



## CALENDAR of EVENTS

### October 30th—November 1st

Gr. 12 Grad Comments due  
See Library for help

### November 4th—8th

Gr. 12 Yearbook comments due—on line

### November 5th

After Grad 7:00 pm, Library

### November 6th

Take Our Kids to Work Day—Gr. 9

### November 11th

Remembrance Day—School Closed

### November 16th

Winter Market Fundraiser 10—4 p.m.

### November 20th

PAC Meeting 7:00 pm, Library

### November 21st

Parent/Teacher Interviews 2:30—6 p.m.  
Report cards handed out at interviews to  
parents/guardians only.

### December 3rd

Winter Ball  
After Grad Meeting—7:00 Library

### December 18th

PAC Meeting 7:00 pm, Library

### December 23rd—January 3rd

Winter Vacation

### January 6th

School Re-Opens—DAY 2

### January 7th

After Grad Meeting—7:00 Library

### January 13th

PAC Meeting 7:00 pm, Library

### January 14th—16th

Grade 9 Immunizations

### January 17th

Last day of classes—Semester 1

### January 20th—23rd

Exam sessions (Times TBD)

### January 27th

Pro-D Day

### January 28th

First day of Semester 2—Day 2



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## COUNSELLING DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

### Scholarship Preparation for Grade 12's

The next Scholarship meeting will be on November 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> at lunch in room 213. Before Christmas break, grade 12 students should spend some time in the Career Resource Centre (located in the counselling area) or on the Career Centre website researching scholarship opportunities. Many scholarships and bursaries are available for students in a wide variety of areas. Most students can qualify for several. Not all scholarships are purely based on academics. Students are responsible for doing the research but can get assistance from Ms. David in the Career Resource Center. Students who wish to be considered for **Major Entrance Scholarships at UBC you must apply to UBC before December 1st. For SFU Major Entrance Scholarships, students must apply before December 15<sup>th</sup>.**

### Check University Websites for Application Deadlines

All BC students are considered "early admission" students because the Ministry transfers marks in late April (after students complete their on-line STS form by March). This means that BC students are offered a post-secondary seat before all other students in Canada. Students can apply to almost all post-secondary institutions in BC at <https://apply.educationplannerbc.ca/> For admission, universities will be looking at semester one final marks and the April report card marks. Note: UBC and SFU is now considering grade 11 marks for conditional acceptance

### PEER TUTORS AVAILABLE FOR ALL STUDENTS

Students needing extra support in their academic classes can request a trained peer tutor. This service can be requested on Riverside's website using the quick link button "Peer Tutoring". Tutors will be assigned based on availability by Mr. Ford (room 225).

### Semester Two Schedules

Another copy of student schedules will be handed out before semester 2 in RAP classes. Unfortunately, course changes are not possible for semester 2. All course changes were completed in June.



## PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

*Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on November 21st from 2:30 until 6:00 p.m. Report cards will be handed out at the interviews. Students will be dismissed at 1:05 on that day. Teachers will be available in the gymnasium on a first come first served basis. We look forward to seeing you there.*

*Report cards that are not picked up at the conference will be distributed the following morning in RAP.*

## Early Dismissal Bell Schedule for November 21st

Block	
1	8:00—8:55
2	9:00—9:50
3	9:55—10:45
Lunch	10:45—11:15
4	11:20—12:10
5	12:15—1:05

## SENDING TRANSCRIPTS TO UNIVERSITIES AND OTHER POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTIONS

### Student Transcripts Service (STS)

### Instructions for Grade 12 students

Students who are graduating this year and are applying to post-secondary schools for a September entry must submit STS information to the Ministry on-line. In order for the Ministry to report interim marks this process must be completed by April 30th. If the process is not completed students are responsible for getting their final marks to post-secondary institutions on their own.

1. Access the Ministry website [www.studenttranscripts.gov.bc.ca](http://www.studenttranscripts.gov.bc.ca)
2. Students must register for a BC Government account, a **BCeID**. Follow the system prompts and register for STS. Finally log-in to StudentTranscripts Service using the BCeID.
3. From a student's STS Dashboard make post-secondary institution selections, view transcript, view assessment results, and send mid-term and final marks when available (2nd option).

### **SD43 RCMP & Firefighting Academy**

Any grade 10-12 students interested in joining the Coquitlam School District RCMP or Firefighting Academy should see Ms. David in the career centre for an application which will be available in early November.

- ◆ RCMP Youth Academy- Date to be yet determined
- ◆ Coquitlam Firefighting Academy- March 13-20, 2020

### SHARE Holiday Hampers

Throughout the end of November and the month of December, Riverside advisories will be collecting non-perishable food for the SHARE hamper program. Donations will be collected every Wednesday in advisory. During the last week of classes, advisories will meet briefly every day to make sure everyone is focused on bringing in their donations. On the final Friday, perishables (potatoes, carrots, apples, milk, cheese, bread, etc.) can be brought in. Students and teachers will deliver the hampers to families on Friday, December 21st.



**Grade 9 Immunization  
January 14th—16th, 2020**

## **Numeracy Assessments:**

All students in Grade 10 are required to write the Ministry of Education's Numeracy Assessment in their grade 10 school year. At Riverside we have organized this in the semester that they are registered in Math 10 (Foundations and Pre Calculus 10 and Workplace Math 10). Students in Grade 10 who are still working through Math 9 will write in the April assessment period. There are also a number of grade 11 and 12 students who have not yet written this assessment **WHICH IS A GRADUATION REQUIREMENT BY THE MINISTRY**. These students have been identified and told by their counsellors that they have been registered for the November 6<sup>th</sup> session.

Students currently in Math 10 will write on **Wednesday November 6<sup>th</sup> either from 9-12pm or 1-4pm**. These assessments are computer based and will be in rooms 101, 112, 125, 221 or 225. A schedule will be posted next week and shared with their math teachers so the students will have ample notice in which room they will be in and when. Please remind your grade 10 students to listen to announcements or check the posted schedule later this week. Students should be in the room no later than 20 minutes before the exam.

All regular classes will be in session (except for grade 9s who will be at Take your Kid to Work Day). Students will be excused from classes if they are in their exam as scheduled.

Students in Math 10 in second semester will write their Numeracy Assessment on April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

## **Literacy Assessments:**

Along with Numeracy 10, the Ministry of Education has added a Literacy 10 Assessment for ALL grade 10 students. At Riverside, all grade 10 students will be writing their assessment on January 22<sup>nd</sup>. A schedule will come out for this in early January.



On Tuesday December 10, the students in our French Immersion and Modern Languages program will have the opportunity to put their language skills to work when the *Creperie Le Boheme* returns to Riverside. The students can order a variety of sweet crepes in French, Spanish or Italian from the food truck staff.

**Prices range from \$4 – \$6 Cash only**

## **SHORTSHORTS**

### **News from River's Edge Theatre**

The annual Festival of Short Shorts, a one act play festival, hits the stage Nov 20, 21, 22 and 23 (7:30pm nightly) with short plays in rotation and something for everyone.

This year we have planned a very special event on Friday, Nov. 22nd, our first-ever catered evening of entertainment!

Short plays onstage and fancy snacks to enjoy, tickets will be on sale soon from some students attending the upcoming NYC Tour, as a fundraiser. Find out more at our school site, on Instagram ([riversedgetheatre](#)) on Facebook (River's Edge Theatre) or by contacting [nroberge@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:nroberge@sd43.bc.ca).

# ATTENDANCE AND REPORTING

## STUDENT ABSENCES

Students are expected to attend all classes on time.

We ask that parents take an active role in assisting us in monitoring student attendance. Please contact the school as soon as possible whenever your son/daughter is going to be late or absent from school.

You can report absences any of the following ways by providing your child's name and/or time they will be absent from school and the reason for the absence.

Option #1 – the most secure

Call Riverside at 604-941-6053 between 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to speak directly to an office staff member.

Option #2

Go to our website and click the [Absence Report](#)

Please enter as much information as possible such as time (eg: 9am—11am) or blocks (eg: B and C) that the student will be leaving or returning.

Option #3

After 4:00 p.m. you may leave an absence message at the school phone number.

We only monitor Options #1, #2 and #3 for attendance.

We ask staff to make contact with home regarding repeated lates and absenteeism. Please expect their phone calls.

We have an auto-dialer system which emails homes daily to verify unexcused absenteeism of all students.

All students, if leaving early for any reason, must check out at the office with parent permission. Report to the office to sign back in when you are returning from appointments, etc.

### **Reminder that the block times are as follows:**

#### Regular Schedule:

Period X (1) starts at 7:37 a.m.

Period A (2) starts at 9:00 a.m.

Period B (3) starts at 10:25 a.m.

Period C (4) starts at 12:25 p.m.

Period D (5) starts at 1:50 p.m.

#### Wednesday Schedule:

Block X (1) starts at 7:37

Block A (2) starts at 9:00

Advisory (6) starts at 10:15

Block B (3) starts at 10:40

Block C (4) starts at 12:35

Block D (5) starts at 1:50



## **Message From Your Admin Team**

Greetings Riverside Community,

First off, a huge thank you to all our volunteer coaching staff members. Without you, the teams could not run and our students and families are incredibly appreciative for your dedication. We are having another great Riverside fall season, and our Cross Country Running team has just won our first banner in the new "Fraser North" zone. Well done!

### ***Parking and Drop-Off:***

If you drive your child to or from school, please take a moment to review our traffic rules. These are all for the safety of our kids. Thank you!

- No cutting through the staff parking lot in front of our school if you are picking up, dropping off, or passing through. We place cones in the afternoon to curb usage of that area, and that seems to be working well to lessen the risk to pedestrians, however in the morning there are no cones and we rely on you to be aware of the rules.
- Consider an alternate pick-up and drop-off location. Some parents are choosing the side street, north parking lot, and Reeve street further north next to the park. Even though it's convenient for students at the front door of the school, it's far safer (and faster for you) if you choose an alternate location – a safe one, of course!

### ***Halloween:***

A reminder that all types of fireworks are forbidden on school property, and possession of any such material is subject to our strict code of conduct and consequence system. Also, please note that Halloween costumes must conform to our dress code policy as described on Page 7 of our code of conduct.

### ***Student Photos:***

Our photo supplier, Mountain West, does not print a sample photo package for your child. Instead, you can access the samples on their website by entering the code which is found on your child's Go Card. With that, you can select and order a photo package if you so choose.

[www.mountainwest.ca](http://www.mountainwest.ca)

### ***Career Resource Center:***

All students, especially Grade 11's and 12's, are encouraged to discover the rich resources of our Career Center, now located inside the Counselling office. Our fabulous Career Resource Facilitator, Ms. David, is there to help your child find the information they need for the important steps towards post-secondary opportunities. This coming Wednesday, Oct 30, we have a Post-Secondary "Fair" coming to the cafeteria, and all our Grade 11's and 12's will have a chance to visit the tables from various institutions.

### ***Report Cards & Parent/Teacher Conferences:***

For those who are new to our Riverside community, please note that we have an open house style of parent/teacher conferences. Report cards are available on Nov 21, starting at 2:30pm in the gymnasium, and our teachers will be available at the same location for the rest of the afternoon for drop-in conferences. Students are welcome to attend with you, and no appointment necessary. See you there.

--Mr. Bruneau, Ms. Buteau, Mr. Giles, and Mr. Hyde

# WINTER WEATHER AHEAD!



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

Some of our schools are in very different climate zones from one another and there may be the need for select closings within the district. If there is a partial closure of schools within the district, these individual schools will be identified.

On occasion, full district or partial district closure is required.

Extreme weather can also impact transit bussing. Bus schedules may face significant changes or cancellations due to the weather conditions. Parents seeking information on transit bus schedules need to consult the Translink website: <http://www.translink.ca/>

Any district-wide or partial closure will be decided by 6:30 a.m. at the latest and will be announced via **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.

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, should schools be closed. Please do not call the school just to find out if they are open. While the District tries to make the best decision with the information available, the weather changes quickly and therefore decisions to stay at home during challenging weather conditions should be made by each family.

## **REMINDER TO PARENT(S)/GUARDIAN(S)**

*If you have not completed the list of important forms below that were handed out to students on September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019, please complete the forms and return them to the office in the next few days.*

- ⇒ Individual student fees statement (Fees to be submitted on line, refer to our August newsletter for details)  
Student Activity Fees - \$45.00 (*yearbook and/or workbook fees if applicable*)
- ⇒ Individual Personal Information Verification forms - *please check that all information is current and accurate, make any necessary changes, and return to the school.*
- ⇒ Riverside Secondary Daily Physical Activity Intent form

See [www.sd43.bc.ca/school/riverside/](http://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/riverside/) **Parents—Forms for the electronic forms**

School Policies and Permission Forms (eForms)

- \* District and School Code of Conduct
- \* Internet Use – Informed Consent form and Photographs/Names publication permission
- \* School Notices Consent

Emergency Release Form (eForms) printed and returned to office

Medical alert form (**only if applicable**) (eForms)

**Medical Alert forms must be completed every year for students with any Medical Alert(s). Also a request for the administration of medication form is to be completed every year and be signed by a physician.**

*Thank you for your help with these important tasks.*

# Outdoor Club



Amongst many local trips, the Outdoor Club is going Snowshoeing and Skiing at Mount Seymour. Snowshoe Survival Skills Tour is Thursday February 6<sup>th</sup>. Includes a Mount Seymour Guide, snowshoe rental and trail pass, \$24. Ski Day Thursday February 27<sup>th</sup> 55\$, includes rentals and a lesson. Permission forms available from Ms. McArthur in Portable 3. Payment due by December 13<sup>th</sup> through school Cash Online. Space is limited, sign up ASAP.

Winter  
Ball

On December 3rd, Riverside's grade 11 and 12's will be able to celebrate our annual winter semi-formal dance event from 6:00 - 9:00 pm.

Doors open at 6:00 pm and close at 7:00 pm. Students must bring their ID with them and it is a closed campus, meaning there are no guests or in and out privileges.

More importantly this is a school sanctioned event and there is zero tolerance for the use of any alcohol or drugs on SD #43 property.



Did you know that every 30 seconds a child dies of severe acute malnutrition? While, here in Canada, 1 in 7 youth are considered obese. This year, Riverside Secondary School has pledged to improve both of these statistics by taking on the Move 4 Mana Initiative. Students will be asked to download the “Active for Good” app on their smartphones and the challenge will begin on October 16th. They will be given time to log their physical activity for an entire month and will receive points depending on the intensity of their workouts. They can count their extra-curricular activities, gym classes or even their walks to school. For every 200 points that they earn a peanut butter base

Ready-to-Use Therapeutic Food packet (RUTF) will be donated to a child suffering from severe acute malnutrition. For every 150 package donations, a life is saved. By improving our own well-being, we will be saving the lives of so many children in need, who are not likely to survive without this RUTF. If you know of or work for a company willing to sponsor our student-led initiative, please contact [cdurand@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:cdurand@sd43.bc.ca).

### **Take our kids to work day – November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019**



**TAKE  
OUR KIDS  
TO WORK**

Take our Kids to Work day is taking place on **Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019**. This is an annual event in Canada, originally launched in 1994, and has grown to have some 200 000 students visiting workplaces each year. All of Riverside’s grade 9 students are given the opportunity to step into their future for a day and get a glance into the working world. On this day students will job-shadow a parent, relative, friend of the family, neighbor or volunteer host, where they experience and learn about the world of work. Math 9 teachers will be issuing a consent form that will need to be returned once students/parents have arranged for a suitable placement on that day. Many workplaces are aware of this day and plan activities for students to explore different areas within their organization – contact your HR department to inquire. Any questions about this day can be directed to your son or daughter’s math 9 teacher.





RIVERSIDE SECONDARY SCHOOL

# *Annual Winter Market*

**Please join us on Saturday November 16th 10 am—5 pm.**

We have over 140 crafters and vendors that put all their effort into creating some unique gifts and products, an event not to be missed. Come have lunch at our concession, treat yourself at the bake sale, take part in the raffle draw, 50/50 and silent action. Please help make the community aware of our event by sharing our event link on your Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/events/516324075845946/>

This is the biggest fundraising effort for the after grad committee. We are raising funds to pay for the event after the dinner dance to keep our kids safe.

## Volunteers

**We still need a lot of parent volunteers** to make Winter Market a success. If you are able to volunteer on Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup> to help with various tasks at Winter Market, please sign up. We're using SignUp.com (the leading online SignUp program and reminder tool) to organize our upcoming SignUps.

### **Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:**

1) Click this link to see our SignUp on SignUp.com: <https://signup.com/go/bTZYcNd>

2) Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like.

3) Sign up! It's Easy - you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password on SignUp.com.

Note: SignUp.com does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact Laura Code at [lauracode@shaw.ca](mailto:lauracode@shaw.ca) and she can sign you up manually.

Every year we make up **hampers** that get auctioned off in a silent auction at the Winter Market. We appreciate any donations of items for these hampers. If you have unwanted gifts items that we could use in a hamper, please bring them to the next After Grad meeting on November 5<sup>th</sup>. 7.00pm In the library or please drop them off at the office beforehand and mark them "Attention Winter Market".

We will be having a **bake sale** at the Winter Market. Any baked goods would be appreciated and should be dropped off at the school office on November 15<sup>th</sup> or before 9:00am on the 16<sup>th</sup> in front of the gym.

### ***Please support our fundraiser tables at the Winter Market.***

**PURDY'S Chocolates** Who doesn't love chocolates? Even sugar free! Just look through the brochure and decide what you want, fill out the order form and return to the office by **Friday, November 22nd**. OR log onto

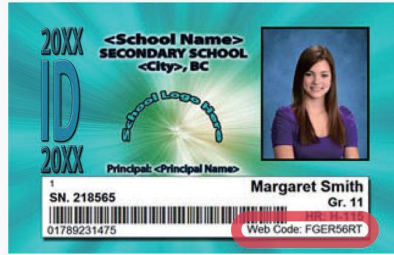
<https://fundraising.purdys.com/1027669-69937>

**DESSERTCO** Cookie Dough, Pizzas, Squares and more! **Ethical Bean Coffee.** Please contact Kathy Turnbull @ 604-802-3880 or [turnbulls4@telus.net](mailto:turnbulls4@telus.net) if you have any questions or would like to email your orders directly to us. We will also have a table at this year's Winter Market at Riverside on November 16<sup>th</sup>, so pop by if you'd like to drop off your orders and payments directly to us!

**Your image/s are ready for online viewing and ordering!**

Here's how to order:

- Go to [order.mountainwest.ca](http://order.mountainwest.ca)  
(more options are available when on a laptop or desktop)
- Enter the 8 character Web Code from your student ID card
- View and customize your images; your order will be sent to the shipping address provided- it's just that easy!



*Thanks for the privilege of being your photographer*  
**Questions or concerns? email [orders@mountainwest.ca](mailto:orders@mountainwest.ca)**

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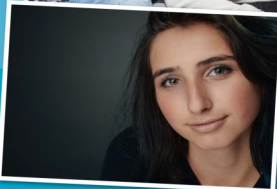


**WHEN:** October 28, 29, 30 2019  
November 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 2019

**WHERE:** Pitt River Community Middle School  
2070 Tyner St, Port Coquitlam, BC

**SIGN-UP:** Online at [www.mountainwest.ca](http://www.mountainwest.ca)

**SIT FEE:** No sit fee.



## PLEASE REMEMBER:

We provide the cap gown, flowers, diploma and a variety of backgrounds and creativity.

In order to be in your school year book, it is important for you to have your graduation yearbook photo taken.

You may bring props for your optional casual photos, ie. sports items, musical instruments, etc.

- Please bring just one favourite selection of clothes for your casual photos.
- Please arrive 15 minutes before your appointment time. Late arrivals will have to re-schedule at a later date.

**Any questions, call us at 1.888.644.4494, Ext. 126**



Graduation photos  
**Riverside Secondary**  
October 28<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> 2019  
November 1<sup>st</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> 2019

Mountain West Studios is the official photographer for Riverside Secondary graduation photos.

Students can book their session through our website @ [mountainwest.ca](http://mountainwest.ca)

- Select (BOOK a PHOTO SESSION) at the top of the page.
- Select your school and proceed to the date & time preferred.

**Location:** Pitt River Community Middle School  
2070 Tyner St, Port Coquitlam, BC  
(In the portables)

\* Please avoid white or light-coloured clothing. Solid, medium and dark colours look best on camera.

\* We provide the cap, gown, school colors, flowers, diplomas and a variety of backgrounds and creativity.

\* In order to be in your school yearbook it is important for you to have your graduation yearbook photo taken.

\* Please arrive 15 minutes before your appointment time. Late arrivals will have to re-schedule at a later date.

\* Retakes are January 17th 2020

If you have any questions, please contact Mountain West Studios.

**Phone:** 1.888.644.4494 Ext. 126

**Email:** [grads@mountainwest.ca](mailto:grads@mountainwest.ca)

# PAY ALL SCHOOL FEES ON-LINE

A reminder all fees, including yearbook, activity fees, cap and gown, will be collected on-line. To pay, please click on "fee payment" or visit our web-site and click on the button that says "student fees". In three simple steps, you will have created an account and be able to use this account to pay for field trips or others other fees that may come up during the school year. The great thing is that once you've created an account, you can use the same account to pay fees for all your children if you have others attending schools in the Coquitlam School District.



Make online payments with  
**SchoolCashOnline**

- ✓ Field trips
- ✓ Sports Events
- ✓ Activity Fees

Register at [SchoolCashOnline.com](http://SchoolCashOnline.com)



## Here's How To Get Started:

- 1) Follow the link or scan the QR code provided.
- 2) Click on "Get Started Today".



- 3) Create your account:

i) Enter your first and last name; click continue.

Registration

Step 1
Step 2
Step 3

→ First Name

→ Last Name



ii) Enter your phone #, address, and email address; click continue.

Registration

Step 1
Step 2
Step 3

→ Phone #

→ Address Line 1

→ Address Line 2

→ City

→ Country

→ Province

→ Postal Code

→ Email

iii) Choose a password with at least one capital letter and one symbol, choose a security question; click continue.

Registration

Step 1
Step 2
Step 3

→ Password

→ Confirm Password

→ Security Question

→ Security Question Answer

→ I want to receive email notifications for new fees assigned to my student and updates on school-related activities.

- 4) Make sure to OPT IN to receive email notifications for new items available for online payment.
- 5) Check your inbox and junk folder for your confirmation email. Make sure to add SchoolCashOnline to your address book.
- 6) After you receive the confirmation email, select the "Click Here" option; sign in and add each of your children to your household account.

## Forms of Payment Accepted:

- Credit Card (Visa/Mastercard)
- E-Cheque
- E-Wallet



## To Access School Cash Online:

Scan the QR code or follow the link below:



<https://sd43.schoolcashonline.com>

For further inquiries call the  
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