

1. The School District No. 43 (Coquitlam) **Board of Education budget process for the 2018-2019** takes place during April with several opportunities for public input from April 10 to April 24, 2018. To learn more visit www.sd43.bc.ca/budget

2. On March 20, **Port Moody Secondary student Hunter Lang**, among twelve athletes, received the [2017 Premier's Award for Aboriginal Youth Excellence in Sport](#). The awards honour Aboriginal athletes under 25 years of age who have achieved excellence in sport, are regarded for their leadership qualities, committed to a higher education, and recognized as community role models.



3. On March 15, **Grade 7 students from Scott Creek Middle school** enjoyed an educational tour of the Parliament Buildings in Victoria.



4. Congratulations to **Gleneagle's Physics Olympics Team** for their success at the 40th Annual UBC Physics Olympics Competition held on Saturday, March 10. The team had an outstanding performance in the ballistics launching event, earning the gold medal! Heritage Woods and Port Moody Secondary also had teams competing at the event.

5. **Heritage Woods Secondary's Robotics Team** was thrilled to make it into the playoff round at the Canadian Pacific Regional First Robotics Canada competition in Victoria, March 13-16. High-school students teamed up with technology companies to build 5-foot tall, 140 pound robots that competed in high intensity robo-sports.

6. After winning [the Battle of the Bands competition](#), **Port Moody Secondary's Bukola Balogun** won \$25,000 in scholarships, plus tickets to the Juno Awards in Vancouver on March 25. Balogun also performed at the Juno Awards week event "Let's Hear It! LIVE" on March 24 at the Vancouver Art Gallery, along with students from Terry Fox Secondary and Maillard Middle School in the [MusiCounts StarBand](#).



7. The song "**My Name Is Amanda Todd**", written by **Jocelyn Morlock**, won a JUNO award [for best classical composition](#). While the composition is a tribute to Todd, Morlock said it's also a nod to her mother's work with the [Amanda Todd Legacy Society](#), a charity that aims to spread awareness about mental health (recently, Carol Todd was recognized as a Women of Worth by L'Oreal Paris, in Toronto, and her non-profit group received \$10,000).

8. **Terry Fox Secondary's Raine Graham** has won the BC Provincial Scriptwriting Competition for her play "Backstage" and has been invited to attend the BC Provincial Drama Festival this April 26 to 28.

9. **In 2017 SD43 schools raised \$166,176 for The Terry Fox Foundation** totalling almost \$3.1 million over the years! Registration is on now for the 2018 run.

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10. **Terry Fox Secondary's "Power of Ideas 2"** will feature interactive exhibits from rocketry to chemistry, open to the public on April 11 from 4 to 8 p.m.

11. Plenty of SD43 success stories from the courts and the turf including:

- Centennial Secondary's boys curling team won the Fraser Valley Championships. They went on to place 4th in the Provincials and were voted most sportsman like team by their peers!
- Riverside Secondary's girls' curling team also won the Fraser Valley Championships and finished 2nd at the Provincials.
- PMSS Senior Competitive Hip Hop Team placed 5th at the 2018 Notorious Dance Competition at McRoberts Secondary in Richmond. They had an awesome emotional performance that resonated really well with the judges. Give them a high five when you see them around the school!
- Congratulations to all the SD43 student-wrestlers that competed in [the BC High School Wrestling Championships](#) this past weekend in Port Alberni!
 - Top individual results:
 - Pinetree Secondary: Kye Mills won first place (Male 54kg), Daniel Chernetski finished 2nd (Male 63kg), Harry Valdes finished 3rd (Male 60kg)
 - Riverside Secondary: Both Ryann McCready (Female 57kg) and Keisha Nagorr (Female 75kg) finished 2nd.
 - Dr. Charles Best Secondary: Alex Darts (Female 60kg) finished 2nd.
 - Centennial Secondary: Lauren Kazak finished third (Female 90kg)
 - Overall team results:
 - Boys: Pinetree Secondary finished 6th
 - Girls: Riverside Secondary finished 9th and Centennial Secondary finished 10th.
- Minnekhada Grade 8 girls and Scott Creek Grade 8 boys won the district basketball championships.
- AAA Basketball: Riverside senior girls finished 6th, Heritage Woods, 13th. Riverside jr girls placed 9th at Provincials.
- AAAA Basketball: Terry Fox Ravens boys finished 11th at the BC High School Provincial Championship



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