

# ÉCOLE RIVERSIDE SECONDARY



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## MAY 2023

### IMPORTANT DATES

**May 11** – Grade 11 Parent Volunteer meeting for AfterGrad 2024

**May 17** – PAC Meeting @ 7pm

**May 19** – Pro D (no classes)

**May 22** – Victoria Day (school closed)

**May 23** – Grade 12 Parent Volunteer meeting for AfterGrad 2023

**May 30** – One Act Plays  
River's Edge Theatre

**June 1** – School of Rock -  
Year End Concert

**June 3** – Grad Dinner/Dance &  
Aftergrad

**June 8** – Year End Music Concert

**June 14** – Athletic Banquet

**June 21** – Awards Night

**June 23** – Last Day of Classes

**June 25** – Commencement Ceremony  
at SFU

### *Greetings from the Office & Admin:*

So far, it's been an exciting Spring with some amazing work done by our students, along with some special accomplishments by individuals and teams. Great work everyone, and in this newsletter we are showcasing some examples for you to see. Enjoy!

A special shout-out and thank you to all the teachers, coaches, club sponsors, parent volunteers, community volunteers and everyone else that are tirelessly working for our students both outside and inside our building. Thank you for your amazing contributions to the Riverside Community.

### *For Grade 11 and 12 parent/guardians, we are well underway planning events for this year and next.*

Grade 11's: "AfterGrad 2024" is currently in the planning stages. Yes, the school is once again moving forward with the event! Please read the email we have sent to all families with information about the upcoming meeting on May 11 in the Riverside Library.

Grade 12's: "AfterGrad 2023" is all planned. Now we need volunteers! Parents, please see the email we sent you with info about how to sign up for this year's evening. It will be a great experience for everyone, parents included.

## STUDENT DESIGN ADVISORY GROUP

Congratulations to Aiden Morel for his amazing work and input for the new Burke Mountain middle/secondary school and park. Aiden was on the Student Design Advisory Group. He is pictured with MLA Fin Donnelly and SOA Architect, Justin Dyck. Well Done Aiden!



## RED DRESS DAY – May 5<sup>th</sup>

**RED DRESS EXHIBIT** This week we are observing **Red Dress day**. This is a project done to promote awareness of the ongoing Canadian crisis of Murdered and Missing Indigenous women and girls. The dresses represent a person who has gone missing and are hung in their memory. The colour red is important, as in many indigenous cultures, it is believed to be the only colour seen by the spirit world. The Red Dresses are to call the spirits of Missing and Murdered Indigenous women home. The display will be outside for the week of May 1-7. Please be mindful of the display when in the neighbourhood. If you want to know more, please ask students with “ask me about the **Red Dresses**” buttons.



## ATHLETICS

Riverside Mountain Bikers will be heading to Rossland to ride at the BC High School Mountain Biking Provincials on May 27<sup>th</sup>. This annual event brings riders from all over the Province for the XC and Enduro events. Best of luck to everyone!

## VALEDICTORIAN AND SALUTATORIAN

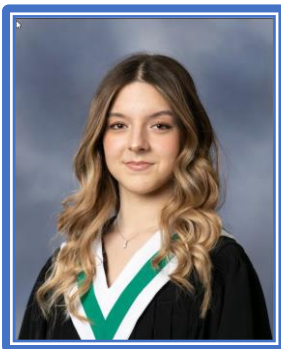
**Your 2023 Valedictorian:**

**George Plesu**

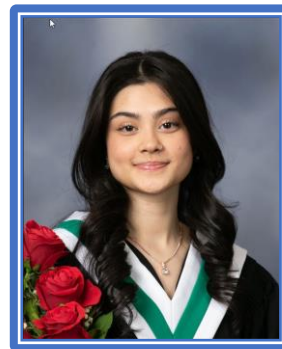


**Your 2023 Salutatorians:**

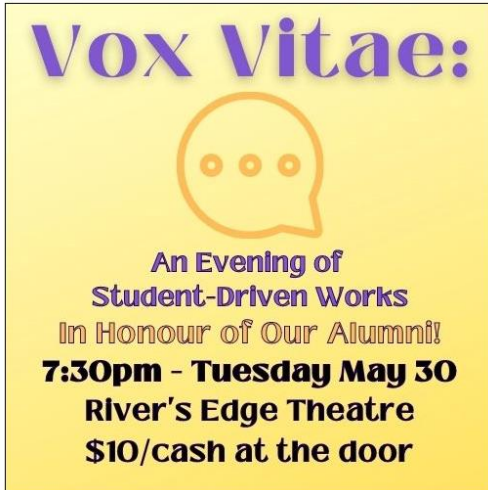
**Monica Tanushev**



**Safa Rasheed**



## DRAMA



Join us in the theatre on Tuesday night, May 30th, for some fantastic one act plays and short films written by and directed by River's Edge Theatre students, featuring student actors and designers!

7:30pm curtain, \$10 at the door.

This event is for everybody, in honour of our alumni: Did you tread the boards on the River's Edge stage? Come on over and reconnect!

## BC STUDENT FILM FESTIVAL

The BCSFF is an event organized by film and media teachers, filmmakers and directors in BC. Submissions are judged by filmmakers and animators have been nominated for the upcoming Gala on May 12<sup>th</sup>.

### ***The Grand Scheme – Narrative Comedy***

A tribute to Wes Anderson, this film explores the manipulation for the class valedictorian at Riverside Secondary School.

by Julia Moore, Brooke Smith, Melissa Wren, Priya Lyn Alexander, Christina Evans, Kiana Jucksch, Braeden Yu, Louwrens Bezuidenhout, Nathan Amin, Lukas Galik, Cole Russell, Sienna Russell, Stephanie Nguyen, Hallie Karaboitis and Madeline Firth.

### ***Dear Barry, Love Honey – Narrative Drama***

A touching story of the beginning and end of a lifelong relationship.

by Priya Lyn Alexander, Lukas Galik and Christina Evans.

### ***Bottled Up - Animation***

It's a hard life for an inch worm in a busy city.  
by Elisabeth Pollock (Grad).

### ***Just a Day at Work - Animation***

An apple shop owner is interrupted by a close encounter with a different kind.  
by Hannah-Belle Paquette Boyd.



## TRADES PROGRAM

The trades program starts next September and one area of focus is on Carpentry. Our students will be constructing some sheds as part of their program. These sheds will be designed to standards and sold for cost to any local community members. This is a great opportunity to work with Riverside students that won't hurt your pocketbook. Reach out and let us know if you're interested. Contact Dave Jones or Dave Romani at [djones@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:djones@sd43.bc.ca) or [dromani@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:dromani@sd43.bc.ca)

## MUSIC



Rock Band Concert – June 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00pm

Year End Music Concert – June 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm

## CAREER CENTRE

- Emily Carr Headstart in Art is accepting applications for their program that will be held at Gleneagle in the evenings during the Fall of 2023. This course will carry degree credit. Apply by May 26<sup>th</sup>. More information on the Career Website.
- Are you looking for volunteer hours or paid work? Go to the Riverside Career Centre website for all of the latest opportunities.



@riversidepostsecondaryadvising

## FUNDRAISERS

Getting a headstart for next year.

Funds raised will go towards our 2024 AfterGrad



### PIZZA NIGHT FUNDRAISER!

Mention **Riverside After Grad**  
when you order for take-out,  
dine-in, or delivery  
on **Wednesday, May 17, 2023**

Me-n-Ed's will donate 20% of the sales back to the school!



Port Coquitlam 604-942-1200

A green and white fundraising poster for Krispy Kreme Doughnuts. It features the Krispy Kreme logo at the top, followed by 'FUNDRAISING' in large red letters. Below that is an image of a doughnut. Three circular callouts provide details: 'Thursday, May 25 @ Lunch and After School in the Foyer', '\$13/box of dozen \$1.50 individual', and 'All payments will be made at time of pick up. Cash or Card Accepted'. At the bottom, it says 'LET'S RAISE SOME DOUGH!' and 'Place your pre-order by filling out Microsoft Form on the Riverside Home Page.'/>

**Krispy Kreme**  
DOUGHNUTS®

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Mmmmm Sweet Sweet Doughnuts!

All proceeds to support Competitive Robotics Club



## MATH CLUB

### Up for the challenge?

The operation  $a \nabla b$  is defined by  $a \nabla b = \frac{a+b}{a-b}$  for all integers  $a$  and  $b$  with  $a \neq b$ .

For example,  $2 \nabla 3 = \frac{2+3}{2-3} = -5$ . If  $3 \nabla b = -4$ , what is the value of  $b$ ?

(A) 5      (B) -7      (C) 7      (D) -5      (E) 3

Join Riverside's  
Math Club!

Room 220



It has been a busy year for the Riverside Math Club! These are students who have signed up to challenge themselves with contests that engage their logic and reasoning skills, along with some pretty high level math thinking. Since September there has been 65, grade 9 - 12 students participate in 11 different contests that range from 45 minute, 30 multiple choice questions to 2 and 3 hour exams with full written solutions. We will be celebrating their involvement in a Math club celebration in June.

### Top performances this year:

Canadian Math Open – Ray Bai

Honorable Mention – Harry Lee

Canadian Senior Mathematics Contest – Tianxiao Lou

Honorable mention: Shiyu Liu and Ben Zavieh

Canadian Intermediate Mathematics Contest – Liz Almeida

Beaver Computing Challenge – Zander Pope and Alexander Sereda

Pascal Math Contest – Alysa Wong

Cayley Math Contest – Eric He

Fermat Math Contest – Harry Lee

Euclid Math Contest – results have not arrived yet

Fryer, Galois, Hypatia results – have not arrived yet

Next year we'll be hosting these same contests and welcome anyone who likes a good challenge to join us for the fun. More information can be found <http://myriverside.sd43.bc.ca/mburton/math-contests/> or by contacting Ms. Burton in Room 220.

## YOUTH ASSEMBLY ON DIGITAL RIGHTS AND SAFETY



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### **OPPORTUNITY FOR 18-YEAR-OLD STUDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN CANADIAN POLICY-MAKING**

*Recruitment is now open and will close on May 12, 2023.*

*We are writing today as we embark on an exciting project to engage youth in a process that brings them to the table on policy making for a safer internet: [The Youth Assembly on Digital Rights and Safety](#).*

#### **The Project**

Led by McGill University's [Centre for Media, Technology and Democracy](#) and citizens' assembly experts [MASSLBP](#), this three-day Youth Assembly on Digital Rights and Safety will directly engage a diverse group of 39 18-year-olds from across Canada, in dialogue with each other, academic experts, and policy makers. The Assembly, which will be held at the Canadian Museum for Human Rights in Winnipeg, Manitoba, aims to determine how young people understand digital rights and what policymakers can do to transform their lived experiences, concerns, and considerations into policy that supports their flourishing online.

#### **Our Request**

We are writing to you to ask for your help in recruiting participants for the Assembly. We are looking to reach 18 year olds from coast to coast to coast that represent Canada's diversity. Anyone interested in volunteering can learn more and sign up at <https://digitalassembly.ca/> or by calling (833) 319 1839

#### **Eligibility**

Anyone living in Canada who will be 18 years old by June 1st, 2023 is eligible to volunteer (generally, grade 12/first year post-secondary).

#### **Selection**

Selection will take place by [civic lottery](#) in order to ensure participants represent the demographics and diversity of Canada. Our aim will be to include representation of: urban, suburban, and rural/Northern communities, youth who identify as Indigenous, members of the LGBTQ2+ community, ethno-cultural minorities, and youth across the gender spectrum.

Please spread the word about this opportunity to your students and communities.

The sign up form and more information can be found at [digitalassembly.ca](https://digitalassembly.ca/).

With gratitude,  
YOUTH ASSEMBLY ON DIGITAL RIGHTS AND SAFETY TEAM  
info@digitalassembly.ca or (833) 319 1839



## SHARE FAMILY COMMUNITY SERVICES PRESENTATION

Jordyn Sinkie and Sabrina Hayward, Health Promotion Facilitators with SHARE's Youth Substance Use Services team would like to invite you to their virtual presentation "How to Talk to Your Youth About Substance Use".

**What is required of me?** Participation can include attending with your camera on and off. Discussion and poll questions will be provided for those who want to interact via the chat or by unmuting their mics.

**What will I learn?** This presentation will include information and a discussion on:

- Philosophy of our program and health promotion in schools
- Adolescent brain development
- Adolescence and substance use
- Adolescence and mental health
- Continuum of use and parenting at various stages
- 7 tips for your approach
- Self-Care
- Resources for further support and learning

YOU ARE INVITED TO

## "HOW TO TALK TO YOUR YOUTH ABOUT SUBSTANCE USE"



Join SHARE's Youth Substance Use Services Program in a virtual presentation around supporting youth on the topic of substances and substance use.

### VIRTUAL ON ZOOM

RSVP via link or QR code here:

June 7th  
6:30-8:00



[Link for June 7th](#)

#### Topics will include:

- Adolescent brain development
- Adolescence and substance use
- Adolescence and mental health
- Continuum of use and parenting at various stages
- 7 tips for your approach
- Self-Care
- Time for Q&A
- Resources for further support and learning



Visit our [website](#) for more resources

## 2023 STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

**SOYL Youth Program** is a 6-week summer leadership and empowerment program offered by Fresh Roots in partnership with school districts. The program empowers secondary students to cultivate and steward schoolyard farms for learning, community building and growing Good Food for All. Through their time with SOYL, youth develop skills in growing, cooking and selling food, as well as a greater connection to themselves, their community and the regional food system. Youth also receive a stipend and can receive school credit for their contributions. Please visit <https://freshroots.ca/soyl/> for more information.



### **Fraser Institute – Student Essay Contest**

Join the conversation, showcase your ideas on public policy, and enter our essay contest for the chance to win the grand cash prize! Winning essays may be published in Fraser Institute journals and authors will have the opportunity to experience the peer review process.

*2023 Essay Contest - What would our Essential Scholars say about the world today?* Unprecedented is a word that has been used repeatedly to describe all aspects of the last two years: global pandemic, centralized

lockdowns, overwhelmed health care facilities, high inflation, revolutionized AI, war in Ukraine, etc. Governments often respond to remarkable moments in history by creating policies they feel would help address the situation. What insight can our Essential Scholars series offer the current situations and events? Relying on the ideas of one of our Essential Scholars, construct an essay that describes a scholar's response, explanation, or rebuttal to a current event. You can use a scholar's economic theory to examine unprecedented situations, propose potential policies that a scholar would have put forward, or suggest how certain existing policies would have been adapted by a particular Essential Scholar.

#### Example Questions:

- What would Milton Friedman argue should be a government's response to inflation?
- In a post-COVID world, what would Jane Jacobs say about the state of our cities?
- How does James Buchanan's thoughts on public choice theory apply to the economic sanctions imposed on Russia following its invasion of Ukraine?
- How can Joseph Schumpeter's concept of creative destruction help us understand the rise and fall of businesses?
- What would one of the Essential Scholars say about Canada's current housing and rent situation?

Learn more about essay contest requirements and submission process by reading our [2023 Contest Rules](#) and [FAQ Student Essay Contest 2023](#).

Visit [www.essentialscholars.org](http://www.essentialscholars.org) to read our Essential Scholars books online and watch the accompanying videos.

**Submission Deadline: June 1, 2023**

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY



Festival organizers are looking for volunteers for this year's festival which will be held June 30<sup>th</sup> to July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023. Students will be provided letters with volunteer hours worked to use towards graduation etc.

#### Positions include:

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| * Greeters   | * Traffic/Parking Controllers |
| * Volunteer Tent   | * Bike Valet                  |
| * Information Tent   | * Floaters                    |
| * Green team (our Environmental team)  | * Mascot                      |
| * Kids Activity with Yukon Dan or Bubble Soccer<br>(individuals 19+ must obtain a clear Police Information Check with Vulnerable Sector Screening) |                               |

If you are interested, sign up on our website [goldenspike.ca/volunteers](http://goldenspike.ca/volunteers)





# Summer Learning

## 2023

### Elementary

Eight locations, Tuesday July 11 - Friday July 28 9:00am-12:00pm. K to 1 transition, English for Beginners, Visual & Performing Arts, French Immersion, Integrated studies, Math, Reading & Writing, Coding (Info Tech), Outdoor Science, STEAM, and more!  
Free to all BC residents\*.

Three locations, Tuesday July 11 - Friday July 28 8:45-11:45am. Band, Guitar, Creative Writing, Drama/Improv, English for Beginners, Guitar, Home Ec/Culinary, Integrated studies, English and French Immersion Language Arts, Mathematics, PE/Leadership, Coding (Info Tech), Outdoor Science, STEAM, Tech Ed, Visual & Performing Arts, and more! Free to all BC residents\*.

### Middle

Two locations, Tuesday July 11 - Friday July 28 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, Metal and Wood 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 9/10 (earn a passing mark) also available, by referral.

### Secondary Skill Building

Two locations, Wednesday July 5 - Thursday 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, 11,12; PHE 10; Socials 10,11.

Check out the SOYL full day program on our website!

### Secondary Full Credit OR Online Blended Fast Track Credit

Registration begins at 6:00am for ...  
- Elementary: Tuesday May 2  
- Middle & Secondary Skill Building: Friday May 5  
- Secondary Full Credit: Wed. May 10  
Phone 604-936-4261 for assistance.  
\*SD43 Residency requirements apply

### To Register

[WWW.SD43SUMMERLEARNING.CA](http://WWW.SD43SUMMERLEARNING.CA) / Phone 604-936-4261

Courses and locations listed above are subject to change

