



THE "BEST" INFORMER



APRIL 15 & 16, 2021

****Please note: All new and changed items are in red****



GENERAL

APRIL 19-23 SCHEDULE

Note the schedule on Wednesday April 21.
Last day of Quarter 3 is Thursday, April 22.
No school Friday, April 23

Dr. Charles Best Secondary Quarter 3



April 19 – April 23, 2021 (PLEASE NOTE: WEDNESDAY FOLLOWS "FRIDAY" SCHEDULE)						
Period	Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
0 (linear)	7:00 - 8:00 60 min	LINEAR: Band/Choir - Gr. 11/12; Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri - Mr. Hughes to advise students when to attend i.e., choir, band, and various levels, etc. LINEAR: Basketball/Fitness, Butterfly Effect				
1 (quarter)	8:05 - 10:35 warning bell @10:05 120 + 30**	In Class (A-L) Remote (M-Z)	In Class (M-Z) Remote (A-L)	In Class (M-Z) Remote (A-L)	In Class (A-L) Remote (M-Z)	PRO-D (NO SCHOOL)
	10:35 - 11:05 30 min	L U N C H				
2 (quarter)	11:05 - 1:35 warning bell @1:05 120 + 30** min	In Class (A-Z)	In Class (A-Z)	In Class (A-Z)	In Class (A-Z)	PRO-D (NO SCHOOL)
3 (semester)	1:40 - 3:00 * 65 + 15** min	In class (A-L) Remote (M-Z)	In Class (M-Z) Remote (A-L)	In Class (M-Z) Remote (A-L)	In Class (A-L) Remote (M-Z)	PRO-D (NO SCHOOL)
X (linear)	3:05 - 4:20 60 + 15** min	LINEAR: Band/Choir - Gr. 11/12; Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri - Mr. Hughes to advise when to attend i.e., choir, band, and various levels, etc. LINEAR: Fly Fishing, Athletic Leadership, Butterfly Effect - Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri - TBD by teachers (alternating). Times will be flexible depending on the projects.				

Q3 runs – February 2 – April 23, 2021

* Period 3 Linear Jr. Band/Choir - Gr. 9/10; Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri - alpha splits

Semester All other Blk 3 -

FUNDRAISERS/EVENTS AT SCHOOL

Blue Devil stickers can be purchased at the Devil's Den. Please consider supporting these important causes.

DR. CHARLES BEST SECONDARY SCHOOL

Food Drive!

Located at Dr. Charles Best from 7:40am - 4pm on April 19-21

Drop off your non-perishable items or donations at the big tent outside to support your local food bank!

COVID-19 safety protocols followed

\$2 BLUE DEVILS STICKERS



PROFITS WILL BE DONATED TO THE CANADIAN TRANSPLANT ASSOCIATION



GRAD 2022 FUNDRAISER

It's the perfect time to start planning your garden!

Help support the Class of 2022 with their hanging basket and plant fundraiser running from April 6 to April 21. Covid protocols will be in place and a drive through pick up will take place on May 6.

Check out the details here:

drcharlesbest.growingsmilesfundraising.com



PAC GENERAL MEETING

Join us for the next Charles Best PAC Meeting on Monday, April 19, 2021 at 7:30pm via Zoom.

More information including the zoom link will be in the Friday, April 16th newsletter.

NEW CAFETERIA HOURS

Beginning on Monday, April 19, the cafeteria will be open from 9:00 - 1:30pm



YEARBOOKS

Only 50 yearbooks remaining for the 2020-2021 school year.

To order, go to the school website, click on quick links, school cash online.

TEXTBOOKS/LIBRARY BOOKS

Please return any outstanding textbooks asap to the office. Any library books are to be returned to the library.

THANKYOU!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES WITH UBC GEERING UP

Leaders-in-training and Junior Instructors are wanted as support staff for kids' virtual summer camps. They will work closely with the instructor team to deliver and share STEM to youth in a hands-on and dynamic learning environment. **High School students going into Grade 10 and above are welcome to apply.** For details:

<https://geeringup.apsc.ubc.ca/join-us/general-information/volunteering/>

CAMP IGNITE

Youth Firefighter Mentorship Program **for Grade 11 & 12 Girls** taking place August 14, 2021. Camp Ignite offers an introduction to the exciting world of firefighting. **Applications are now accepted.**

<https://campignite.com/>



SOYL (SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES IN YOUTH LEADERSHIP)

Fresh Roots in partnership with school districts is offering a 6-week summer leadership and empowerment program. Nearest location will be Suwa'lkh School in Coquitlam. The program empowers secondary students to cultivate and steward schoolyard farms for learning, community building and growing Good Food for All.

Through their time with SOYL, youth develop skills in growing, cooking, and selling food, as well as a greater connection to themselves, their community, and the regional food system. Youth also receive a stipend and can receive school credit for their contributions. Apply now: <https://freshroots.ca/get-involved/soyl/>

YOUTH ADVENTURES IN LEADERSHIP 2021 (YAIL)

YAIL is a youth leadership program **for students ages 15-17** run by District 5050 of Rotary International. It's designed to provide an authentic youth learning environment designed to inspire young leaders to develop a mindset for adaptation and growth. This year, due to Covid-19, instead of the usual weekend-camp format the event is online, and students do not need Rotary Club sponsorship. Sessions are free of charge, and take place

Thursdays, **April 15 to May 13**, 7-8.30 pm. To learn more about this opportunity, go to the Rotary District

Website: <https://district5050.org/sitepage/yail/about-yail>

DISCOVER UVIC

Grade 11 students researching their options for next year are invited to join this online information session:

Wednesday, April 21, 2021 at 4 pm. Pre-Registrations is required.

<https://www.uvic.ca/undergraduate/tours-events/events/#ipn-discover-uvic>.

IODE ARTS SCHOLARSHIPS/JUNIOR AND SENIOR AWARDS

The Provincial Chapter of British Columbia IODE has developed the IODE British Columbia Arts Awards to further the education of students in the arts in their local communities. The two awards are open to students in all regions of the Province of British Columbia.

Criteria: Essay component, Academic standing, Proficiency in area of specialty.

Junior Arts Award of \$500 for **students aged 13-16 years** (\$500)

Senior Arts Award of \$800 for **students aged 17-18 years** (\$800)

For details, please visit the [Career Centre website](#). **Deadline is: May 3, 2021**

HAVE YOU REGISTERED YOUR CAR YET?

Grade 11's & 12's, if you are an 'N' driver and plan on parking a car at school this year, you must register the vehicle with the office. Please come by the office for a registration form.



GRADE 12'S

COMMENCEMENT MESSAGE

Grade 12's, a link is available on the homepage of our school's website to add your commencement message for this year's Graduation ceremony. Link will be available **until Friday, May 7, 2021.**

ATTENTION GRADE 12 PARENT/GUARDIANS

Please clear up all outstanding items from the past 4 years. This may include lost library/textbooks, and/or any outstanding school fees. Visit our school website, Quick Links, Student Fees. **Please clear up by April 30, 2021.**

HAVE YOU RECEIVED A SCHOLARSHIP, BURSARY OR AWARD?

Please let us know asap! We want to acknowledge you in the commencement program. We've created an online form and it only takes 30 seconds to submit. If you've received multiple scholarships/ awards, please submit the form for each one individually. The link is also available on the homepage of our school's website.

[Share Scholarship News Form](#)

CHARLENE REAVELEY BURSARY

This \$1,000 bursary is meant to provide financial recognition to students who exemplify Charlene's involvement in the community and/or volunteer work which encourages the youth of today to be the leaders of tomorrow. Eligible graduating students have endured loss of a parent and/ or a sibling and it shapes who they are. Applicants are required to complete a min. 500-word essay.

Deadline is April 15th, 2021.

For more details: <http://www.crccs.ca/bursary-program/>

KPU MAJOR ENTRANCE AWARD APPLICATIONS

President's Scholarship (\$20,000). Merit Scholarship (\$5,000). Indigenous Entrance Scholarship (\$5,000), and multiple donor-funded entrance awards ranging from \$1,000 to \$3,000. **Deadline: April 15th, 2021.**

[KPU website](#)

BC TECH SCHOLARSHIP 2021

Up to 3 scholarships of \$2,500 each are available for students with a passion for technology who have been accepted into a publicly funded BC-based post-secondary institution in a technology-related program. **Deadline: April 15, 2021.** For details see <https://wearebctech.com/2021-bc-tech-scholarship/>

KWANTLEN POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY (KPU):

Application deadlines have been extended to the summer (or until filled) for many programs, i.e. Education Assistant, Health Care Assistant, Legal Administrative Studies, Engineering Certificate (transfer possibilities into 2nd year programs at SFU/ UBC), Foundations in Design Certificate, Product Design (Bachelor of Design).

Visit the [KPU website](#) for more information.

RCMP CAREER INFO. PRESENTATION

Interested in a career as a police officer, community constable or telecommunications operator? Learn more about the recruiting process including the requirements and expectations and how to prepare for each stage. **Thursday, April 15, 2021**, at 2:00 pm; **Tuesday, April 20, 2021**, at 10:00 am; or **Wednesday, April 28, 2021**, at 2:00 pm.

Please visit [Best Career Centre website](#) for details how to register.

LEGAL ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT INFORMATION SESSION (KPU)

Tuesday, Apr 20, 2021 - 4:00 PM

Register here: <https://www.kpu.ca/info-sessions/business/legal-admin/apr-20>

COQUITLAM OPTIMIST CLUB – ROBERT SIMMS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This \$500 scholarship for a Tri-Cities student, named in memory of a long-time teacher and counselor in SD43, is awarded primarily based on the student's service to their communities. Students must demonstrate financial need. Grade 12 students can find the application form on Teams (Best Internal Scholarships) or on the [Career Centre website](#).

Please submit your application plus your transcript to Mrs Kaufmann, skaufmann@sd43.bc.ca, **before April 22nd, 2021.**

HEAVY DUTY TRUCK TECHNOLOGY – ONLINE SESSION (BCIT)

APRIL 22 FROM 5:30 PM TO 7:00 PM. Register here:

<https://www.bcit.ca/event/heavy-duty-truck-technology-information-session-online-2/>

ENGINEERING CERTIFICATE INFORMATION SESSION (KPU)

Tuesday, Apr 27, 2021 - 4:30 PM.

Register here: <https://www.kpu.ca/info-sessions/science/engineering/apr-27>



GRADE 12'S

DOUGLAS COLLEGE: ACADEMIC FOUNDATIONS FOR NURSING APPLICANTS

This University-transfer program (30 credits) prepares students for entrance to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program. Students accepted to this limited enrolment program receive priority registration for the courses that are required for entrance to BSN program at Douglas. To learn more, join the info session on **Tue, April 27, 2021** at 5 pm. <https://www.douglascollege.ca/program/ctafpn>

CUPE 561 BURSARIES

Multiple bursaries are available for children of CUPE 561 members in good standing: General Bursary or bursaries for students entering an apprenticeship training or trades school. Grade 12 students can find the application forms on Teams (Best Internal Scholarships) but must apply to CUPE 561 directly.

Deadline is May 1, 2021

CONSIDERING U.S. COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES?

Learn more about the U.S. College Admissions Process! Join Prepskills with Host Sam Demma and U.S. College Experts at Virtual US College Expo on **Saturday, May 1st** from 1:00pm – 5:00pm ET. Meet with U.S. Colleges, Admissions & Financing Experts, Student Ambassadors, Student Athletes, NCAA, The Common App and more!

For more information and to register please go to their website: <https://uscollegeexpo.com/2021/>

CIBC FUTURE HEROS BURSARY

In recognition of the legacy of healthcare workers during the COVID-19 pandemic, CIBC has invested \$500,000 over two academic years in the education of tomorrow's **healthcare** professionals. (125) entrance bursaries will be available to students entering into their first year at an eligible institution, in an eligible program. Each scholarship will be valued at \$2,500 CAD. **Deadline: May 12, 2021.** For application details and to see the list of eligible institutions and programs please follow this link:

https://assets.studentlifeforum.com/cibc/2021_CIBC_Future_Heroes_Bursary_Guidelines.pdf

PATH TO MEDICINE: UBC MD OUTREACH INFO SESSION

Find out what it's like to pursue an education in medicine directly from a current UBC Med School student. Get an idea of what this journey involves and join the virtual SD43 MD Outreach Information Session on **Wednesday May 12, 2021 7 pm.** For more information, please check [Best's Career Centre website](#).

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://ubc.zoom.us/j/66047391930?pwd=N1N6ZHNmbUxUaXRtWm1EWmR1bzF1UT09>

MeetingID: 660 47391930 Passcode: 123456

2021 GRACE FAMILY NETWORK FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

How has living through a pandemic changed your view of the world? Submit your essay to apply for one of three scholarships of \$500 each available to Metro Vancouver area students graduating in 2021. Priority will be given to students in financial need. For more information and to download the application form go to:

<http://www.gfnf.org/#scholarship>. **Deadline: May 31, 2021.**

CTA - BARBARA VENGSHOEL SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDENTS INTERESTED IN TRADES OR FINE & PERFORMING ARTS

This scholarship will be awarded to one SD43 student pursuing a career in Trades AND to one SD43 student pursuing a career in Fine & Performing Arts (\$500 each). Criteria: Satisfactory achievement in the areas of Trades or Fine & Performing Arts (based on courses taken in a graduation program); one page essay outlining why you want to pursue a career in Trades or Fine Arts. Financial need will be considered.

Deadline is June 1st, 2021. Apply directly to the CTA Office. Please visit the [Career Centre website](#) to download the application form.

FUTURE ACES SCHOLARSHIPS & CITIZEN AWARD

Open to graduating high school students across Canada. This non-renewable scholarship is valued at \$1000 and tenable at any post-secondary institution. Successful applicants will have demonstrated their contribution to society by having exhibited good citizenship through extensive volunteerism, community service or character-building initiatives and by participating in humanitarian causes (minimum 150 hours). For more details and how to apply go to <http://futureaces.org/initiatives/scholarship-program/>

SPORTS

CLUBS

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

*******BE BEAR AWARE*******

This is the time of year bears can be seen near or on our school grounds. Do NOT approach one if you see one and report the sighting to an Administrator or staff member.

*******CROSSING COMO LAKE*******

All students: Please remember to use the crosswalks and obey all traffic lights when crossing Como Lake Avenue.

*******STUDENT PARKING*******

Please do not park near the fenced off area in the upper parking lot. This is a designated area for our construction crew working on the school addition. If you do park there, you run the risk of your car being damaged.

*******SCENT FREE SCHOOL*******

All schools and buildings within *SD43* are “**scent free**” places of work and learning. Numerous students and staff have serious medical complications with various natural and chemical scents/fragrances.

As such, please make every effort to avoid using or wearing scented products within this space in order to establish an environment that is as “scent safe” as possible.

******ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS***NO LOITERING IN BUS SHELTER******

Students are reminded that the bus shelters are for people who are actually waiting to get on a bus. Please do not use them as social gathering places.

*******STUDENT DROP OFFS*******

Please be aware that when dropping students off in the morning, vehicles are **not permitted** to stop at the west entrance roundabout. Stopping in the roundabout causes dangerous traffic problems on Como Lake Ave and impedes traffic.

*****SLOW DOWN AND USE CAUTION IN THE DRIVEWAY/DROP OFF AREA IN FRONT OF THE SCHOOL*****

Students are reminded to slow down and use the designated crosswalk area when crossing through the school driveway area. Be very vigilant as drivers are often distracted as they are moving in and out of waiting spots. Also, our student drivers are reminded that the expectation is “dead slow” in our school driveways and parking lots.

******VAPING IS NOT PERMITTED IN THE SCHOOL OR ON SCHOOL GROUNDS******

Vaporizers and/or e-cigarettes cannot be possessed at school under any circumstances. There have been recent incidents in our school/district that have resulted in these devices unintentionally exploding which can result in serious injury for the user and those around them. For the safety of all of our students and staff, it is important that these devices are not on school property. Students are not permitted to have these devices in their lockers, backpacks, or on their person at any time while on school property. If a student is found in possession of a vaporizer or e-cigarette, it will be confiscated. Parents will be contacted and required to meet with the administration and their son/daughter. Reoccurring incidents will result in disciplinary action.