

THE "BEST" INFORMER



FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 2024 TODAY IS DAY 1

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



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

DUE TODAY - COURSE SELECTION

Gr11's, your selections are due Friday, March 1st.

Be sure to set up your mandatory 1:1 meeting with your counsellor.

Students who do not complete their own course selection will have their 2024-2025 courses selected for them.

- 1. Log in to MyEd with your pupil number and password (see the office if you need a password reset)

 - Click "My Info" top left corner
 Click "Requests" bottom left tab
 - 4. Scroll to the online form
 - 5. Click "Select" for each relevant section

SEMESTER 1 AWARDS

If you have not claimed your award per your notification in your student email, students will be called to the office. Congratulations to all!

TODAY - LAST CALL FOR IMMUNIZATIONS

Fraser Health will be on site one last time on Friday, March 1st.

The following students will be called down in the morning:

- Any Grade 9 students with a signed consent form who have yet to be immunized
 - Grade 10 students with a signed consent form from last year
 - Students who would like to discuss immunizations with a nurse

PARENT DANCE MARCH 9TH

Hurry! TIME IS RUNNING OUT! Get your tickets for the Las Vegas - Inspired Parent Dinner Dance TODAY! This super fun parent social gathering on Saturday, March 9th in the school gym helps reduce the cost of the dinner dance tickets for all 2025 grads.

It's a chance to come out and support your child's entire class by enjoying great food, music & dancing, and taking part in our 50/50 draw, epic silent auction and so much more!

Plus, it's super fun!!!! (Did we mention that?)

Visit our **EVENT PAGE** for more information and to buy tickets.

But hurry, tickets will **NOT** be available at the door, and we must confirm with the caterers by **March 6th** so don't procrastinate and guarantee your spot at this legendary event!

WINTER WEATHER

Please use caution when driving and walking outside on school grounds. Dress appropriately including proper footwear. Drive slowly in school zones and be aware of pooling water and possible ice on streets and in parking lots.

UPCOMING PAC MEETING

Parents, please join us for the next PAC meeting on Monday, March 4, 2024 at 7pm in the school library. Everyone is welcome-hope to see you there!

RETURN IT RECYCLING FOR AFTERGRAD 2024

Friendly reminder to only put Canadian deposit items in the return it as US and other non-recycling have been dropped off by error. Please ensure there are a maximum of 12 bottles per bag and no broken bottles as well. Thanks very much for your continued support.

STUDENT PARKING

We are experiencing a high demand for parking in the upper parking lot and the demand will only increase as more students pass the 'N' road test before the end of June. Students, you MUST register your car with the office and identify your car with your parking pass so we can differentiate between school demand vs. park demand. Registration forms are available in the front office.

Starting the week of February 26th checks will be occurring to ensure cars are displaying passes. We will issue warnings to start and then may start towing if cars do not have a pass displayed.

Your cooperation with this is much appreciated.

GRADE 12'S

Watch this space for future announcements

SCHOLARSHIP/AWARD/BURSARY INFORMATION

Grade 12 students are encouraged to check out if they are eligible for any scholarships.

The <u>Career Centre > Financial Aid website</u> is currently listing almost 60 different bursaries and scholarships.

Also, don't miss our internal scholarships. Applications are accepted **until April 5th**, 3 pm, and students can apply to as many of the listed awards as they wish. The internal package also includes 40 District Authority Awards reserved for Charles Best grads. More info here. Students with questions can visit the Career Office (in the counsellors' area) or email skaufmann@sd43.bc.ca.

ATHLETICS

SENIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL UPDATE FROM PROVINCIALS

The team lost a heartbreaker yesterday afternoon so playing again this morning.

Sending all the positive vibes we have for a win today!

TODAY - LACROSSE SCHEDULE

Friday Feb 29th

4:30 Best versus Pitt Meadows @Centennial Field

POST SECONDARY EVENTS

DOUGLAS COLLEGE OPEN HOUSE

Are you planning to attend Douglas College this Fall? Or are you in grade 11 and are starting to explore options? Connect with faculty staff during an in-person info session to learn about your potential program of interest. Tue, March 12 at the Coquitlam Campus, and Thu, March 14 at the New West campus.

Starting at 5 pm. Sign up to attend

CAREER CENTRE NEWS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS

CERTIFICATE IN ESSENTIAL SKILLS FOR ARCHITECTURE, CONSTRUCTION & ENGINEERING

The ACE certificate is a 14-months unique work-based entry level educational program designed to introduce high school students and recent high school graduates to the worlds of Architecture, Engineering and Construction. Running July 2024-August 2025. Students will be introduced to skills, concepts and terminologies used in these sectors. ACE is delivered in a blended format, which includes classes held at BCIT's Burnaby campus, virtual learning through BCIT's Learning Hub platform, and fieldtrips to local design firms and construction sites and, finally, in the work environment.

Register for a zoom webinar on March 4, 6.30-7.30 pm. More info.

TRADES SAMPLER FOR SD43 INDIGENOUS STUDENTS

SD43 is hosting a 3-days workshop at Port Moody Secondary, April 10-12. Students will learn basic skills in Carpentry, Welding, and CNC Machining. Other highlights include presentation from ACCESS B.C. connecting with elders, free breakfast and lunch, swag, and more. Register here by March 14.

CAMP IGNITE

Camp Ignite is a three-night, three-day camp (August 8-11) that educates and inspires young women to follow their dreams. The camp is open to girls in grades 11-12 living in British Columbia and offers an introduction to the exciting world of firefighting, along with fitness, nutrition, health and teamwork. Apply here by May 1.