

ÉCOLE RIVERSIDE SECONDARY



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APRIL/MAY 2022

IMPORTANT DATES

Apr 2 - Chipotle fundraiser (4pm-8pm)

Apr 7 - Gr 12 Assembly

Apr 11-18 - Online Auction - AfterGrad Fundraiser

Apr 14 - Midterm Q3 Marks Posted

Apr 14 - In-person Assemblies for each of Grades 9, 10 & 11

Apr 15 - Good Friday (Closed)

Apr 18 - Easter (Closed)



Apr 21 - Online Parent-Teacher Interviews

Apr 22 - Pro-D Day (No classes)

Apr 26-27 - Gr 10 Provincial Assessments

Apr 28 - Gr 12 Provincial Assessments

May 3 - Grad Dinner/Dance and AfterGrad tickets on sale

May 6 - Pro-D Day (No classes)

May 23 - Victoria Day (Closed)

Jun 4 - Graduation Dinner/Dance and AfterGrad

A message from Riverside Admin:

A warm welcome back to students following Spring Break.

We are in a different kind of time with COVID restrictions relaxing. It's nice to see the slow, yet reassuring changes, to the pandemic. The district letter sent last weekend outlines all the specifics of what has changed. Thank you to all the families for their diligence throughout the pandemic. We navigated all the difficulties very well as a community!

In a couple of weeks, we will be having assemblies for each of Grade 9's, 10's and 11's in the gym. These are the first gatherings all together for the Grade 9's and 10's.

This newsletter contains many upcoming events and fundraisers, and timely information on a number of topics. Please take a moment and read through and pay special attention to those AfterGrad fundraisers. They are always great for both you and the overall beneficiary which is our AfterGrad event.

Thank you,

-- Riverside Admin

Provincial Assessments Update

As part of the graduation requirements, students in the B.C. Graduation Program will complete three provincial assessments. These assessments focus on the demonstration and application of **numeracy** and **literacy**.

The next session of provincial assessments is scheduled for the **week of April 25th**. Due to the cancellation of assessments in January, all students in grade 10 will be writing the Literacy 10 and Numeracy 10 assessment. Students in grade 12 will be writing the Literacy 12 assessment. Due to the impact of the pandemic the Ministry of Education has decided to postpone the implementation of the Évaluation de littératie de la 12^e année until the 2022-2023 school year.

A detailed assessment schedule will be provided at the start of April.

For helpful information to prepare for the Numeracy 10 assessment visit <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/provincial/grade-10-numeracy-assessment>

For Literacy 10

<https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/provincial/grade-10-literacy-assessment>

For Literacy 12

<https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/provincial/grade-12-literacy-assessment>

Reminders for all parents who drive their child to school:

Pick-up times are highly congested. Please do not stop in the left lane of our drop off driveway in front of the school.

Drive slowly after dropping off your child in the morning - there are people using the marked crossings.

Be extra careful using the traffic circle. Traffic on Reeve Street **does not** have right-of-way - the traffic rules are in effect. We sometimes show the newer drivers this site: <https://www.icbc.com/road-safety/driving-tips/Pages/How-to-use-roundabout.aspx>

Fundraising

After Grad Fundraising – Help Support our Grads!

Chipotle

A flyer for a Chipotle fundraiser. At the top, the text "DO GOOD WITH CHIPOTLE" is written in a large, stylized font. Below this is a photograph of a burrito wrapped in aluminum foil. Underneath the burrito, the text reads "CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER FOR RIVERSIDE SECONDARY SCHOOL PAC-AFTER GRAD". Below that, it says "33% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE". The date and time are "SATURDAY, APRIL 2ND | 4-8PM" and the address is "2325 OTTAWA STREET, PORT COQUITLAM, BC, V3B 8A4". At the bottom, it says "ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP USING CODE Q48WDLL OR SHOW THIS FLYER IN RESTAURANT". The background of the flyer is filled with various words related to fundraising and community.

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CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER FOR
**RIVERSIDE SECONDARY SCHOOL
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For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.

Saturday, April 2nd 4pm – 8pm

Mmmm, come get some tasty burritos and help out the PAC's After Grad

33% of sales goes towards our fundraiser

In store purchase - Bring in this flyer

Online orders - Use Code Q48WDLL

Purdy's Chocolate

Our Purdy's Chocolate Bar Fundraiser has started – milk or dark chocolate bars are only \$2.00 – available in Room 124



Online Auction

April 11-18 - Parent-run Online Auction in support of AfterGrad22. Click on the following link to access: <https://trellis.org/riverside-secondary-g22-fundraiser/auction>

Cat & Fiddle Select Liquor Store

The Cat & Fiddle Select Liquor Store at 1760 Kingsway Avenue is sponsoring our 2022 After Grad. When making your purchases at the till, please mention Riverside After Grad.

Bottle Drive – Biggar Bottle Depot

Please collect your empty bottles over the holiday season and return them to Biggar Bottle Depot, 2577 Kingsway Avenue, Port Coquitlam and use the phone number 604-937-8058 for our account, which is the school's fax number.

Graduation



Valedictorian

Students who are interested in valedictorian have to have Honour Roll status and be in good behavioural standing. All candidates should enjoy public speaking. They should be able to bring the grad class together by sharing their unity and achievements, and not just focusing on the obvious. They should also be interested in not just talking about how life has been to this point, but also in adding perspective in guiding everyone forward into thinking about their future after high school. We tell them they need to make the audience laugh and make the audience cry through the power of their words.

Valedictorian Selection Process

Students interested in being a valedictorian should indicate their interest to a teacher that they trust to nominate them for the valedictorian process. Teachers will put forward students who have expressed an interest in being a valedictorian as well. Students must have Honour Roll status and are in good behavioural standing. They also must be a positive role model in the eyes of their peers and teachers. Once those students are put forward, a committee of teachers will evaluate all the candidates to ensure that they meet the criteria. All candidates will then meet with the vice principal and the sponsor teacher to ensure that they are aware of the expectations of being selected as the valedictorian and salutatorian. Students will then commit to either proceeding or not the next day after the meeting. If they do not check in then it will be assumed that they are not interested in being the valedictorian.

If a student expresses interest in being a valedictorian, then the student will create a profile that highlights their 4 or 5 best achievements at Riverside Secondary. Depending on the level of interest, a committee of English department teachers will then rank the candidates based on the profiles shown. Only the top 10, will be able to create a video that would be performed live in front of their peers. This is done for potential candidates to try to convince the grade 12 class that they should be the valedictorian.

Students will vote on their valedictorian and salutatorian. The top student based on votes will be voted as the valedictorian and the student with the second highest number of votes will be the salutatorian at the commencement ceremony and will also give a speech at the Grad Dinner Dance. Every two weeks, the two will check in with the sponsor teachers who will mentor them in terms of crafting their speech. They must present a copy of their speech to the sponsor teacher and the vice principal. This speech is the one that they will present at the Grad Dinner Dance or commencement. This selection process will start in March. The video profile will take place at the end of April and will be part of the valedictorian candidate's introduction at the live performance. The vote for valedictorian will take place during the second week of May. **Please refer to the grade 12 calendar for specific valedictorian deadline dates.**

Grade 12's - are you the next valedictorian or salutatorian? Forms are due April 7th to Mr. Barrington in Portable 1.

Student Transcript Service

Any student applying for post-secondary programs must complete the online application on [Student Transcript Service](#) (STS) in order to allow post-secondary schools to view their grades. On Student Transcript Service, students can view their marks, their transcripts, as well as send out transcripts. www.shorturl.at/csBES

Grad 2022



Grade 12's: If you have applied to post secondary institutes, please remember to do your Student Transcript Service (<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/transcripts-and-certificates>)

to ensure your official transcript will be sent to the institutions.

All Things GRAD Newsletter, edition #4.

Are you following our **Riverside Grad Committee (G22) Instagram account**? Follow our @rapidsg22 to stay informed on upcoming grad information.

- Grad Dinner/Dance tickets are \$145 and will go on sale May 2nd – 13th. Payment can be made through school cash online. Students must bring their receipt with them May 2-5 and May 9-13 to be able to sign up for a table (max. 10 per table). This fun formal event will be on Saturday, June 4, 6pm to 11pm at the Pinnacle Hotel in Vancouver. Doors close at 7pm (no in and out privileges).
- Did you forget to submit your **cap 'n gown measurement**? Grads must email Ms. Berg at sberg@sd43.bc.ca with their height **ASAP!**
- Our Grade 12 Timeline of events is constantly being updated. Visit **Grade 12 Central** link on our Riverside Intranet website to see important dates regarding scholarships and valedictorian applications.

AfterGrad 2022

- AfterGrad will occur at the Hyde Creek Community Centre on June 4th (immediately following the dinner/dance). Students can enter AfterGrad between midnight and 1am and it goes till 4am. Doors close at 1am (no in and out privileges).
- Please, we are asking you to avoid organizing private house parties on the night of AfterGrad in lieu of AfterGrad. A lot of work has gone into making it an inclusive and fun event for the whole grad class. Let's get all the kids involved!
- Tickets will be approximately 30 to 35 dollars (price to be finalized in time for Gr 12 assembly), and go on sale May 2nd – 13th. Payment can be made through school cash online starting in May.
- AfterGrad is a Grade 12 event that occurs all night, immediately following the Grad Dinner/Dance on June 4th (pandemic-permitting). It's a **parent-run event** that gives grads a place to continue to celebrate in a safe environment. Very memorable and fun for parents too who come to volunteer before and during the event.
- They are preparing for AfterGrad in hopeful anticipation of a better pandemic year in 2022 and make the day special for the Grads, no matter what happens. Early preparation is all about fundraising.
- Last year, we coordinated some very successful fundraisers which were relatively easy to do.
- We are really looking forward to high participation this year. If you want to help out, please email our office (riverside@sd43.bc.ca) and we will connect you to the organizing team of parents.

Sports

Provincials

School Spirit



The School Spirit Award was awarded at the AAAA Girls Basketball Provincial Championships last month.

At Riverside, our students and staff sit together and cheer together. This creates an amazing environment for all.



Basketball // Curling

Congratulations to both our curling and basketball teams on their great placements at Provincials last month!

Community

Empowering You – Building Resiliency Workshop

Starts April 4th - June 6th



Empowering YOU is a **FREE** 10-week program that provides mental health education to help youth develop skills that enable them to cope with challenges in life. The ultimate aim of Empowering YOU is to help youth aged 14 to 17 to manage stress, moments of anxiety, mood challenges, and relationship difficulties through self-awareness, coping strategies (e.g., mindfulness), connecting with nature and physical activity.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The goal of this program is to develop a sense of connection and belonging among participants in the 10-week program while learning about tools and techniques to manage their mental health. The program will run once a week for two hours. The first hour is dedicated to learning and information. During the second hour, youth engage in physical activity which gives them an opportunity to experience and practice the information and learning. The program builds largely on the work of Jill Rathus and Alec Miller (2015) and dialectical behaviour therapy (DBT) and more specifically their DBT Skills Manual for Adolescents.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The overarching guiding principle for Empowering You is to **create a safe space** by:

- ✓ Creating and supporting positive experiences and peer relationships.
- ✓ Ensuring programming is standardized, age-appropriate and builds on best practice.
- ✓ Incorporating and practicing emotional, physical and mental risk management.
- ✓ Practicing strength based and trauma informed approaches to facilitation

PARTICIPANTS

Empowering YOU is a program for youth, aged 14 to 17, including youth in care or aging out of care, to assist with managing stress, moments of anxiety, mood challenges and relationship difficulties.

We gratefully acknowledge the financial support of the Government of Canada and support of the Province of British Columbia.

WHERE AND WHEN

Port Coquitlam Community Centre, Port Coquitlam
Mondays 4-6pm April 4 to June 6, 2022 &
Wednesday April 20 & May 25, 2022
in place of April 18 & May 23

Email for more information or to register: empoweryou@bcrpa.bc.ca

Student Leadership Council

SD43 STUDENT LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

Become your
best self



SLC
Leadership
Conference

April 22, 2022

Middle: 9-11:30 | Secondary: 12-2:30
Keynote: Mark Black | Virtual Event



Sign up by April 18:
[https://sd43.schoolcash
online.com/](https://sd43.schoolcashonline.com/)



Job Opportunities at SD43

Casual Clerical

Coquitlam School District invites applications from individuals for the position of on call casual clerical.

This on call position provides administrative support at elementary, middle, and secondary schools as well as other various district locations throughout the district in Coquitlam.

The successful candidate must have a strong ability to multi-task and interact with students, parents, teachers, support staff and administration.

Applicants must be able to type a minimum of 50 wpm. A strong secretarial background is required, and knowledge of bookkeeping and accounting is an asset.

Successful candidates will be available Monday – Friday, 5 days per week and be willing to accept callouts to all locations in our District. We offer \$26.09-\$ 27.39 per hour plus 16% in lieu of benefits.

To apply, please click on the following link and create a user account/profile. <https://ejp.sd43.bc.ca/postings/Account/Login>. Once you have completed your profile you will have access to the job postings. Please attach a cover letter and resume.

Casual Noon Hour Supervisors

School District #43 Coquitlam is looking for Casual Noon Hour Supervisors. This position requires individuals to be available on an On-Call basis to supervise students indoors and outdoors during lunch break (one hour per day) at various schools throughout the District in Coquitlam, Port Coquitlam, Port Moody and Anmore.

Previous experience working with groups of children is an asset. Successful candidates will be available over the lunch hour Monday – Friday, 5 days per week while the school is in session and be willing to accept callouts to all schools in our District. We offer \$22.30 per hour plus 16% in lieu of benefits.

To apply, please click on the following link and create a user account/profile. <https://ejp.sd43.bc.ca/postings/Account/Login>. Once you have completed your profile you will have access to the job postings.

Summer Learning Opportunities

Summer Learning 2022*

Elementary
Eight locations, Tuesday July 12 - Friday July 29 9:00am-12:00pm. K to 1 transition, English for Beginners, Fine & Performing Arts, French Immersion, Integrated studies, Math, Reading & Writing, Coding (Info tech), Outdoor Science, STEAM, and more!
Free to all BC residents.

Middle
Three locations, Tuesday July 12 - Friday July 29 8:45-11:45am. Art, Band, Guitar, Creative Writing, Drama/Improv, English for Beginners, Guitar, Home Ec/Culinary, Integrated studies, Language Arts, Mathematics, PE/Leadership, Coding (Info Tech), Outdoor Science, STEAM, Tech Ed, and more!
Free to all BC residents.

Secondary Skill Building
Two locations, Tuesday July 12 - Friday July 29 8:30-11:30am OR 12:00-3:00pm. English, English for Beginners, IB Math & Science, Jazz & Concert Band, Science, Home Ec, Sewing, 2D Animation, Tech Ed, Math, Coding (Info Tech), Skills for Success. Free to all BC residents.
These non-credit courses may be taken to review previously covered course content OR preview a course. Academic Completion (to earn a passing mark on a 9/10 course from this year) also available, by referral.

Face-to-Face Advanced Credit OR Online Blended Fast Track
Two locations, Tuesday July 5 - Wednesday August 10 8:00-11:30am OR 12:00-3:30pm. Biology 11.12, Career Life Education 10, Chemistry 11.12, EAL 10.11, English 10.11.12, Mathematics 10.11.12, Physics 11.12, PE 10, Socials 10.11.
Check out the SOYL full day program on our website!

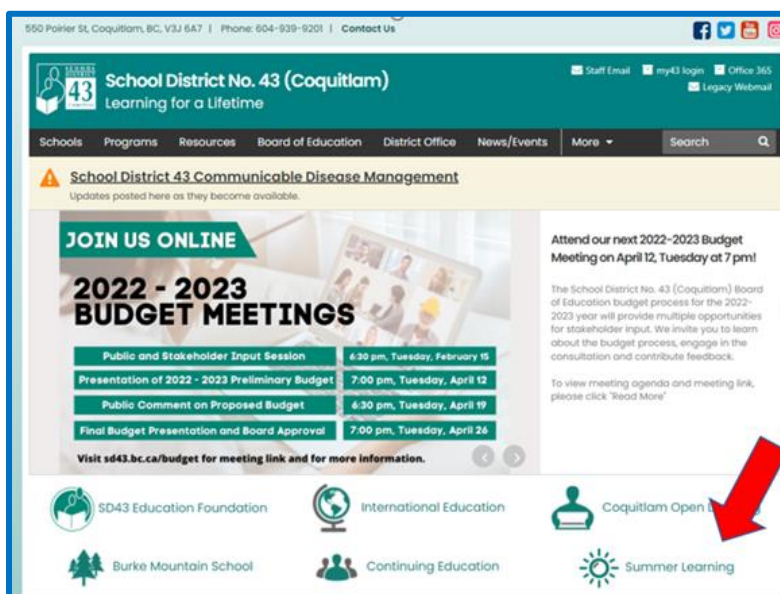
Secondary Full Credit
Register online, starting at 6:00am:
Elementary: Tues. May 3
Middle & Secondary Skill Bldg: Fri. May 6
Secondary Full Credit: Wed. May 11

To Register

FOR MORE INFO VISIT WWW.SD43SUMMERLEARNING.CA

*Courses and locations are subject to change

Summer school registration takes place online through the district website (www.sd43.bc.ca). Registration begins in early May. Dates will be given on the summer school page closer to the end of April. Riverside students planning on registering for summer school are urged to inform their child’s counsellor once registration is complete. Counsellors need to review how summer school choices affect next year’s course selections which have already been made. Students are advised to set up a “summer school account” as soon as possible so that they can sign up for courses as soon as registration begins. More details can be found at: www.sd43.bc.ca



Secondary Academic Completion (“Remedial”)

Secondary Academic Completion courses (formerly known as “Remedial”) are for Grade 9 and 10 students who were unsuccessful (40-49%) during the school year and are being given the opportunity to receive credit (passing grade) for the course by attending Summer Learning.

This will be a face-to-face course, students are expected to attend all classes in person. Registration for Academic Completion courses is by referral only, using a form available from your school counsellor. Referrals are now being accepted until June 24, 2022.

Program Dates: July 12 – 29, 2022

Registration Begins: Registration is by referral only.

Program Times: 8:30am – 11:30am or 12:00pm – 3pm

Location: Charles Best Secondary School
2525 Como Lake Ave, Coquitlam

Advanced Credit (High School Credit)

Advanced Credit (High School Credit) courses are full credit face-to-face courses. Students who complete these courses will receive full credit and their final mark on their transcript.

Please be aware that Advanced Credit courses are rigorous and intense. Completing a full credit course in six weeks requires a serious commitment from the student as classes are three and a half hours long, there is regular homework involved, and daily attendance is a must. Please register only if you are making this commitment.

Program Dates: July 5 – August 10, 2022

(Mon. July 25 is a non-instructional day; Mon., August 1 is the BC Day holiday)

Program times: 8am – 11:30am or 12pm – 3:30pm

Registration Begins: Early May (exact dates TBD)

Locations:

Charles Best Secondary School
2525 Como Lake Ave, Coquitlam

Gleneagle Secondary School
1195 Lansdowne Dr., Coquitlam

Fast track (Online Blended) (Coquitlam Open Learning)

Fast Track courses are offered by Coquitlam Open Learning and follow a blended learning model. This is a hybrid program. Students will attend two in-person classes a week and also learn online. On days when students are not in class, they can access materials online and work, independently or in groups, on course materials.

Registration is open to all school aged students, whether enrolled in SD43 schools or not. Students must be able to attend in-person classes weekly throughout the program. (For remote-only courses, please visit [Coquitlam Open Learning](#)) Adult students are also permitted to register in Fast Track courses.

Note: This program is best suited for students wishing to complete the selected course within a 6-week timeline. There is no textbook deposit for any Fast Track course.

Program Dates: July 5 – August 10, 2022

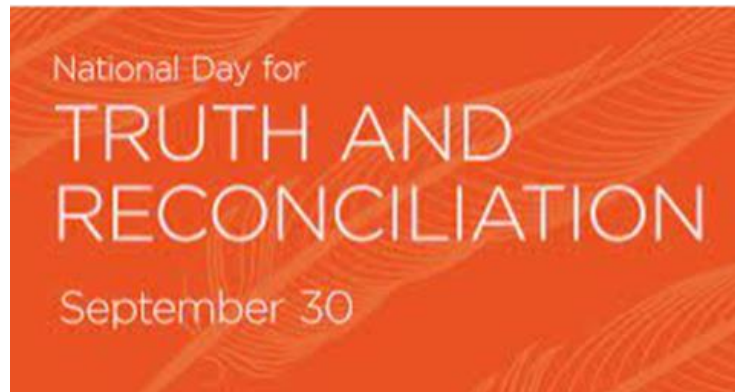
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Truth and Reconciliation Day



The provincial government recently announced that K-12 public schools will observe Friday, September 30th as a statutory holiday in recognition of Truth and Reconciliation Day. As a result of this announcement, SD43 will be amending the 2022-2023 School Calendar to include Truth and Reconciliation Day as a non-instructional day. As such, all school district sites will be closed Friday, September 30, 2022. Students and staff will continue to recognize SD43's commitment to truth and reconciliation with school-based activities and learning during that week, including Orange Shirt Day. Details around activities and observances will be shared in September but in the meantime, it was important to share this change to the school calendar with families as soon as possible.