



THE "BEST" INFORMER



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2021

TODAY IS DAY **1**



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

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ASSEMBLY SCHEDULE ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8

Period	Start	Finish
1	8:15 am 📍	9:20 am 📍
2	9:25 am 📍	10:30 am 📍
Assembly	10:35 am 📍	11:45 am 📍
3	11:50 am 📍	12:55 pm 📍
4	1:00 pm 📍	2:05 pm 📍
5	2:10 pm 📍	3:15 pm 📍

OCTOBER 11-SCHOOL NOT IN SESSION

School is not in session on Monday, October 11 due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

GRADE 12 GRADUATION PHOTO INFORMATION

Information about Grade 12 graduation photos from Lifetouch/Prestige Portraits was emailed to Grade 12 students and their parents on Wednesday, October 7.

Please refer to the email attachment for procedures on booking as well as dates available.

Contact Lifetouch/Prestige with all inquiries.

CAFETERIA HOURS *NEW*

Monday – Friday 8:00-10:00, 11:05 – 1:30

PHOTO RETAKE DAY

Individual photo retakes will be on **Monday, October 25**. This is also for any student/staff member who has not had their picture taken yet. Students require a photo whether ordering pictures or not for their student ID card as well as the yearbook.

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.

CLUBS

WEIGHT ROOM CLUB

Any students wishing to join the after school weight room club, please get your form from Mr. Adams in the PE Office.

SPORTS

FIELD LACROSSE

Anyone wanting to play Field Lacrosse this year, please see Mr. Jovanovic in Portable 1 to sign up. He is available M-F 7:30-3:30 pm.

JR. BOYS BASKETBALL (GR. 9-10)

Open gym: October 12 5-6:30 pm, October 15 5-6:30 pm

Tryouts: October 20 5-6:30 pm, October 22 2-4pm pm

Contact Daniel Depelteau if any questions: danield@excelbasketball.com

SPORTS

SENIOR BOYS BASKETBALL (GR. 11-12)

Open Gym: October 13 5-6:30 pm, October 15 3:30-5 pm

Tryouts: October 18 8-10 pm, October 22 12-2 pm

Contact Daniel Depelteau if any questions: danield@excelbasketball.com

SENIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL TRYOUTS

October 12th and 13th at 8-10pm each night. Tryouts are open to all grades. Bring gym appropriate shoes, a great attitude and a wonderful effort.

If you are currently playing another sport and are interested in playing on the senior girls basketball team please send an email to Mr. Percevault at cpercevault@sd43.bc.ca explaining why you are unable to make the tryouts and what your experience is in basketball.

CAREER CENTRE NEWS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS

PLACE DES ARTS IS LOOKING FOR YOUTH ARTS COUNCIL MEMBERS

Application Form can be found on the Career Centre TEAM (Join with code gvrymg1).

LANGUAGE CHALLENGE EXAMS

Have you acquired a language outside of school? All students are entitled to request an opportunity to challenge courses for credit. Must be able to give strong and compelling evidence of language proficiency.

Deadline to apply: Nov 5, 2021. Exams are Jan 29th & 30th, Delta School District. Available languages: French, Japanese, Korean, Mandarin, Punjabi and Spanish 11/12. Talk to your counsellor if you are unsure if the Challenge Exam is right for you. [Application Package and more info here.](#)

TECHNOLOGY TODAY WORKSHOP FOR GRADE 9 GIRLS**

Explore the exciting worlds of Modern Technology and Quantum Computing and learn how they are helping to solve the world's biggest problems. Run by UBC's Geering Up. **November 6, 10 am – 3 pm.**

Free, register now. Trans*, genderqueer and non-binary folks are welcome.

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

DISCOVER DAYS IN HEALTH SCIENCE

This year's modified virtual half day program comprises exhibits, a keynote lecture, an interactive workshop, and a career panel discussion. Participants will have the opportunity to select their own workshop but space is limited. **Tuesday, November 16, 8.30 am -12.15 pm** [Schedule of events](#)

Please contact Mrs. Kaufmann at the Career Centre [by Mon, Oct 25th](#) if you want to attend as schools are asked to identify Grade 10 - 12 students interested in science to attend the event.

POST SECONDARY EVENTS

UBC SAUDER SCHOOL OF BUSINESS – SD43 PRESENTATION

Grade 11 & 12 students, if you are thinking about pursuing a Bachelor of Commerce at UBC this one is for you:

Tuesday, October 12 at 6 pm.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84091603606pwd=VXFfEVUxMNIFFrdHhWWDVTTHkxOFh1QT09>.

Meeting ID: 840 9160 3606. Passcode: 231787

ELLA @ DOUGLAS COLLEGE: ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNING & ACQUISITION

Are you about to graduate but still need to upgrade your English skills? There are college opportunities you! This academic transition program serves students whose native language is not English and who do not yet meet the college language entry requirements. ELLA is a bridge for students to come to college to upgrade their language and study skills in a college academic environment facilitating that transition in completing degree or diploma programs. Info Session on **Tuesday, October 12 at 5 pm.** [Register here.](#)

BCIT COMPUTER INFORMATION SYSTEMS INFO. SESSION

Learn more about the Computer Information Systems Administration Diploma program, as well as part-time studies options like Network Administrative Technician and CISCO Certified Network Associate programs.

Tuesday, October 12, 5:30pm.

Register here: <https://www.bcit.ca/event/computer-information-systems-administration-online-information-session/>

BCIT AEROSPACE INFO. SESSION

Learn more about the following programs: Aircraft Maintenance Engineer Category 'M', Aircraft Gas Turbine Technician & Aircraft Maintenance Engineer Category 'E' (Electronics). **Wed October 13, 2021** from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. Register here: <https://www.bcit.ca/event/aircraft-maintenance-engineer-category-m-aircraft-gas-turbine-technician-aircraft-maintenance-engineer-category-e-electronics-information-session-online-9/#rsvp-now>

POST SECONDARY EVENTS

POST SECONDARY EVENTS FOR INDIGENOUS STUDENTS

- All About UBC: **Oct 15 at 2 pm**
- UBC Application Workshops: **Oct 21 at 4 pm**
- UBC Financial Aid Session: **Oct 28 at 1 pm**
- SFU Info Session: **Oct 12 at 5 pm**

More info and registration links on Career Centre Team > Indigenous Information (Join with code gvrymg1).

DOUGLAS COLLEGE INFORMATION NIGHTS

Douglas College info sessions provide important details such as admissions requirements, co-op opportunities, career pathways, university transfer options, curriculum guidelines, and more. Plus, each program-specific information session is lead by a faculty member from that program, so you get to interact and converse with your future instructor(s). Please see our information session page to find out which programs will be present on each date. **Tue, October 12 & Thu, October 14, 5-6 pm.** Please register early.

<https://www.douglascollege.ca/future-students/explore-douglas/information-sessions>

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO SD43 PRESENTATIONS

Wednesday, October 13, 2021 at 06:00 PM

<https://apply.adm.utoronto.ca/register/1sd43>,

Monday, October 18, 2021 at 06:00 PM

<https://apply.adm.utoronto.ca/register/2sd43> Please register to attend.

SFU FACULTY OF APPLIED SCIENCE INFO. SESSIONS

- Computing Science and Software Systems: **October 13th, 4.30 pm.** November 10th, 4.30 pm. December 8th, 4.30 pm
- Learn about Applied Sciences: **October 20th, 4.30 pm.** November 3rd, 8 am. November 17th at 4.30 pm
 - Engineering Sciences, Mechatronics Systems Engineering, Sustainable Energy Engineering: **October 27th, 4.30 pm.** November 24th, 4.30 pm

Register to attend. <https://www.sfu.ca/fas/prospective-Students/events.html>

SFU EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES PROGRAMS

Leading edge. Tech. Science. Artificial Intelligence. Innovation. Advancement. If these words excite you or make you question the ways in which you can advance the world, you will want to join this session. Explore how SFU can help provide you with a solid foundation for advancing today's society through a tech focused lens. Learn more about how programs and opportunities can lend themselves to your own personal exploration of both science and technology. **Thursday, 14 Oct 2021, 5-6 pm.** [Please register.](#)

UVIC GUSTAVSON SCHOOL OF BUSINESS – SD43 PRESENTATION

If you are considering pursuing a Bachelor of Commerce at the University of Victoria, join us on

Thursday, October 14th at 6 pm. Please register to attend.

<https://uvic.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEQuippj0rGNSo9-WA8GgwHfZQ5YtR1Izt>

BISHOPS UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Virtual Open House on **Saturday, October 16th, 2021.** Receive the most up-to-date information on specific programs, student life, admissions and much more at Bishop's, an English university in Quebec. [Register here.](#)

We also have an information session specifically for SD43 students scheduled for

Thursday, October 28, at 6 pm. [Register here.](#)

UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, October 18 from 9 am to 4 pm. Plan your virtual experience and check out the Virtual Open House event schedule. Registration required:

<https://www.ualberta.ca/admissions/undergraduate/tours-and-events/open-house/index.html?>

BCIT ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING INFO. SESSION

Visit the BCIT campus and learn more about the Electrical Engineering degree program, Electrical and Computer Engineering diploma program with the three options: Automation & Instrumentation, Electrical Power & Industrial Control, and Telecommunications & Networks as well as the Bachelor of Technology in Electronics. Date: **October 18, Time: 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm.** Register to attend:

<https://www.bcit.ca/event/electrical-engineering-information-session-in-person-and-or-online/>

SFU INFORMATION SESSION FOR SD43 STUDENTS

Join fellow Coquitlam School District students in one of the three info sessions SFU is kindly offering for us.

Parents & Guardians are welcome too. **Friday, October 22nd, 3-4 pm** (Pro-D Day). [Join on zoom.](#)

Passcode: 208518. Additional sessions scheduled for Nov 10 & 23.

SFU STEM SPEAKER SERIES: SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

If you are in **Grade 9-12** and are wondering what the STEM field has to offer for you after high school, check out this Speaker Series with monthly events and varying topics. Next event: **Sat, Oct 23, 2021, 1-2 pm.**

Free, but registration required. <http://websurvey.sfu.ca/survey/409457009>

POST SECONDARY EVENTS

RCMP CAREER PRESENTATION

Join the BC Recruiting team for a career presentation with guest speakers from an elite team of highly specialized police officers. Potential applicants can come and speak to members of Emergency Response Team to learn about their role and experiences. **October 27th, 6 pm**, Surrey RCMP Headquarters.

More info here: <https://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/even/en/e/6937>

SFU APPLIED SCIENCES: PYTHON FOR DATA SCIENCE PROGRAM

Series of four virtual workshops for **Grade 9-12 students**. Students will learn how to explore, manipulate, visualize, and analyze a publicly available dataset using Python. Some programming experience is required. Saturdays between **Oct 30-Nov 20, 1-2.30 pm**. Free! More info on Career Centre team or website. Register

here: <http://websurvey.sfu.ca/survey/409880576>

DISCOVER TRINITY WESTERN UNIVERSITY

Get an overview of what TWU has to offer and connect with current TWU students and admissions staff.

Discover TWU runs monthly from October through June.

REGISTER: [November 15](#) (4.30 pm) | [December 9](#) (4.30 pm)

GRADE 12'S

1ST CLC ASSIGNMENT DUE!!

Grade 12's, this is a reminder to check your TEAMS for assignments and information.

Your first assignments are **due OCTOBER 13th**.

Any questions, please see your CLC teacher or any CLC team leader.

SCHOOL CASH ONLINE ACCOUNTS

GRADE 12'S

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

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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/>

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](#)

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.