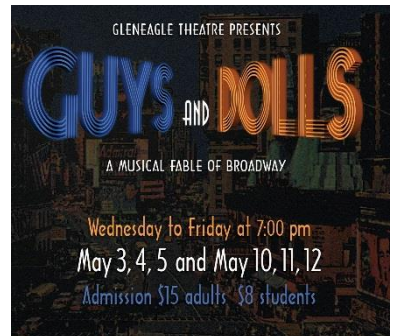


1. **Panorama Heights Elementary** celebrated its [25th anniversary](#) with a special event on Thursday, April 13. Among the attendees at the event included **SD43 Board Chair Kerri Palmer Isaak, Vice-Chair Carol Cahoon, Trustees Barb Hobson and Michael Thomas, SD43 Superintendent Patricia Gartland, SD43 Assistant Superintendent Reno Cioffi, Coquitlam Mayor Richard Stewart, and School Principal Wendy Yu** along with other present and former administrators, teachers, staff and students.
2. **Heritage Woods Secondary** was named [one of the winners of the WorkSafeBC student video film contest](#) for their submission titled ['Bullying in the Workplace.'](#) The video will be part of a provincial campaign on safety.
3. **Hillcrest Middle's Odyssey of the Mind team** captured gold at the provincial championship in April and have [earned a trip to the World Championship taking place in May at Michigan State University.](#) To help Hillcrest Middle fundraise for their trip to the world finals, visit www.gofundme.com/hillcrestmiddle. **Glenayre Elementary** finished in bronze spot at the provincial championship.
4. **Port Moody Secondary** was named one of the [BC Green Games winners in the Call2Recycle Viewers' Choice Award category](#) for earning one of the highest vote counts for their project titled "One Water Bottle At A Time!"
5. **Pitt River Middle students** had a chance to put their sleuthing skills to the test in April as part of the school's CSI unit as they [investigated the fictitious theft of their Terry Fox memorial](#) working alongside the Coquitlam RCMP and Genome BC.
6. **Gleneagle Secondary** will host [Talk To Me 4.0](#) on Friday, April 28 at 6 p.m., an event organized by the school's leadership students designed to bring awareness to mental health. Proceeds from ticket sales support the Mood Disorders Association of BC. Gleneagle Secondary students in the **TALONS program** will also host a [Youth Mental Wellness Fair called "Heart to Heart"](#) on Saturday, April 29 at the school's field which will feature speakers, information booths, communication-based obstacle courses and drawing classes. The event is drop-in style and is free to attend.
7. **Eleven SD43 students** representing four schools – **Heritage Woods Secondary, Riverside Secondary, Inquiry Hub and Hillcrest Middle** – [won awards at the Greater Vancouver Regional Science Fair](#) that took place at UBC from April 6-8. **Inquiry Hub student Mike Roslikov** was the most noteworthy winner as he not only earned three awards for his project titled "Sleep Analysis" but also earned top honours and a trip to participate in the Canada-Wide Science Fair in Regina, Saskatchewan in May.
8. **Eagle Mountain Middle** participated in [Vancouver Biennale's BIG IDEAS in-School 2017 Program](#) where they worked alongside artist Kia Kadiri to [explore the theme of identity through spoken word.](#)



9. Ten teachers at **Riverside Secondary** gladly had their heads and/or beards shaved in April after the school's fundraising campaign netted over \$10,000 in support of BC Children's Hospital and Balding for Dollars.
10. **Hillcrest Middle students** partnered with the City of Coquitlam to [decommission the unsanctioned trails](#) in environmentally sensitive areas in Mundy Park.
11. **Dr. Charles Best Secondary** presents *Bye Bye Birdie* from May 3-6 and 10-13. Tickets are \$15 (\$12 for students and seniors) and are available at the school.
12. **Gleneagle Secondary** presents *Guys and Dolls* from May 3-5 and 10-12. Tickets are \$15 (\$8 for students and seniors, free for children under five) and are available at the school.
13. **Castle Park Elementary student Ava Dickson** has been selected as [Port Coquitlam's May Queen for the year](#) and will be representing the city on its May Day parade float on May 13. **Mary Hill Elementary student Katrina Herrera** was named first princess.
14. Plenty of SD43 success stories from the courts and the turf including:
 - **Riverside Secondary students Jake Li and Clarence Liu** captured first place in Boys Doubles Badminton at the District Championships.
 - **Port Moody Secondary cheerleaders** earned second place at the Sea-2-Sky international cheerleading competition in April.
 - **SD43 students Bernice Mau (Gleneagle Secondary) and Zachery Lee (Riverside Secondary)** were named [the Amateur Youth Latin champions](#) at the Canadian Closed Championships by DanceSport BC.
 - **Pinetree Secondary student Danielle Lew** captured her third national title in the 49 kg weight-class at the Wrestling Juvenile Nationals in Windsor, Ontario. She also captured second place in the same weight class at the junior nationals in Saint Catherines, Ontario. Lew has received a wrestling scholarship from Simon Fraser University.
 - **Dr. Charles Best Secondary student Kendal Sands** will [be joining Simon Fraser University's NCAA basketball team](#) in the fall, while schoolmate **Joey Mijaljevic** will be [joining SFU's soccer team](#).
 - **Terry Fox Secondary alumnus Ryan Sclater**, the Canada West male athlete of the year, has been [named a finalist for the 2016-2017 BLG Award](#) which honours the top university athletes in the country and promotes post-graduate studies at Canadian universities.



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