

# ÉCOLE RIVERSIDE SECONDARY



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## MARCH/APRIL 2024

### UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

Always use our online calendar for the latest Updates.

**March 13** – PAC Meeting

**March 14** – Spring Concert (7- 9pm)

**March 18 – 28** – Spring Break – school closed

**March 29 – April 1** – Easter – school closed

**April 4** – Spring Team Photos

**April 19** – Pro D Day – no school

**May 2** – Red Dress Day

**May 3** – Pro D Day – no school

**May 13-17** – Spirit Week

**May 20** – Victoria Day – school closed

**May 30** – Rock Band Showcase (7-9pm)

**June 1** – Grad Dinner Dance

**June 5** – Math Contest Celebration Night  
(5-8pm)

**June 6** – Year End Music Concert (7-10pm)

**June 13** – EAL-Int'l Grad Closing Celebration

**June 21** – Last Day of Semester 2 classes  
Yearbook distribution

**June 21** – Grade 12 events:

- BBQ (12-12:50pm)
- Cap and Gown Distribution
- Commencement Rehearsal (12-3pm)  
(Attendance Mandatory)

**June 23** – Commencement Ceremony  
(11am – 1:30pm)

**June 26** – FRIM Gr. 12 Grad Celebration

### *A message from the Riverside Office and Administration*

**Attendance Reporting** – If you need to report your child's absences, please use the Absence button on our website which now opens an email on your device that will send a message to [riversideattendance@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:riversideattendance@sd43.bc.ca) . This is the official account to receive absence reports. Thank you for your understanding of this new system.

**Drop off area** – if you drop your child off in the South Parking lot near Pitt River Road, please use only the appropriate parking spots, and do not use the spots designated for those with mobility issues. Wheelchair Accessible Parking Spots MUST be kept free and clear for students to be dropped off and picked up safely. Includes parking spots and curb cuts in all lots – in particular, we are experiencing difficulties with:

- Front entrance lot – parking stall being blocked for the taxi
- South side lot – parking stalls, NO parking zone, and accessible curb ramp being blocked

**Dress Code Reminder** – please consult our Code of Conduct for appropriate clothing for life at Riverside. We consider ourselves a place of work for the students, so let's always practice dressing like it's a workplace. Thank you!

**CONGRATS!** – to our Sr. Girls Basketball team for winning the Silver Medal out of all the AAAA basketball teams in the entire province. An amazing achievement, that the entire school is proud of. Well done, team!

Wishing everyone a safe and restful Spring Break!

Warm regards,  
-- The Riverside Admin



## **MINISTRY OF EDUCATION SURVEY FOR PARENTS OF STUDENTS IN GRADES 10 and 12**

During the months of January to April, School District #43 is participating in the 2024 Ministry of Education Electronic Anonymous Student Learning Survey Project in cooperation with all other school districts throughout the Province.

Parents/Guardians/Caregivers can complete the Online Anonymous Student Learning Survey **any time before 11:59 pm April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024**, providing immediate results to the school and the district.

### **For 2024:**

- **Students in Grades 10 and 12 complete the survey,**
- **Parents/Guardians/Caregivers of Grade 10 and 12 Students complete the survey, and**
- **all Staff associated with a School complete the survey.**

### **To complete the survey:**

1. Use any computer that has an up-to-date internet browser access at home, work, or school.
2. Go to [Student Learning Survey](#)
3. Under the section *Direct Access – no logon number required* select:
  - District: SD43 Coquitlam
  - School: Ecole Riverside Secondary
  - Language: the language of your choice
4. Complete the survey by clicking on the appropriate circle to answer each question. Move to the next set of questions by clicking on the right arrow in the bottom right corner of the screen. Click on the left arrow to navigate backwards.
5. When you are finished the survey, you will get a message “Thank you for sharing your views”.

Thank you for participating in this innovative project. For more information please follow the link [Survey Information](#) .

## **ATHLETICS**

### **Hello Riverside Athletes!**

Thank you for participating in the recent Sport Team Group photos this past Fall and Winter.

Below is a link to view your proofs:

**Visit Gallery Link:** <https://vando.imagequix.com/N9X659C>

**Your Online Codes are the numbers listed below that are beside the team name that you are on:**

- Cross Country Running: **1157131372**
- Field Hockey- Girls: **2103005475**
- Grade 9 Girls Volleyball: **1915573660**
- Jr Boys Soccer: **1860904661**
- Jr Boys Volleyball: **1089725421**
- Jr Girls Volleyball: **1127939072**
- Sr Boys Soccer: **1210237843**
- Sr Boys Volleyball: **1642016765**
- Sr Girls Volleyball: **2051569669**

Questions?

Please email [orders@gradsbc.com](mailto:orders@gradsbc.com) or call 604-461-3722 Monday to Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm.

## Coquitlam Secondary School Athletic Association

For updates on sporting events, team results and upcoming games/matches occurring around SD43, please follow the Coquitlam Secondary School Athletic Association on Instagram @cssaasd3.

### GOLF TEAM

Thank you to



for sponsoring the  
**Riverside Rapids 2024 Golf Team**



**Coquitlam Secondary School  
Athletic Association**

*For secondary sport updates and information...*



**@cssaasd43**

### INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING?

Hazel Trembath Elementary School is looking for student volunteers. Their Fun Fair will take place at Castle Park Elementary School on Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup>. If interested, please complete the volunteer form included in the link below.

Google Forms for Volunteers:

<https://forms.gle/1WX4Duf6UtcTP9vq8>

## CHES CLUB

Congratulations to Warren Boone, Harry Lee, Aaron Chiu, Anton Bielousov and Ben Seyedahmady Zavieh for placing FIRST at the District Chess Tournament. Best of luck in your move to the Provincials.



## GRAD CLASS OF 2024:

### Grade 12 students:

See Ms. David's website (Riverside homepage > Programs and Services > Career Centre: [Welcome to the Riverside Career Centre! - École Riverside Secondary School \(sd43.bc.ca\)](https://www.sd43.bc.ca)) and IG account @riversidepostsecondaryadvising for more information about post-secondary, scholarships, volunteer opportunities, job opportunities and more.



### Valedictorian and Toastmaster Timeline

- **Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024** - Valedictorian/Toastmaster Deadline  
(This is the day that interested students hand in their form.)
- Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 - Valedictorian Nomination Videos are due  
Process: 1 minute video must be sent to Mr. Schoenhals. The videos will be posted on Instagram
- Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024- Valedictorian/Toastmaster Speeches  
Process: Students present their 1:30 minute speech to their peers  
Where: Cafeteria  
When: During Stream (Extended Stream)
- Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024 - Vote conducted on Microsoft Forms.  
The vote will be announced in the afternoon.

## CAREER CENTRE

The 2024 Riverside Scholarship package is now available on the [Career Website](#). Deadline to apply is April 12<sup>th</sup> 9:00am.

**Interested in becoming a Police Officer?** There will be an information session presented by RCMP Recruitment Officer, David Hunt, on April 8<sup>th</sup> in the Library at lunch. All grades welcome.

### **Camp Ignite - August 8-11<sup>th</sup>**

A youth firefighting mentorship program for Grade 11 and 12 girls.

Applications are available on the Career Website. Deadline to apply: May 1<sup>st</sup>



### **New Westminster Student Police Academy – July 8-12<sup>th</sup>**

The New Westminster Police Department is looking for **students aged 16-18 who have a desire to learn about a career in policing**. The Student Police Academy is a week-long program designed to provide students with an unforgettable and educational experience in law enforcement.

Applications will be made available soon. Please check the Career Website for more details.

### **SD43 Trades Programs**

Interested in learning about the Skilled Trades Training available to SD43 students? Check out the [SD43 Career and Trades website](#) for more information.

## TRADES PROGRAM

The Trades program is looking for donations for its plumbing unit. We are interested in:

- All kinds of piping
- Shower heads
- Sink with faucet
- Toilets

Any support that you could provide would be greatly appreciated. Please contact [dromani@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:dromani@sd43.bc.ca) should you support this cause or just require further clarification.



Cat & Fiddle Pub Night – Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup>

SAVE THE DATE! More details to follow.

**Riverside Senior Secondary pub night**  
12PM - 9PM Friday, April 12, 2024 \$30 youth \$20

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**RIVERSIDE AFTER GRAD 2024**  
Pub Night Fundraiser  
12-9PM FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 2024  
**SAMPLE**  
Tickets: \$50

NO RESERVED SEATING/GRATUITY NOT INCLUDED  
1979 Brown Street, P.O. 604-941-8822 www.catandfiddlepub.ca



Table #	Name of guest	CHOOSE 1 DRINK
	<b>CHOOSE 1 BURGER</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> SLEEVE OF BEER
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEEF	<input type="checkbox"/> HIGHBALL
	<input type="checkbox"/> CHICKEN	<input type="checkbox"/> POP
	<input type="checkbox"/> VEGGIE	<input type="checkbox"/> GLASS OF WINE
	Would you like bacon and/or cheddar on your burger?	
	<input type="checkbox"/> BACON	Add GRAVY?
	<input type="checkbox"/> CHEDDAR	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1.50
	<small>All burgers are served with skin on fries or our house salad (lettuce, cheese, tomato, cucumber, carrot, pineapple, onion, hot and house vinaigrette)</small>	
	For an additional charge you can add any toppings you desire or upgrade your side.	

**THE TRI-CITIES ENCHANTMENT PROJECT – Dress Donations Request**

All students should have the opportunity to attend their grad celebration feeling confident, beautiful, and excited about their special night regardless of their family finances or circumstances. In School District 43, the Enchantment Project provides an opportunity for any student who requires financial support to find a dress.

Our program accepts gently used grad gowns, and we are currently in need of dress sizes between 12-22+. If you are interested in donating to the Tri-Cities Enchantment Project, please contact the Youth Worker at your local high school, or drop off at CAFE, Terry Fox or Pinetree Secondary (attention EP/Youth Worker).

The Tri-Cities Enchantment Project committee thanks you for your generosity.

Riverside Youth Worker – Monica Brochu [mbrochu@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:mbrochu@sd43.bc.ca)



# Summer Learning 2024

## Elementary

Eight locations, Tuesday July 9 - Friday July 26 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\*.

## Middle

Three locations, Tuesday July 9 - Friday July 26 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\*.

Two locations, Tuesday July 9 - Friday July 26 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

Face-to-Face Advanced Credit OR Online Blended Fast Track  
Two locations, Wednesday July 3 - Thursday August 8 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

## Secondary Full Credit

## To Register

Registration begins at 6:00am for ...  
- Elementary: Tuesday April 30  
- Middle & Secondary Skill Building: Friday May 3  
- Secondary Full Credit: Wed. May 8  
Phone 604-936-4261 for assistance.  
\*SD43 Residency requirements apply

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

Courses and locations listed above are subject to change





## **FREE INFORMATION SESSION – How to Co-exist Safely with Coyotes**

Sign up to attend a free information session to learn how to co-exist safely with urban coyotes.

Coquitlam is collaborating with the Stanley Park Ecology Society for the second year to provide information on common misconceptions about urban coyotes, as well as tips to help keep your family and pets safe.

### **Register to attend our free information session**

Coyote breeding season is underway now through April, which means they will be more active as they secure and protect territory. Residents may hear coyotes howling and yipping more often as they communicate with each other and establish their territories and may even come across coyotes while the animals are active and seeking mates.

Minimizing conflicts between coyotes, humans, and pets is important in protecting the safety of our community, and our urban wildlife. Coyotes have a vital role to play in the urban ecosystem as they help control the population of rodents and other wildlife.

Presented by Dezirae Barreto from the Stanley Park Ecology Society, each one-hour session will provide information about coyote breeding season, common misconceptions about urban coyotes, what to do if you encounter a coyote, and ways to manage attractants. All ages are welcome to attend.

Details at [coquitlam.ca/UrbanWildlife](https://coquitlam.ca/UrbanWildlife) and register by email at: [UrbanWildlife@coquitlam.ca](mailto:UrbanWildlife@coquitlam.ca).

- **Date:** Saturday, March 16
- **Time:** 1-2pm
- **Location:** Room 2/3 at Poirier Sport & Leisure Complex, 633 Poirier Street

### **About the Stanley Park Ecology Society**

[Stanley Park Ecology Society](#) – a registered charity since 1988 – began as the Stanley Park Zoological Society. Following the closure of the Park's petting zoo in 1995, the society revised its name but continued with its aims of education, conservation, and outreach programs.

## HEALTHY SCHOOLS

### Protect children from respiratory illnesses this winter

Respiratory illnesses tend to increase as we spend more time indoors. Common colds, the flu and COVID-19 spread through tiny droplets as people who are sick breathe, talk, cough or sneeze. When other people touch these droplets and then their eyes, mouth, or nose before washing their hands they may become sick.

There are a handful of steps both children and adults can take to protect themselves and limit the spread of respiratory illnesses:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water. Use alcohol-based sanitizer if soap and water is not available.
- Avoid touching your face, especially your eyes, mouth, and nose.
- Cough and sneeze into your elbow.
- If you have symptoms, stay home, and stay away from people at higher risk of serious illness.

### Flu and COVID-19 Vaccinations

The best way to protect others and reduce the risk of getting sick with the flu and COVID-19 is to [get immunized](#). The flu and COVID-19 vaccines are safe, effective, and available for free to anyone aged six months and older.

It is much safer to get the vaccines than to get the illnesses. Register your children with the Get Vaccinated system so that you can be invited to book their vaccinations when they are due.

Learn more here: <https://ow.ly/5WWe50PYIYC>

**For more information on Immunizations in BC consult: [Immunizations - Province of British Columbia \(gov.bc.ca\)](#)**

[Click HERE](#) for Information from Fraser Health on the MMR Vaccine

