade 6 student, Paxton Lin and grade 8 student, Nestor Lin won gold medals at the badminton 2016 Shuttlesport Junior A Tournament.
  - **Dr. Charles Best Secondary** grade 10 student, Mikayla Papillo, placed 5th at the Canadian National Qualifier Synchronized Swimming Championships. Her BC Aquasonics team also placed 5th in Junior Team Routine and 6th overall.
  - **Terry Fox Secondary's** Dakota Heth and Morgan Rodgerson participated in the national five pin bowling tournament in Winnipeg, helping Team BC to a 4th place finish.



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8. In March, **Heritage Mountain Secondary** and **Gleneagle Secondary** students participated in a **volunteer invasive species removal effort along Port Moody's Shoreline Trail**, led by the Lower Mainland Green Team (LMGT).
9. **Dr. Charles Best Secondary** students got to swim in a shark tank, visit the pyramids of Giza and stand on the moon thanks to Google's new virtual reality technology and pilot program Pioneer Expeditions.
10. Students from **Inquiry Hub** placed **2nd** out of 63 teams at the **University of British Columbia's annual Physics Olympics** in the Pre-build category.
11. Grade 5 students at **Panorama Heights Elementary** helped host "Hoops for Hope," a basketball tournament raising over \$1300 for Crossroads Hospice Memory Albums.
12. **Moody Middle** had a **successful Presentations of Learning event** on March 9, where students had the opportunity to talk about their learning journey.
13. **Gleneagle Secondary's leadership team** is holding an overnight sleep-out tonight to raise awareness and funds for Covenant House, which supports street youth.
14. Over spring break, **SD43 Community School Coordinators** with SFU student teachers and Faculty Associates, **hosted a week-long camp for students** called the **School of Wonderstanding**. In total 240 students attended.
15. **Moody Middle's leadership students** raised over \$350 in cupcake sales for the BC SPCA.
16. **Ten SD43 students took part in this year's week-long RCMP youth academy**. The graduation ceremony was held April 1 with the Lieutenant Governor in attendance.
17. **Gleneagle Secondary will host the SD43 Improv Invitational** on April 8. Local high school drama teams will share the stage with professional comedians from Second Storey. Tickets available at the door at the school.
18. **At the regional SkillsBC competition, Terry Fox Secondary's** Luis Bolanos placed 4th in Web Design, while Nathan Barnhart won silver and Ryan Macdonald bronze in Carpentry. **Centennial Secondary's** Amy Lin won gold for cooking and will be competing at the provincial SkillsBC competition at the Abbotsford Tradex on April 13, 2016.
19. More than 2,000 elementary students from across the district are expected to participate in **the 38th annual Como Lake Relays on April 13 and 14**.
20. **Moodle Middle presents Disney's the Little Mermaid**, April 18-21. Tickets available at school office or at the door.
21. **Inquiry Hub Secondary is hosting Design Games 2016** for SD43 middle and secondary students on May 7. Register by contacting [pkhalili@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:pkhalili@sd43.bc.ca).

