

HILLCREST MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Monday, October 9th, 2023

THIS WEEK AT HILLCREST: (see repeating events below)

Monday, Oct. 9 th	· Thanksgiving Stat
Tuesday, Oct. 10 th	· Grade 7 Girls' Volleyball BYE (no game) · Grade 7 Boys' Volleyball BYE (no game)
Wednesday, Oct. 11 th	· Deadline to register for photo retakes (Retakes on Oct. 16 th) · Grade 8 Girls' Volleyball Game vs Como Lake – 3:15-4:30pm · Grade 8 Boys' Game at Como Lake – 3:15-4:30pm
Thursday, Oct. 12 th	· Deadline to order Spirit Wear on School Cash Online
Friday, Oct. 13 th	· PAC Red Robin Lunch

Please see our school calendar on our website: [Hillcrest website](#)

Repeating Events:

Band/Choir:

Beginner Band: Monday/Wednesday 7:45-8:30am – Stage

Advanced Band: Tuesday/Friday 7:45-8:30am – Stage

Choir: Thursday 7:45-8:30am – Music Room

Athletics:

Cross Country: Monday 7:45am – Cedar Circle

Meets: October 12th – Mundy Park District Meet: October 19th – Mundy Park

Volleyball: Grade 6 Practice – Monday/Friday – lunch

Grade 7 Practice – Thursdays – 3:00pm Games - Tuesdays

Grade 8 Practice – Tuesday/Thursday – lunch Games - Wednesdays



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Upcoming Events:

Oct. 14	Deadline to order PAC Apple Fundraiser	Nov. 20	PAC Meeting (Zoom)
Oct. 16	Individual Photo Retakes	Nov. 22	Jays Team Young Actors Project
Oct. 20	Pro D Day (District)	Nov. 30	PAC Bake Sale
Oct. 27	PAC Lunch - Sushi	Dec. 6	Grade 6/7 Immunizations (1A)
Oct. 30	Explorations Term 1 ends	Dec. 6	Jays Team Young Actors Project
Oct. 31	Explorations Term 2 begins	Dec. 13	Jays Team Young Actors Project
Nov. 8	Jays Team Young Actors Project	Dec. 14	Grade 6/7 Immunizations (1B)
Nov. 9	PAC Lunch – Subway	Dec. 18	PAC Meeting (Zoom)
Nov. 10	School Closure Day (District)	Dec. 19	Winter Concert
Nov. 13	Remembrance Day Stat	Dec. 22	Last day before Winter Break

Clubs

Board Game Club: Thursdays – 12:40pm – Learning Commons
Chess Club: Thursdays – 12:40pm – Room 151
Chill Zone: Wednesdays – 12:40pm – Drama Stage
D & D Club: Wednesdays – 3:05pm – Room 153
D & D DM Training: Fridays – 3:05pm – Room 120
Creativity Club: Thursdays – 12:40pm – Room 162
Graphic Design Club: Tuesdays – 12:40pm – Room 124
HLC: Wednesdays – 3:00-4:00pm – MPR
Hotwheels Club: Fridays – 12:40pm – Room 124
Minecraft Club: Thursdays/Fridays – 12:40pm – Room 169
Scratch Coding: Tuesdays – 12:40pm – Room 151
Sewing Kit Sorters: Mondays-Thursdays – 12:40pm – Room 118
Table Tennis: Thursdays – 12:40 - MPR
Yearbook - Photography: Mondays – 12:40pm – Room 124
Yearbook – Design/Edit: Wednesdays – 12:40pm – Room 124

2023-2024 Yearbook

Yearbooks are now available to purchase through School Cash Online. We are currently offering an early bird price of \$35. Yearbooks at this price will only be available until December 22nd or until we sell out. We have limited quantities so don't miss out!

Hillcrest Spirit Wear

Hillcrest Spirit Wear is now available for purchase through School Cash Online. Available options are: Grey T-shirt with large colour logo on back \$25, Black Hoodie with large colour logo on back and small colour logo on front left chest \$65, Black Crewneck sweatshirt with large colour logo on back and small colour logo on front left chest \$55. **Final date to order is Thursday, October 12th at noon.** We must place our order that afternoon so we can't offer any extensions. Delivery will take 3-4 weeks.

MyEd Parent Portals

Please make sure you have access to your parent portal. We will be publishing Verification Forms today.

If you need to make changes to the information published, you will need to print the verification form, write the required changes on the form, and submit the form to the office so we can make those changes. If your address needs changing, supporting documents will need to be submitted. More detailed information about making changes will be coming in a separate email.



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Individual Photo Retakes:

Did you miss the first photo day or are you needing a retake?

If you would like retakes they will be held at the school on: Monday, October 16th, 2023

Please visit this link <https://retakes.mountainwest.ca/hillcrestmiddleschool> and **sign up by Wednesday, October 11th, 2023**

Hillcrest PAC

PAC Donations

Please consider donating to our PAC. Donate online through School Cash Online. Any donations over \$25 will receive a receipt from the District.

Fundraising initiatives from the PAC provides students with additional resources throughout the year. These resources include live performances and presentations.

Scheduled performances this year include:

David Jonsson – A professional skateboarder, David Jonsson shares his story of overcoming the physical and emotional scars of surviving a plane crash. His story focuses on resiliency and relying on a community to help in overcoming obstacles.

Metaphor - Metaphor is a crew of hip hop artists who build community empowerment and social justice through performance and facilitation. Using the hip hop arts--DJing, Breakdancing & Emceeing--Metaphor members have performed and lead workshops globally, to hundreds of schools and community groups. The Metaphor crew are experts at inspiring youth - they are always ready to rock shows and grow hearts.

Dumpsta Dragons is a unique Asian duet who have performed hundreds of shows for children throughout BC and Saskatchewan. Alvin Ramos is a recognized grand master of the Japanese Shakuhachi and has also trained extensively on the didgeridoo with aboriginal masters in Australia. Andrew Kim has toured the world with Delhi2dublin, studied sitar in India under a master, and has toured with numerous African bands. He was also featured on an album by Raffi and has been the subject of 3 CBC documentaries. Together they bring joy and inspiration to children with their unique blend of traditional and homemade instruments!

The fundraising initiatives also help provide buses to transport students to and from field trips so that students can extend their knowledge and experience outside the classroom. These funds assist in purchasing equipment to support extra curricular activities. This year's focus will be on purchasing a new portable scoreboard for our athletic teams to use in the gym.

PAC Meetings

Our next PAC meeting will be October 23rd at 6:30pm on Zoom. We encourage all parents to join us. By taking part in PAC meetings, you will connect with the Hillcrest Middle parents' community and learn about events & activities that are happening at school this school year. You can find future PAC meeting dates, minutes and fundraising information at [https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/hillcrest/Parents/PAC/Pages/default.aspx#/="](https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/hillcrest/Parents/PAC/Pages/default.aspx#/=)

PAC Social Media

Join the "Hillcrest Middle School Parents (Coquitlam)" Facebook page and keep up to date with PAC events and announcements.



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PAC Lunches

These lunches can be ordered through Munchalunch. Ordering closes at 3:00pm one week before the lunch.

October 27	Sushi (ordering closes Oct. 20 th 3:00pm)
November 9	Subway (ordering closes Nov. 2 nd 3:00pm)
November 24	Pasta Polo (ordering closes Nov. 17 th 3:00pm)
December 8	Pizza Hut (ordering closes Dec. 1 st 3:00pm)