



THE “BEST” INFORMER



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2021

TODAY IS DAY **1**



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

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

PAC MEETING MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15

The next Charles Best PAC meeting is this Monday evening at 7:30pm via Zoom. Please check the newsletter from Wednesday, November 10th for the Zoom link. All parents are welcome to attend!

50/50 RAFFLE

Help support fundraising for the GRAD 2022 after grad and potentially win an amazing cash prize! Open to adults over the age of 19. **Sales deadline:** November 25, 12pm. **Draw Date:** November 25, 4pm. Buy your tickets here: <https://bestgrad2022.rafflenexus.com/>

BEST BAVARDAGE!

French Immersion Virtual Newspaper. Please click below to view the latest edition!

<https://mycharlesbest.sd43.bc.ca/francais12/>

Grade 12's point of view on the school and the world.

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.

GRADE 12'S that means you too 😊

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GRADE 12 GRAD SPIRIT WEAR

Grade spirit wear is available to order **until Friday, November 19**. Please use the following link to order:

<https://dcbgrad2022.itemorder.com/sale>

GRADE 12 BABY PICTURES

Grads, please click on the link below to upload one favourite baby picture to be included in the yearbook and slide show. You must log in with your district email and password. This is not a link for your parents.

Deadline to submit is November 30th.

<https://forms.office.com/r/fd9xBaN25P>

SPORTS

GRADE 9 GIRLS VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to our Grade 9 girls volleyball team for winning Districts! Well played everyone!

CLUBS

CAREER CENTRE NEWS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS

YWCA HIGH SCHOOL MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

YWCA High School Mentorship matches self-identifying girls, non-binary, and gender-diverse students in Grades 11 and 12 (mentees) with volunteer professionals (mentors) for a one-to-one mentoring relationship from December to June. Mentees and mentors meet once a month and attend workshops to explore career options, make education and training plans, improve their leadership skills, and more! **Apply by November 12.** More info on Career Centre team or [website](#).

YOUTH TRAIN IN TRADES: BAKING INTAKE JULY 2022

Program will run for 23 weeks from July 11 to December 15, students will attend classes at Vancouver Community College from 11:30 am to 6:30 pm Monday-Thursday. Potential applicants must attend the 2022 information session on **Thursday, January 27 from 6:00 to 7:30 pm** (on zoom), and complete the intake package (portfolio & questionnaire). **Must be currently in Grade 11.** Tuition will be covered by the Ministry. More info on Career Centre team – join using code gvrymg1.

VOLUNTEERS FOR INVASIVE SPECIES REMOVAL

The Lower Mainland Green Team will be removing invasive ivy and blackberry from beautiful Rocky Point Park in Port Moody! Everyone is welcome, no experience necessary. Gloves, tools, instruction, and refreshments provided! **Volunteer letters can be provided upon request. **When? Saturday, November 20, 2021, 9:45 AM to 1:00 PM** [Details and sign-up here](#).

UBC MEDICAL AMBASSADOR OUTREACH PRESENTATION FOR SD43

If you are dreaming of becoming a doctor you should join us on [zoom](#) on **Mon, Nov 29 at 7 pm**. **All grades are welcome!** Believe it or not, it's not too early to start exploring the path to becoming a medical doctor. Learn about what the career entails, how current medical students have achieved this goal, and what students should start doing to get there. The Ambassador Program is an outreach program led by UBC's Faculty of Medicine MD Admissions office. **Meeting ID: 640 5815 6867. Passcode: 567796**

FRENCH NATIONAL ESSAY CONTEST

All Grade 10-12 students are invited to submit an essay on "In a future where everything is possible, how will the food we eat and the way it is produced have changed?". You could win a scholarship valued \$1,000-\$20,000. [Details here](#). **Deadline: December 17, 2021**

POST SECONDARY EVENTS

BCIT SD43 PRESENTATION

Mon, Nov 15 at 5 pm. [Join Zoom Meeting](#). Meeting ID: 634 6993 1227. Password: 176322

QUEEN'S APPLICATION WORKSHOP

If you need help preparing your application after this session, join the Queen's "Everything about your application Workshop" on **Wednesday, November 16**, at 7 pm. [Register here](#).

ST FRANCIS XAVIER UNIVERSITY SD43 PRESENTATION

If you are considering Nova Scotia for post-secondary join us on **Nov 18, 2021 06:00 PM**. [Zoom link](#). Meeting ID: 949 9789 0378. Passcode: stfx

SFU FACULTY OF APPLIED SCIENCE INFO SESSION

Wednesday, November 17, 4:30-5:30pm. [Register here](#)

UBC ENGINEERING OPEN HOUSE

On-campus **Sat, November 20, 2021**. 10 am to 2 pm. [Register here](#)

KPU TRADES INFO. SESSIONS

Carpentry, Electrical, Plumbing: **Mon, November 24** at 5.30 pm. [Register here](#).
Welding/Metal Fabrication: **Mon, November 29** at 4.30 pm. [Register here](#).
Millwright: **Mon, November 29** at 4.30 pm or 5.30 pm. [Register here](#).

EMILY CARR OPEN HOUSE

Interested in applying to Canada's #1 institution for an education in art and design? On campus open house: **Monday, November 29**, 5 pm or 6 pm. Limited space available. Must show proof of full vaccination. [Register here](#).

UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA INFO SESSIONS

SD43 specific presentation: **Thursday, December 2**, 6 pm [Register here](#).

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

TOM FINNIE INDIGENOUS TRADES BURSARY

\$2,500 is available for 1 Metro Vancouver Indigenous Grad who is planning to pursue a trades program. Financial need, life experiences, challenges, and triumphs are taken into consideration. More info on Career Centre [website](#) or team. **Apply by November 30th.**

U OF CALGARY PRESTIGE AWARDS

Multiple renewable awards for first year students with high academic grades available: 9 Chancellor's Scholarships plus a variable number of Engineering scholarships (both for Academic Excellence and for Community Service/ Entrepreneurial Awards), and 3 Business scholarships. Must be Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident. In addition, 18 International Entrance Awards are available!

Deadline is December 1, but you must first apply for admission.

It will take a few days to gain access to the student portal and the scholarship application. [Apply early.](#)

TERRY FOX HUMANITARIAN AWARDS PROGRAM

This award is dedicated to honouring and advancing the humanitarian legacy of Terry Fox. Grade 12 students in good academic standing who are involved in voluntary humanitarian activities are invited to apply. Must be Canadian citizens or permanent residents and must be planning to pursue a degree/ diploma at a Canadian post-secondary institution. Value of the award is up to \$28,000. **Deadline is December 1, 2021.** [Details](#)

SCHULICH LEADER SCHOLARSHIP

This is one of the largest and most prestigious undergraduate Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) scholarships in Canada, with a value of up to \$100,000 each. Criteria are: Academic Excellence AND demonstrated leadership, creativity, and charisma, entrepreneurial mindset.

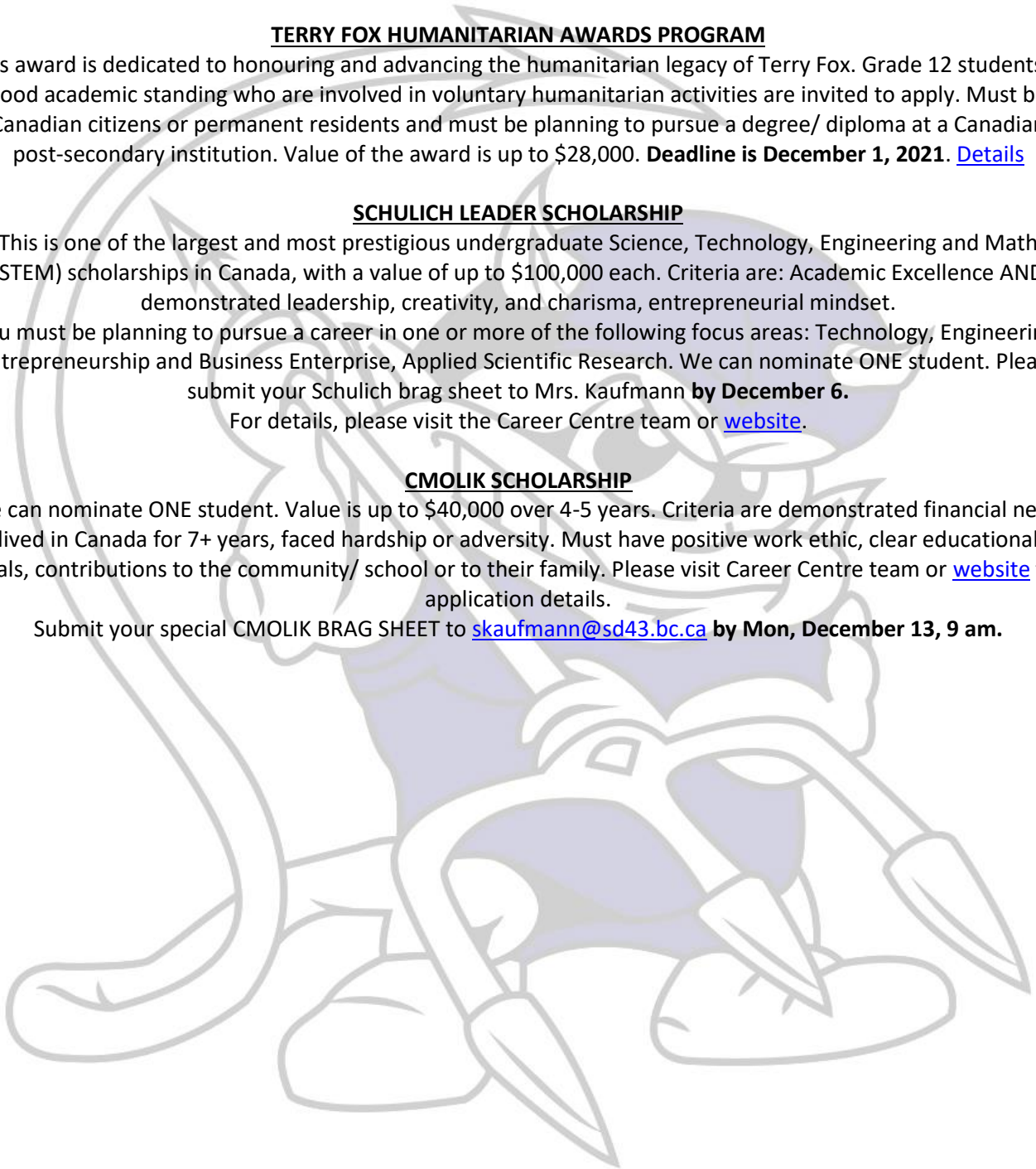
You must be planning to pursue a career in one or more of the following focus areas: Technology, Engineering, Entrepreneurship and Business Enterprise, Applied Scientific Research. We can nominate ONE student. Please submit your Schulich brag sheet to Mrs. Kaufmann **by December 6.**

For details, please visit the Career Centre team or [website](#).

CMOLIK SCHOLARSHIP

We can nominate ONE student. Value is up to \$40,000 over 4-5 years. Criteria are demonstrated financial need, lived in Canada for 7+ years, faced hardship or adversity. Must have positive work ethic, clear educational goals, contributions to the community/ school or to their family. Please visit Career Centre team or [website](#) for application details.

Submit your special CMOLIK BRAG SHEET to skaufmann@sd43.bc.ca **by Mon, December 13, 9 am.**



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.

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.

