



School District No. 43 (Coquitlam)

Student Services

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"To provide specialized services to increase success and independence for diverse learners"

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Parent(s) / Guardian(s) of:

Dear Parents/Guardians:

School District 43 and Simon Fraser Society for Community Living would like to invite and encourage you to attend an information session **"Stepping Up To Secondary"** This is an opportunity for you to gather important information regarding secondary school, the transition process, and what you can do as a parent to prepare yourself and your child for secondary school.

At this session you will have an opportunity to hear from secondary school administrators from a variety of schools across the district. They will share general information about secondary school, cross catchment process, and support services for student with intellectual or developmental disabilities at the secondary level. You will be given a "Parent Handbook" for you to keep and use as you prepare for this important transition.

We hope to see you at this very important information session.

Secondary School Parent Information Evening

Tuesday, January 28th, 2014

6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

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Starting Secondary School can be both exciting and intimidating for students and parents alike. As parents of children with extra support needs, we have questions and concerns about the differences between Middle School and High School. We wonder how our children will cope and what kinds of supports they will receive. After the years at Middle school, this move to a new and very different setting can feel like “going back to square one”!

The Family and Individual Support Program and School District 43 Student Services are pleased to offer this information evening **especially for those parents whose children with intellectual or developmental disabilities are currently in grade 8, and will begin Secondary School in September, 2014.** Our panel includes teachers, counselors and principals, together we will provide information and answer your questions about secondary schools in School District 43, the transition process and what parents should be doing now and in the near future to prepare themselves and their children.

The Simon Fraser Society for Community Living believes that informed, confident parents make the best advocates for their sons and daughters. We encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity to receive valuable information, ask questions and to meet and connect with other parents and School District 43 staff in a friendly, informal environment.

ADVANCE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED - Please RSVP to Rachel le Nobel at the Simon Fraser Society for Community Living at **604-528-3950 ext. 312** or email rlenobel@sfscsl.org before **January 17st, 2014.**



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