



# Port Moody Times

Thursday  
January 21, 2021

PMSS WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME THE FOLLOWING STAFF TO THE SCHOOL TODAY:  
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## DAILY HEALTH CHECK

**Please complete this daily, prior to coming to school.**

If you have not already signed this health check and submitted this to the school, either online or on paper, please complete this as soon as possible. This only needs to be submitted once per student.

**ATTENTION ALL GRADE 9, 10 & 11 STUDENTS!** Course Programming for next year has begun. This year students will be completing this task on-line through their MyEd Portals. All students can now log in and start choosing their electives.

Here is a link to the Course Selection Book:

<https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/portmoody/CourseSelection/Documents/Course%20Book%20Gr%2010,%2011,%2012%20-%202021-2022%20final.pdf>

Programming Information:

Future Grade 10:

<https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/portmoody/CourseSelection/Documents/2020%202021%20Future%20Gr%2010%20Course%20Selection%20Presentation.pdf>

Future Grade 11:

<https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/portmoody/CourseSelection/Documents/2020%202021%20Future%20Gr%2011%20Course%20Selection%20Presentation.pdf>

Future Grade 12:

<https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/portmoody/CourseSelection/Documents/2020%202021%20Future%20Grade%2012%20Course%20Selection%20Presentation.pdf>

Here is a link to the MyEd Instructions on How to Make a Course Selection:

<https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/portmoody/CourseSelection/Documents/MyEd%20How%20to%20Make%20a%20Course%20Selection.pdf>

Students can access their course selection until **Saturday, February 6<sup>th</sup>**. They can enter and edit as many times as they want until the close date.

Students are reminded to review Post Secondary programs of interest to ensure that they select appropriate electives that will support their applications. Please make an appointment with Ms. Chang, if you have questions about university or college program requirements.

Remember that you will be locked out of your MyEd account if you try the wrong password more than three times. Use the "Forgot my Password" button, after two tries.

Please contact your child's counsellor, if you have any questions.

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Mr. Gibney (Alpha L-Z), [jgibney@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:jgibney@sd43.bc.ca)

**SOAR LEADERSHIP APPLICATIONS FOR NEXT YEAR:** Grade 10 students who are interested in being SOAR Leaders next year are invited to fill out an application form and return it to Mrs. Tsui in the biology office before **Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup>** at 1:00pm. Application forms can be picked up from the door to the biology office between rooms 323 and 324.

**ATHLETIC LEADERSHIP APPLICATIONS FOR NEXT YEAR:** Grade 9/10/11 students who are interested in ATHLETIC LEADERSHIP next year are invited to fill out an application form and return it to Mr. Marrello in the PE office before **Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup>** at 3:00pm. Application forms can be picked up in the PE office or through the link below.

 [Leadership sign up.doc](#)

**SPRING FESTIVAL/NEW YEAR:** Do you celebrate Spring Festival, Chinese New Year, or Lunar New Year? Help us decorate the school for the most festive season in Asia! Do you want to make a fantastic Ox, show off your fabulous calligraphy skills, make paper cuttings, or contribute other decorations for the school celebration? We would love your help. Drop your creations off in Room 209 or e-mail Ms. Woldring ([kwoldring@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:kwoldring@sd43.bc.ca)) for more information!

**ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY?** Look no further than the Learning Commons. We need a few students who are interested in library work to help us out from time to time. Fill in the form to apply <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=74xI2ZICUKKZJWRC3iSkS66z8GDxmvBAm8FNYFDXwwpUN0VGVORGQ1AxWkw3TEdHRlpGQ0NJQ1dSTi4u> or scan the code.



**2021 YEARBOOK:** Attention All Students!!! This is your last chance to order a YEARBOOK! The cut off is **Thursday, January 28<sup>th</sup>**. There are students every year that come June wish they had ordered and are put on a wait list and risk not getting one. Be sure to order now so you don't miss out. You can order online or at the office.

**JANUARY PROVINCIAL ASSESSMENTS:** Due to COVID-19 Health and Safety Protocols, Grade 10s will be completing their provincial assessments in their Math and English classes this year. Please see next week's schedule below. Note the 8am start time for morning classes. These students will be able to enter the building through the main entrance at 7:45am.

| Class                     | Assessment | Date             | Time             | Location |
|---------------------------|------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| Kang 1 (Full Class)       | Numeracy   | Monday Jan. 25   | 8:00 - 11:00am   | 214      |
| Podwysocki 1 (Full Class) | Numeracy   | Monday Jan. 25   | 8:00 - 11:00am   | 322      |
| Podwysocki 2 (A-L)        | Numeracy   | Monday Jan. 25   | 11:15am - 2:15pm | 322      |
| Kang 2 (A-L)              | Numeracy   | Monday Jan. 25   | 11:15am - 2:15pm | 214      |
| Naidoo (Full Class)       | Literacy   | Tuesday Jan. 26  | 8:00 - 11:00am   | 317      |
| Maierle (Full Class)      | Literacy   | Tuesday Jan. 26  | 8:00 - 11:00am   | P2       |
| Podwysocki 2 (M-Z)        | Numeracy   | Tuesday Jan. 26  | 11:15am - 2:15pm | 322      |
| Kang 2 (M-Z)              | Numeracy   | Tuesday Jan. 26  | 11:15am - 2:15pm | 214      |
| Kukulowicz (A-L)          | Literacy   | Thursday Jan. 28 | 11:15am - 2:15pm | 218      |
| Kukulowicz (M-Z)          | Literacy   | Friday Jan. 29   | 11:15am - 2:15pm | 218      |

### **Need to write an assessment?**

**Which assessments need to be completed?** For this year, all students must complete a Numeracy 10 and Literacy 10 assessment. This does not need to be completed in Grade 10 but must be completed prior to graduation. A Literacy 12 assessment is expected to be introduced next school year.

**If you are in Grade 12:** We know who you are and will be scheduling you to write in April. We will confirm this with you prior to Spring Break.

**If you are in Grade 11:** Please complete this [form](#) by **Monday, February 15<sup>th</sup>**. We will then contact you once we have confirmed a time for you to complete your assessment(s). Please note that we will do our best to schedule you this year but cannot confirm a spot until we know our numbers. Current Grade 12 students will be given priority for sittings this year.

**If you are in Grade 10:** Please complete this [form](#) by **Monday, February 15<sup>th</sup>**. We will then contact you once we have confirmed a time for you to complete your assessment(s). ***If you are in a Quarter 2, 3, or 4 English and/or Math class there is no need for you to complete this form as you will write in class.*** Please note that we will do our best to schedule you this year but cannot confirm a spot until we know our numbers. Current Grade 12 will be given priority for sittings this year.

## **ONGOING NEWS**

**ATTENTION ALL STUDENT FILM MAKERS AND ANIMATORS!** If you have a student film or animation made in the past year, be sure to take a look at the 5-Minute Film Contest. Its free to enter and there will be prizes awarded. If you have any questions, please see Mr. Watts. Enter online at [www.prfilmfestival.ca/5-minute-film-contest/](http://www.prfilmfestival.ca/5-minute-film-contest/)

**TERRY FOX SCHOOL RUN:** We are proud to announce that Port Moody Secondary's Terry Fox School Run collected \$1,124.30 for cancer research! The Terry Fox Foundation extends their heartfelt thanks for your generosity and support in this very challenging year. Terry's message of hope lives on and remains strong! If you didn't get a chance to donate, our school donation link is still open: <http://www.terryfox.ca/PortMoodySecondary> #tryliketerry

**Q1 SCULPTURE STUDENTS:** It is now time for your cool critter-head clay sculptures on display in the MPR to go home. Please see Ms.G. then take both your artwork and your name tag, but leave the hook.

**VENDING MACHINES:** Please do not insert more than \$5 in our vending machines. If a problem occurs we are unable to reimburse anything over \$5 and students/staff will then have to call the vending machine company (the phone number is on the machines). The vending machines also take debit cards.

**STUDENT PARKING PASS:** If you will be parking in the lower parking lot please come to the office at lunch to pick up a Parking Registration form.

**PMSS TIMES:** The PMSS Times will be distributed on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**. Announcements will not be read over the PA at this time. The Times will also be posted in the Cafeteria under the clock.

## SPORTS

**ATHLETICS:** This year due to COVID-19 the schools' athletics teams and programs are not running this year. However, we still believe that it is so important to maintain an active lifestyle! Send a photo showcasing your active lifestyle into the form attached below with a brief caption.

Active living can be done in so many ways, including physically, mentally, spiritually, nutritionally, or any other way that can be used to stay active and stay healthy! We hope to emphasize how important it is to remain active in these hard times as it has so many benefits for our mind and body.

Send in a photo with a brief caption and get a chance to be featured in this year's active living yearbook section as well as the athletics bulletin boards around the school!

Link to the form:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=74x12ZICUkKZJWRC3iSkS0H1dF7GdKBFtik4r49N7P5UNFREROZEQTJTNVhESFhDSK5OTExKWExIUC4u>

## CLUBS

**PROGRAMMING CONTEST CLUB:** Hello PMSS! Are you interested in problem-solving and programming? Programming contest club is offering the Canadian Computing Competition on **Wednesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>** for students looking to engage in fun problem-solving with programming! The CCC is a 3 hour contest hosted by the University of Waterloo's CEMC. There are two divisions: junior and senior. The junior division is for students with basic programming skills, while senior is for students with intermediate to advanced programming skills. In addition, top-performing students are recognized by Waterloo University in their admission process. If you would like to participate, please sign up here: <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=74x12ZICUkKZJWRC3iSkS7dikfN1h1NEIMPiArl6CG1URUs3TzFOQk9aWEsyN0dFTDgOT1hHSTFIRC4u>. Registration is due at latest by **Sunday, January 24<sup>th</sup>**, the \$8 fee will be charged on School Cash Online soon after. More details will be provided after registration. If you have any other inquires, please feel free to contact us at [088-bxiong@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:088-bxiong@sd43.bc.ca).

## CAREER CENTRE

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

***For the following items, please check the Career Centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80) or the website: [https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/portmoody/ProgramsServices/CareerCentre/Pages/default.aspx#/="](https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/portmoody/ProgramsServices/CareerCentre/Pages/default.aspx#/=) for more info. Follow @pmsstransitions on Twitter and Instagram for reminders!***

**JANUARY CAREER AND TRADES NEWSLETTER:**

Available on PMSS Career Centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80) or on the PMSS Career Centre website!

**MARKETING 11 STUDENTS FOR THE CAREER CENTRE:**

Please check out and give support to the Marketing 11 student's ads for the Career Centre on @pmsstransitions on Twitter and Instagram!

**FUTURE ACES SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM:**

**Deadline:** Wednesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>

**THOMPSON RIVERS UNIVERSITY - "SMART GARAGE PARKING ASSISTANT" PRESENTATION:**

**When:** Wednesday, January 27<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm

**QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY APPLICATION INFO SESSION:**

**When:** Tuesday, January 26<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am

**CANADA SUMMER JOBS 2020:**

Go on Career Centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80) or PMSS Career Centre website for link to list of businesses approved for funding to hire youth age 15-30. Not applicable for international students.

**MT. ROYAL UNIVERSITY - NURSING:**

**When:** Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm

**BCIT INFO SESSIONS - VARIOUS PROGRAMS:**

**When:** From Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup> to Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup>

**DOUGLAS COLLEGE - NEXT STEPS VISIT SD43:**

**When:** Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm

**BC CHILDREN'S WOMEN IN SCIENCE:**

**For:** Grades 10 - 12

**When:** Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup>

**SAVE ON FOODS DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP:**

**Deadline:** Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup>

**UBC GEERING UP: ALL-GIRLS EVENTS:**

**When:** Saturday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> - Design our Future - for Grade 10 & Saturday, February 6<sup>th</sup> - Quantum: The Future of Tech - for Grade 11

**STUDY GO ABROAD VIRTUAL EDUCATION FAIR:**

**When:** Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup>

**XDHACKS MINITHON:**

**When:** Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup> & Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup>

**Deadline to register:** Friday, February 19<sup>th</sup>

**CHANGING THE WORLD: ENGINEERING THE FUTURE:**

**For:** High school girls Grades 10 - 12

**When:** Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00am

**BC SCHOOL SPORTS SCHOLARSHIPS:**

**Deadline:** Monday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> for all scholarships available

**CHARTERED PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANTS OF BC "ASK A CPA CAMPUS AMBASSADOR" - PREPARING FOR POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION:**

**When:** Wednesday, January 27<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm

**CANADIAN UNIVERSITIES EVENT - WINTER EDITION:**

**When:** Wednesday, January 20<sup>th</sup> & Thursday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at 4:00pm - 7:00pm

**BCIT PATHWAY TO SUCCESS AWARDS:**

**Deadline:** Tuesday, April 6<sup>th</sup> - Hand in completed applications to Ms. Campbell

**UNIVERSITY OF THE FRASER VALLEY ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIP:**

**Deadline:** Monday, March 1<sup>st</sup>

**THE AMAZING CASE - SFU:**

**Deadline:** Saturday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>

**GRADE 10 FAMILY NIGHT ONLINE PRESENTATION - UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO:**

**When:** Thursday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm

**DB PERKS & LIFE SAVING SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP:**

**Deadline:** Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup>

**Amount Available:** 3 scholarships at \$1000 each

**"LIVE LIFE. PASS IT ON" SCHOLARSHIP:**

**Deadline:** Friday, May 7<sup>th</sup>

**UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO | LAW VIRTUAL MARCH BREAK PROGRAM:**

**Runs:** Monday, March 15<sup>th</sup> to Friday, March 19<sup>th</sup>

Applications are open on December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020

**Fees:** \$700 / module plus \$98 registration fee per student

**BC TEAL CHARITABLE FOUNDATION AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS:**

**For:** Mainly refugee students or English learners

Applications are open - **Deadline:** Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup>

**CORPUS CHRISTI COLLEGE - CIRCLE OF FELLOWS SCHOLARSHIP:**

Applications are open - **Deadline:** Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup>

**VCC DENTAL HYGIENE INFO SESSION:**

**When:** Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:00pm - 6:00pm

**CANADIAN COAST GUARD COLLEGE VIRTUAL PRESENTATION:**

**When:** Tuesday January 12<sup>th</sup>, Thursday January 28<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday February 9<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm

**SUMMER STEM INSTITUTE:**

**Description:** SSI is an international program that provides academically talented and highly motivated students the opportunity to learn through a data science and research bootcamp, a Masterclass lecture series, weekend challenges, and a mentored research project

**For:** All high school students

**Tuition** (Financial Aid available): \$2450 - \$6450

Applications are open - **Deadline:** Early - Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, Regular- Friday, April 16<sup>th</sup>

**FIRST AID FOR SD43 STUDENTS:**

**When:** Friday, January 8<sup>th</sup> & Saturday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>

**SFU INDIGENOUS PREVIEW DAY 2021:**

**When:** Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am, Wednesday, January 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm & Tuesday, January 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am

**OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL ESSAY CONTEST:**

**Who can apply:** students under the age of 19 as of October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 who are not enrolled as degree-seeking students of a post-secondary institution

**Prize:** up to \$2,500 college scholarship

**Deadline:** Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup>

**CENTRE FOR ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY - DIGITAL BOOTCAMP:**

**Who is eligible:** Grades 11 & 12

**Deadline to apply:** Sunday, February 28<sup>th</sup>

**Early application:** December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 - **Early bird application fee:** \$225.00

**SFU - GENERAL APPLIED SCIENCES PRESENTATION:**

**When:** Thursday January 7<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday January 13<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday January 27<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm - 5:30pm

**SFU - MECHATRONIC SYSTEMS ENGINEERING PRESENTATION:**

**When:** Thursday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at 4:30pm - 5:30pm

**VANCOUVER ISLAND UNIVERSITY INFO SESSION:**

**When:** Saturday, January 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am - 2:00pm, Wednesday January 20<sup>th</sup> & Thursday January 21<sup>st</sup> at 1:00pm - 6:30pm

**CANADIAN UNIVERSITY VIRTUAL EVENT 2021:**

**When:** Wednesday, January 20<sup>th</sup> & Thursday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at 4:00pm - 7:00pm

**JUSTICE INSTITUTE OF BC - LAW ENFORCEMENT INFO SESSION:**

**When:** Thursday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at 1:00pm - 2:30pm

**UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN BC INFO SESSION:**

**When:** Tuesday January 12<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday February 17<sup>th</sup> & Thursday March 25<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm - 5:30pm

**BC PATHWAY TO EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP:**

**Deadline to apply:** Monday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at 11:59pm

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***Follow @pmsstransitions on Twitter and Instagram for reminders!***

## PARENTS

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

**NEXT PAC MEETING: Tuesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm**

**Join Zoom Meeting:**

The link will be posted at a later date.

## GRAD 2021

**Grad 2021 needs the support of all families in our Port Moody Secondary School community!**

### ME-n-ED'S PIZZA FUNDRAISER:

Grad 2021 is asking for your support with our Me-n-Ed's Pizza Fundraiser. Take the night off cooking and order dinner from Me-n-Ed's Pizza. Our next pizza night is **Wednesday, January 27<sup>th</sup>** (dine in, delivery or take out).

We earn 20% from each order but you **MUST** mention that it is an order to support Port Moody Secondary Grad 2021. Anyone can order and support this fundraiser – tell your neighbours and relatives. Thank you for your support!

### PORT MOODY LIQUOR STORE FUNDRAISER:

Attention all Parents - Port Moody Grad 2021 Committee is asking for your support with our Liquor Store Fundraiser. Please mention Port Moody Secondary AfterGrad when making a purchase at PoMo Liquor store (by 7-11 on St. John's Street). We earn 4% of sales from every purchase. Anyone can support this fundraising effort, please tell your neighbours and relatives. Thank you for your support!

## SCHOOL COMMUNITY

### **Winter Weather Ahead!**

Schools are not routinely closed due to snow or other inclement weather conditions. All schools in School District 43 (Coquitlam) will remain OPEN, if possible, during winter weather, including snowfall.

However, on occasion, a district-wide or partial-district closure is required due to extreme weather. Partial-district closures affecting individual schools may occur due to the very different geography within our school district. If there is a partial-district closure affected schools will be identified.

The decision on schools remaining open or needing to be closed, because of extreme weather, occurs **before 6:30 a.m.** so that families can plan and make alternate arrangements.

**Any district-wide or partial-district closure will be decided and communicated by 6:30 a.m. via the School District 43 website [www.sd43.bc.ca](http://www.sd43.bc.ca) and CKNW AM 980 radio, CKWX 1130 radio and CBC (690) radio.**

Extreme weather can also impact transit. Transit schedules may face significant changes or cancellations due to the weather conditions. Parents seeking information on transit schedules need to consult the Translink website:

<http://www.translink.ca/>

We encourage families to continuously check the School District 43 website for updates and changes: [www.sd43.bc.ca](http://www.sd43.bc.ca)

While the District tries to make the best decision with the information available, the weather does change quickly. Therefore, when schools remain open, decisions to stay at home during challenging weather conditions should be made by each family.

Learn more about SD43's process for emergency and inclement weather status updates at:

<http://www.sd43.bc.ca/NewsEvents/Pages/EmergencyInformation.aspx>