

NEW NEWS

INSTAGRAM:

Stay connected and look for some upcoming fun activities and contests by following us on Instagram! Follow your student council at pmss_stuco

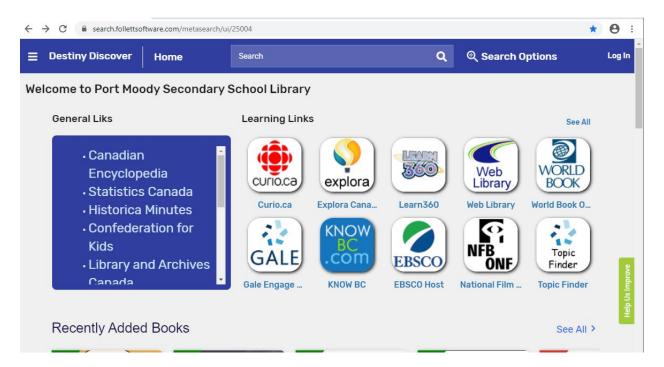
Follow the official school site at portmoodyibsecondary

<u>APRIL 2020 REPORT CARDS:</u> Students will be receiving an email today with instructions about how to log in to the My Ed Student Portal. The sender will be <u>Sysadmin@myeducationbc.gov.bc.ca</u> so students should make sure to check their junk email folder. Report cards will be posted to the student portal sometime before *Friday, May 1*st.

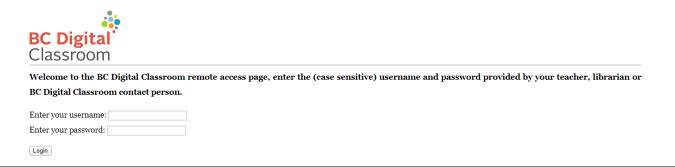
Anyone with difficulties logging in to the MyEd Student Portal should email the PMSS office at 088-Office@sd43.bc.ca

THE DROWSY CHAPERONE - A MUSICAL PREVIEW FROM HOME: It is slightly coincidental that the musical that Port Moody Secondary's Theatre department was supposed to put up this year "The Drowsy Chaperone" is about a man who sits in an armchair listening to a musical in his apartment to bring joy and vibrancy into his world; the Theatre department aims to bring that same joy and vibrancy into your household, with a preview of the opening number of the musical. We also want to relay the message that we are continuing to rehearse over virtual rehearsals to be ready to put this show up for you whenever we next possibly can - whether that be this school year or next. Until then we hope you enjoy a preview of The Drowsy Chaperone that we all filmed within corners of our own houses. https://youtu.be/-vFds-PxX2U

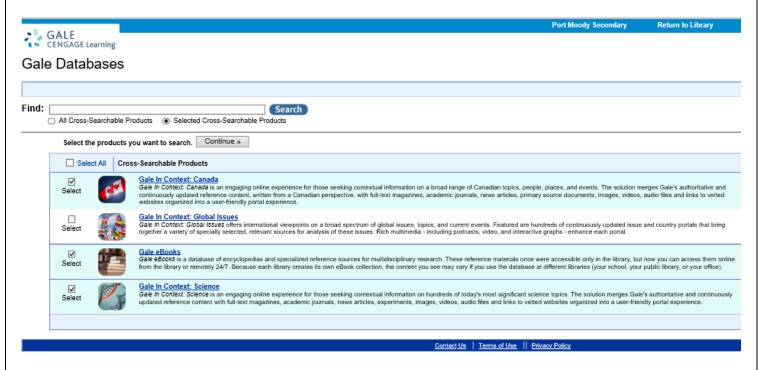
<u>RESEARCH TIPS:</u> The library has many options for conducting research from home. In the last edition of the Times, we looked at Explora. This time we will examine how to use Gale Power Search. First, go to the Destiny Discover home page. https://search.follettsoftware.com/metasearch/ui/25004



The Destiny Discover home page comes up with several different icons. If you click your cursor on the Gale Engage icon it will take you to the page shown below. Your username **and** password is sd43u. Then click on the login button.



This will take you to the Gale search engine. Now you can search any topic you enter into the search bar as seen below. Notice that if you click the Select All button, you will find more information.



It's that simple! For more information on how to get the most out of Gale Databases visit the link below by cutting and pasting it into your browser:

https://assets.cengage.com/gale/docs/training/GaleTopTools_OnlineLearners_QuickTips.pdf

<u>COQUITLAM VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES DURING COVID-19</u> - Coquitlam has been forced to suspend some volunteer programs, but there are still ways to make a difference during the COVID-19 pandemic. In some cases, procedures and requirements have temporarily changed to ensure physical distancing. For example, orientations may take place by phone or video chat. Check https://www.coquitlam.ca/city-hall/career-and-volunteering/volunteer.aspx for details and to contact program coordinators.

<u>POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTION SELECTIONS FOR 2020 GRADUATES</u> - The Ministry of Education distributes transcript information to post-secondary institutions (PSIs) following the selection of a PSI by a student in the StudentTranscripts Service. See details, below, about deadlines and information for students.

DETAILS:

Post-Secondary Selections

Grade 12 and adult students can view and order their transcripts to be sent to PSIs, prospective employers and themselves on the StudentTranscripts Service at: www.studenttranscripts.gov.bc.ca/. Students must create a Basic BCeID account to access their information. Students need only complete their PSI selections once in the current school year. Students should make their PSI selections by **May 1, 2020**, but if needed, may add to their selections at any time through July 10, 2020.

Distribution of Transcripts

PSIs receive student transcripts through a variety of methods including XML data transfer, electronic batch files and more. PSIs with the new XML data transfer capability* receive transcript information throughout the year. For PSIs on the electronic batch process, interim transcript information is sent by the Ministry in early May, and final year-end transcript information is distributed in late July. Unless the student needs to send their printed transcript now, the student should leave the default option to allow the PSI to accept transcript information as it becomes available.

XML Transcript Information

PSI Student Selection Deadline: Any time year round

- Student selects "Send my transcript now and allow this Post Secondary Institution to request transcript updates until the date specified" (the default), and transcript information is then available to the PSI throughout the year
- The PSI immediately receives interim transcript delivery and several PSIs* are able to request updates to interim marks and final marks as required
- PSIs will then have 12 months after authorization to request updated transcripts
- (Note: If the student selects "Send my printed transcript electronically now," the PSI will not be able to receive updates to transcript information made through the year)
- *Currently available for students selecting the University of British Columbia, Simon Fraser University, University of the Fraser Valley, Vancouver Island University, Thompson River University, Kwantlen Polytechnic University, College of the Rockies, Coast Mountain College, Camosun College, College of New Caledonia, Emily Carr University of Art + Design, Nicola Valley Institute of Technology, North Island College, Justice Institute of British Columbia and Northern Lights College.

Batch Process Transcript Information

PSI Selection Deadline - Interim Mark Inclusion: May 1, 2020

- Student selects "Send Interim and Final Marks when they become available" (the default)
- Ministry then sends Interim batch Transcript information to participating B.C. PSIs, University of Alberta,
 University of Calgary and the Ontario Universities' Application Centre (OUAC): May 6, 2020 (Note: If the student
 selects "Send my printed transcript now," the PSI will not be able to receive updates)

PSI Selection Deadline - Final Transcript Information: July 10, 2020

 Provided the student selects either "Send Interim and Final Marks when they become available" or "Send Final Marks when they become available" before this date, the student's final transcript information will be included when the Ministry sends final Transcript information to all students' selected PSIs in late July

Guidance Sources

Before making PSI selections for this school year, students are encouraged to <u>download the poster</u> and view the following YouTube how-to videos (available in English, French and Mandarin):

- Registering for a BCeID and accessing the StudentTranscripts Service https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xJCk3Uj3P0Q
- How to order/send a transcript to a Post–Secondary Institution https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SSo_U7XmH8k
- How to send a transcript to an employer, yourself or anyone https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QoV4K6Hdz2k

Additional Notices for Students

- IMPORTANT: Canada Post has posted a notice of potential <u>delivery delays to USA and temporary suspension</u> <u>of international service to some countries</u> due to COVID-19. If you need to deliver a transcript to a post-secondary institution in a country listed for suspension of international mail service, please contact that institution to find an acceptable delivery method.
- For PSIs that only accept paper transcripts, the default selection is "Send Final Marks when they become available."
- Students may make up to 25 PSI selections free of charge within six months after completing their last course. After six months, students will be charged \$10 per transcript, payable on the StudentTranscripts Service.
- Under the heading "Send your transcript to an employer(s), yourself or anyone," graduating students can also order their own free printed transcript (by mail) as soon as their transcript shows a graduation date at the bottom of the page, or can send an electronic copy via PDF download to anyone they choose.

For students having difficulty accessing StudentTranscripts Service, please use your legal name as it appears on your Unofficial Transcript of Grades. Contact your school counsellor by email if corrections to legal name or birthdate are needed or if your transcript is missing course information.

ONGOING NEWS

<u>CURRENT GRADE 11 STUDENTS:</u> The school district is still taking applications for its "TRAIN in Trades" programs for next school year. These amazing tuition-free programs offer students the opportunity to gain their level 1 certification, while still in high school, in 19 different trades. Information and application forms can found at <u>43Careers.com</u> or by contacting Doug MacLean (cell: 604-341-8977 or <u>dmaclean@sd43.bc.ca</u>). Space is limited, please inquire soon if interested.

RESEARCH TIPS: The physical library at Port Moody Secondary may be closed but students can still conduct research with our virtual library. Over the coming days, the library will provide pointers on how to access and use various search engines. Click on the link below to find out how to use Explora:

https://sd43bcca-

my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/dabirch_sd43_bc_ca/ETTyQHrGKMJLn1LJFfNknicBOSLMa3_gra3Gfg21K_G7Eg?e=UNxi5Y

ACCESS TO NELSON AND PEARSON TEXTBOOKS:

Both Pearson and Nelson Publishing have made a number of their texts available to students and families. To access Pearson resources please follow this link https://tinyurl.com/uhwhlre. For Nelson resources please follow this link https://tinyurl.com/w4hslcc.

COVID-19 PROVINCIAL SUPPORT AND INFORMATION:

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/covid-19-provincial-support?utm campaign=20200319 GCPE AM COVID 4 NOTIFICATION BCGOV BCGOV EN BC NOTIFICATION

British Columbians can use the new provincial phone service by calling 1-888-COVID19, available seven days a week from 7:30AM to 8:00PM, with information in over 110 languages.

Specific public health questions re: COVID-19 should be directed to your local health authority for response.

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION: SAFE & HEALTHY SCHOOLS:

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/administration/program-management/safe-caring-and-orderly-schools

SCHOOL DISTRICT 43:

https://www.sd43.bc.ca/NewsEvents/Pages/COVID-19.aspx#/=

https://www.sd43.bc.ca/faq/Pages/default.aspx#/=

PMSS:

Please make sure to stay connected by downloading the My School Day App https://myschoolday.app/ for the latest updates and by following us on twitter @pmss43.

PMSS TIMES:

The PMSS Times will be distributed on Mondays and Wednesdays.

CAREER CENTRE NEWS

Post-Secondary Information, Admissions Updates, New Post-Secondary Programs, Scholarships, Volunteering, Employment, Career Programs & Training, Leadership and Enrichment Programs

<u>COQUITLAM TEACHER'S ASSOCIATION - ROY KRUTOW \$1250 SCHOLARSHIP</u> – 2 scholarships are awarded annually to the son or daughter of an SD43 teacher, current or retired/deceased – criteria: academic achievement, school involvement; preference given to students planning a career in education. FILLABLE application form on Career Centre online https://tinyurl.com/PMSS-Scholarships\; deadline to apply: **July 1/20**

<u>POST-SECONDARY TRANSCRIPTS – ORDERS DEADLINE</u> -Grade 12 students who have applied, <u>or will be applying for</u> post-secondary entry in *September 2020* must make their PSI orders <u>before</u> <u>APRIL 30/2020!</u> <u>90 PMSS students</u> have <u>NOT</u> completed their orders with the Ministry of Education to send transcript information to post-secondary institutions (PSIs). If you have NOT created orders for institutions, <u>OR ordered transcripts incorrectly</u>, your name will be on this list of students. To find out if you are on the list, email Ms Truax at <u>ftruax@sd43.bc.ca</u>. For more details see the announcement on the Career Centre online: Post Secondary Info at https://tinyurl.com/Career-Centre-Post-Secondary, or the *Mobile App:* Post Secondary Channel.

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS – COQUITLAM OPTIMIST CLUB – Robert Simms Memorial Scholarship – UPDATED DEADLINE AND SUBMISSION PROCESS - Students intending to apply for this \$500 'External Scholarship' (listed in the Local Scholarship Package) should download an **UPDATED** application form from the Career Centre Scholarships page on the school website. Criteria: service to others in the community, need for financial support, & are planning to attend post-secondary after graduation. **COVID_19 update:** applications must be submitted by e-mail this year: NEW DEADLINE May 8, 2020.

GET A HEADSTART IN ART WITH EMILY CARR UNIVERSITY AT GLENEAGLE SECONDARY — Register for Emily Carr's degree credit "Drawing & 2D Language" first year Studio course (FNDT 106) offered at Gleneagle Secondary this fall, Tuesdays, 6 — 9 pm, Sept. 15 — Dec 8/20. Available to current Grade 11 or Grade 12 students or recent graduates. Students who achieve a B grade or higher will be approved to have their portfolio requirement waived for admission to ECU! Visit Sd43's Career & Trades Programs/Post-Secondary Courses at http://www.sd43.bc.ca/CareerPrograms/Pages/TransitionPrograms.aspx#/= for admission requirements and the application form. (Note that Diploma Verification forms will be provided directly to Emily Carr University by SD43). Only 20 spaces available. Instructions from SD43 Transitions Coordinator:

- Students will print off and complete the application
 - o Ignore "student number" on page 5: students do not have an ECUAD number, leave it blank
 - o Students and Parents need to complete fully. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- When they are ready to submit only pages 2, 5 and 6 of the application:
 - o Create a .pdf use a scanner or a free app (like "Lens" in Office 365 or "Scanner for Me")
 - Send those 3 pages directly to Joni Taylor at Emily Carr U. (<u>jtaylor@ecuad.ca</u>) by May 22/20
 - Applications will be ranked by date of receipt.

<u>VILLAGE OF ANMORE/ DR. HAL WEINBURG SCHOLARSHIP</u> — Offered to residents of Anmore **ONLY**, this \$1,000 scholarship is based on community volunteering, academic achievement, extra-curricular activities and future plans. For more details and the application form, visit the Career Centre Online/Scholarships: https://tinyurl.com/PMSS-Scholarships. **Deadline: April 30/20**

<u>BCIT ENTRANCE AWARDS</u> – 25 President's Entrance Awards valued at \$4,000 are offered ONLY to graduating high school students entering programs between *April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021*. More than 125 additional BCIT Entrance Awards are also available, at \$6,000 each. Award package at www.bcit.ca/finaid

PARENTS

For information regarding PAC, please see https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/portmoody/Pages

PMSS GRAD 2020

AFTERGRAD ANNOUNCEMENTS:

AFTERGRAD BOTTLE AND CAN DONATIONS:

You can drop off your bottles and cans at any Return-it Depot by using the Express drop off. Just enter the school's phone number (604-939-6656) at the kiosk. Select AfterGrad 2020, then print your bag tags, stick one tag per clear bag of empties and leave in the Express bin. AfterGrad will greatly benefit from your donation and you will benefit by being rid of cans and bottles quickly and easily!

ME-n-ED'S PIZZA FUNDRAISER:

Port Moody After Grad Committee is asking for your support with our Me-n-Ed's Pizza Fundraiser. Order on the 3rd Thursday of each month (dine in, delivery or take out until May 21st. Coquitlam and Port Coquitlam locations of Me-n-Ed's Pizza Parlors are participating.



We earn 20% from each order but you MUST mention that it is an order to support Port Moody Secondary After Grad for us to earn the 20%. Anyone can order and support this - tell your neighbours and relatives. Thank you for your support! Mark your calendars on the following date: *May 21*st.

\$2,000 CASH RAFFLE FUNDRAISER:

The winner of the \$250 early bird draw on April 1st was Rob Nevalainen, ticket #100.

