



THE “BEST” INFORMER



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2021

TODAY IS DAY 2

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

**NO SCHOOL!
FRIDAY**

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISTRICT PRO-D DAY

School is NOT in session on **Friday, September 24**. Students do not attend this day.

LOST ITEM-PLEASE SEE MS. BJORNSON

Did anyone lose a Lakers #24 shirt key chain with bike lock??

If you did, see Heather the Youth Worker in her room on the bottom floor.

TERRY FOX RUN DONATIONS

Get your loonies and toonies ready!

Athletic Leadership students will be out front collecting donations for the Terry Fox Run before Block 1.

NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

School is NOT in session on **Thursday, September 30**. Students do not attend this day.

Classes resume Friday, October 1.

STUDENT PARKING PASS

ALL students parking a car at Charles Best are required to display a parking pass.

Please come to the office to request a Student Vehicle Registration form.

SCHOOL CASH ONLINE ACCOUNTS

ALL GRADES

Students, please get your parents to check your school cash on-line account.

This years “School Policy Form” must be completed asap. Also please pay any outstanding fees from previous years, return lost textbooks to the office, return library books to the library and keep all accounts up to date.

GRADE 12’S

Students, please get have your parents to ensure all fees/accounts are clear **by Nov 30** so you can purchase grad related items when they become available.

YEARBOOKS

Yearbooks are over half sold-don’t miss out! Purchase it now for delivery in June 2022.

Parents can log in to your School Cash Online account for more details.

CAREER CENTRE NEWS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS

PHARMACY VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Medical Shoppe Pharmacy in PoCo is looking for Grade 11 & 12 students interested in pursuing pharmacology in post-sec to help with directing patients when they come for flu shots, answering the phone, filing prescriptions, helping to keep the pharmacy tidy, checking for expiration on products and counting medications. More info on Career Centre team.

VOLUNTEER FAIR AT THE COQUITLAM LIBRARY

Are you looking for a volunteer opportunity in the Tri-Cities? Join the Community Volunteer Connections, in partnership with The Coquitlam Public Library for a Volunteer Job Fair. Meet with volunteer coordinators and the non-profit organizations they represent. **Sat, October 2, 11 am – 4 pm**. No registration required, hosted at City Centre branch in Rooms 136 & 137.

SUSTAINABILITY FOR OUR FUTURE (Gr. 12 GIRLS) BY GEERING UP

Learn how modern day engineers are incorporating sustainability principles into the world of engineering to work towards creating a sustainable future. Through discussions, research, and the use of the engineering design cycle this event will bring us together so we can ideate new solutions that have the potential to directly impact future generations. **October 16, 10 am – 3 pm**, UBC campus. Free. An online version of this workshop will be running Oct. 21, 4:30-6:30PM (Gr. 11 & 12 girls*). Register to attend.

<https://geeringup.apsc.ubc.ca/programming/general-information/events/all-girls/>

(*Trans*, genderqueer and non-binary folks are welcome.)

POST SECONDARY EVENTS

ALL ABOUT UBC WEBINAR

Hear about degree options and student life at both UBC's Vancouver and Okanagan campuses. During the hour-long presentation, advisors will walk you through the application and admission process.

Sat., Sept. 25th, 9 am. [Register here](#)

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

- **Webinar for prospective students:** Get information about application and admissions process for high school students and have a chance to ask any questions you may have. **Mon., Sept. 27th** at 5 pm.

[Register here](#)

- **Application Workshop:** Get all the details about the U of T application process for students who are outside of Ontario. **Tue., Sept. 28th at 5 pm.** [Register here](#)

WESTERN IVEY BUSINESS SCHOOL INFO SESSION

Review the Ivey HBA Program and AEO (Advanced Entry Opportunity) admissions process for High School Students. **September 28th**, 4 pm. [Register early.](#)

HOW TO SFU (ALL ABOUT ADMISSION)

In this session, participants will learn about the application process, as well the ins and outs of faculties, programs, majors, minors, and more! There will be a Q&A period within the sessions for you to ask your questions to our SFU experts. **Tuesday, 28 Sep 2021**, 5-6 pm. [Register here](#)

SFU BEEDIE HIGH SCHOOL WEBINAR

Learn more about the Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) program at Canada's #1 comprehensive university. Understand admission requirements, ask questions, and find out if SFU Beedie is the right fit for you. **Wed., Sept. 29th**, 4 pm. [Register to attend](#)

CLIMATE ACTION AT SFU

Policy. Global Warming. Sustainability. Ecology. Social Movement. Activism. If any of these words get your interest, explore programming options at SFU, hear stories about fellow students and alumni, and learn how you can also become an advocate for environmental change. **Wednesday, 29 Sep 2021**, 5-6 pm. [Register here](#)

KPU VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE

Kwantlen Polytechnic University is home to many programs and courses. During the Open House you can watch a feature video - it's full of hands-on demos, engaging interviews, and tips for getting the most out of your time as a student at KPU. Take a virtual tour of all 5 campuses from the comfort of home.

Explore classrooms, labs, workshops, and study spaces. Hop into a live Q&A with the Future Students' Office or KPU International if you have questions about KPU or you're ready to apply! **Sat., Oct. 2nd, 12-2 pm.**

[Register to attend](#)

DOUGLAS COLLEGE: ACADEMIC FOUNDATIONS FOR POTENTIAL NURSING APPLICANTS

Attention everyone who's hoping to get into the Pre-Nursing Program at Douglas. Applications for Fall 2022 will be open **from Mon., Oct. 4th 9 am to Wed., Oct. 6th 4 pm.** This set of 10 university-transfer courses (30 credits) prepares students for entrance to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program. Students seeking entry to the BSN program, must first be admitted to this program and complete all required courses with a minimum grade of C+ in each. Students accepted to this limited enrolment program receive priority registration for the courses that are required for entrance to the BSN program. [Learn more](#)

BCIT BIG INFO: AT-HOME EDITION

Big Info is the largest program expo and information session at BCIT. It's your chance to find out about all our programs – from business, computing, and health to engineering, trades, and applied sciences. Join online **Oct 4-7 from 4-8pm.** Each night will feature a different lineup that will cover specific areas of study and key student services. You'll still be able to hear from faculty and staff and get all your questions answered without leaving your couch. Learn more about what it's like to study at BCIT and find a program that's right for you. [See schedule of events and register here.](#)

WATERLOO PRESENTATION FOR SD43 STUDENTS

Learn more about Waterloo's programs and admission process. **Thu., Oct. 7th** at 6 pm. [Join here](#)

POST SECONDARY EVENTS

UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA-APPLICATION WORKSHOP

Learn how to submit an application for admission. Join a short presentation followed by a Q&A session with one of the UAlberta Advisors. **Mon, Sept 27 or Wed, Sept 29, 4-5 pm.** Register to attend: <https://www.ualberta.ca/admissions/undergraduate/tours-and-events/index.html?>

CANADIAN UNIVERSITY EVENT (CUE) SERIES

Mark your calendar for this year's virtual fair times feat. university representatives from across the country. Ask your questions, gather information, and get connected. **September 27, 28, 29 (Mon-Wed) 4 pm - 7 pm, October 2 (Sat) 10 am - 1 pm, October 4, 5, 6 (Mon-Wed) 4 pm - 7 pm.** Registration will open on September 16th. <https://cuebc.org/events/>

POST SECONDARY BC VIRTUAL FAIR

POST-SECONDARY BC FOR STUDENTS FOR PARENTS FOR COUNSELLORS Institution Directory Education Explorer News

www.postsecondarybc.ca STUDENT REGISTRATIONS OPEN SEPT 24th @ 9:00am

Find your post-secondary future at the 2021 PSBC Virtual Fair!

- Watch live presentations from 29 post-secondary schools across BC
- Connect with institutional representatives through text and video chat
- Download program information and watch additional video content
- Sign up easily for more information from any institution
- Door Prizes: Every student who visits the fair will be automatically entered into a draw for one of twenty-five \$100 Amazon gift cards.
- Survey Prizes: Fill out our Guest Survey after the event, and you'll be entered into a separate draw for another \$100 Amazon Gift Card.

7 DAYS TO CHOOSE FROM: October 7 & 19 / November 3, 9 & 18 / December 1 & 7
VIRTUAL FAIR OPEN FROM 9:00 am to 7:00 pm on these dates

DISCOVER UVIC

Thinking about applying at the University of Victoria? Learn more at one of the upcoming info sessions. Please register to attend. **September 29, 4:00PM.**

<https://www.uvic.ca/undergraduate/tours-events/events/index.php>

UBC FACULTY OF LAND & FOOD SYSTEMS WORKSHOP SERIES

Explore degree programs, meet LFS students and learn more about what makes this Faculty so special by participating in one of 9 interactive workshops scheduled for this fall. Focus will be on 3 themes that highlight key concepts covered in LFS programs: Global Impact of Food Systems, Animals in Society, and Land, Food, Sustainability and You. All events will take place Wednesday at 6 pm **starting Sept. 29th** on zoom. Register to attend: <https://www.landfood.ubc.ca/prospective/lfs-events/>

GRADE 12'S

SCHOLARSHIP MEETING FOR ALL GRADE 12 STUDENTS

Mark your calendar! Our first scholarship meeting will take place, **Wednesday, Sept. 29th**, 3.30-4.30 pm. Learn more about financial aid opportunities for your post-secondary journey.

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SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

TD COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIPS

20 TD Scholarships for Community Leadership are available to graduating students who have demonstrated leadership in improving their community. Each scholarship has a value of up to \$70,000. Criteria: Grade average 75%+, demonstrated consistent and outstanding dedication to solving a community problem or making their community a better place. **Apply by Mon., Nov 15th** before 9 pm. [More info](#)

NATIONAL BOOK AWARD 2022

Every school across Canada is invited to nominate ONE student. Criteria are outstanding academic performance, original and creative thought, strong community involvement, and exceptional achievement in a broad context. Students nominated for this award are also encouraged to apply to the [U of T National Scholarship Program](#). Find more details and expression of interest form on the Career Centre team or contact Mrs. Kaufmann. Forms are due back **Monday, October 4th, 9 am.**

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

LORAN SCHOLARSHIPS

Applications are open for the 2022 Loran Award! This four-year undergraduate merit award includes study at one of 25 Canadian universities, funding for summer work experiences, mentorship, and more. Up to 34 awards of up to \$100,000 each are available for graduating students who demonstrate character, service, and leadership potential. Criteria: Min. average of 85%, Canadian citizen or PR only. **Deadline is October 13th, 5pm.**

Extended details and tips on how to apply can be found on the Career Centre TEAM (code gvrymg1)

<https://loranscholar.ca/becoming-a-scholar/>

U of T NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Students who excel in academic pursuits, demonstrate enthusiasm for intellectual exploration and have a strong involvement in the lives of their schools and communities can apply. 25 scholarships available, amounts vary. **Deadline is October 21st, 9 pm.** <https://future.utoronto.ca/national-scholarship/about/>

LESTER B. PEARSON INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

International Students who demonstrate exceptional academic achievement and creativity, leadership and community service – talk to your counsellor about being nominated for this all-expenses-covered scholarship to U of T. Submit your brag sheet for nomination **by November 1.** More info:

<https://future.utoronto.ca/pearson/about/>

SPORTS

CROSS COUNTRY TEAM PRACTICE

Reminder to all cross country members of our practice today.
Please meet at the front doors of the school by the covered area at 3:25 pm.

SWIMMERS

Those interested in being on the Charles Best Swim Team, please come to a meeting in room #301 after school this **Thursday, September 23rd.** Try to make it there by 3:25 so we can let you know about what we know and don't know about the swim season this year and get your best times for your strokes from you. See you there!

CLUBS

JOIN THE CHARLES BEST BOOK CLUB!

Love reading? Want to connect with other students who do too? Click the link below and join the CBSS book club! Books are voted by students and are read for enjoyment. New members are always welcome.

If you have questions, please come see Ms. Dos Santos or Ms. Henriksen in 310.

Link: <https://tinyurl.com/23t5neh8>

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.

*******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 crosswalks 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.

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.