

# Dr. Charles Best Secondary Newsletter

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*Our school goal is to develop a culture of connectedness and belonging within the school, among school staff, students, and our parent community, in order to enhance opportunities for collaborative partnerships.*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup>

PAC meeting 7:30 Zoom

Purdy's order pick-up 3-4 pm Best Café

### Friday, April 15 -18<sup>th</sup>

Easter weekend – Happy Easter!

### Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>

School back in session

### Wednesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>

Valedictorian Speeches Available online

### Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup>

Midterm Report Cards

### Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>

PRO-D School not in session

### Wednesday April 27<sup>th</sup> – Friday Apr 29<sup>th</sup>

Grad Assessments, CLC Capstone Presentations

### Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>

Grad Dinner Dance Tickets on Sale

### Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup>

Frankenstein 1930 – opening night 7:30

### Wednesday, May 11<sup>th</sup>

Senior Sail 4:30 pm at Best for Bus

### Wednesday, June 8<sup>th</sup>

Commencement Rehearsal Period 5 (Mandatory)

### Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup>

Grad Dinner Dance (Fairmount Waterfront)

AfterGrad

### Wednesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>

Commencement SFU - 6 pm

### Tuesday, June 28<sup>th</sup>

French Immersion Leaving Ceremony 2-3 pm

## Dear Dr. Charles Best Community,

In order to address a number of graduation and general education requirements, Dr Charles Best Secondary will be adjusting student schedules for **April 27, 28 and 29**. There will be **no regularly scheduled** classes on these dates. Instead, please note the following educational events happening:

Grade 9's	Please book and attend a tutorial/ interview time for your <b>Digital Literacy Project</b> according to the type of project you select. This is a robust task that will require several days to prepare. Use your time wisely (AM means 9:00 am- 11:30 am; PM means 12:30 -3:00 pm) <b>April 27th</b> AM <b>Podcasts</b> Room 606 <b>Microbits</b> Room 603 PM <b>3-Printing</b> Room 603 and 606 <b>April 28th</b> AM <b>Data Journalism</b> - 603/606 PM <b>Video</b> -603,606 and 602 <b>April 29th</b> <b>Project completion day</b> to completed project. Students may work at school or home Students who have outstanding assignments or who need additional help should contact appropriate teachers and use this time to get caught up.
Grade 10's	All students who took Math 10 in Semester I will write the <b>Provincial Numeracy 10 Assessment</b> . Specific times and room allocations will be shared next week.  All Grade 10s, especially those taking math this semester (and thus, <u>not</u> scheduled for exams in April) should use this time to <b>get extra help, complete current or overdue assignments</b> , etc.
Grade 11's	All students who missed the <b>Numeracy 10 Assessment</b> last year should be registered to write it Apr 27, 28 or 29 (schedule will be posted next week) With no regular classes in session, this is the time to <b>complete overdue work, come in for extra help, catch up on assignments</b> .  Teachers are also encouraged to assign independent or group work for students to do from home on these days as well.
Grade 12's	All Grade 12's expecting to graduate with a Dogwood diploma must write the <b>Literacy 12 assessment</b> . Draft schedule below. Please be prepared for a few minor changes as we accommodate technology and room allocation needs.  <b>Capstone presentations</b> are scheduled for these days. In most cases, students will present on a different date than they are registered to write the Literacy 12 Assessment. Check out your Teams site for details.

## IMPORTANT GRADUATION INFORMATION 2022

All Grade 12's in the Province are required to write the Literacy 12 Assessment in order to graduate.

With consideration of the January exam session being cancelled by the Ministry, we have scheduled every eligible grade 12 to write this mandatory assessment between April 27 and 29<sup>th</sup> according to the following alphabetical arrangement:

	Lab 1 -Room 208	Lab 2 Room 213	Lab 3 – Room 216
Wed Apr 27 at 8:15	Abe, K.-Brian, J	Brodt, L. – Chisholm, C	Chong, K.- Di Paola, J.
Wed. Apr 27 at 12:15	Dixon, E. – Gibb, S.	Gibney, Z.- Hayman, C.	Head, R. – Ju, O.
Thu Apr 28 at 8:15	Kachchakaduge, R. - Lee, C	Lee, E. – Marban, T.	Marinkovic, T. – Ngo, L.
Thu Apr 28 at 12:15	Nguyen, D. – Peterson, K.	Pham, E. – Schmid, B.	Schoutens, A. – Thompson, B.
Fri. Apr 29 at 8:15	Tindle, A. – Wilson, M.	Wingrove, E. – Zhu, A.	

While it is possible that minor adjustments will need to be made to this initial schedule (due to technical or Ministry requirements), your child should be prepared to write the exam according to this schedule. Individual preferences can not be accommodated.

Note that there will also be a June exam session for those who wish to re-write this assessment or for those unable to attend this session due to illness. We do not recommend postponing for non-essential reasons as students risk delaying their graduation status by waiting until June to complete this requirement.

Please note, this Provincial Assessment **is in addition** to the Capstone presentations - another graduation requirement - being scheduled on these same three dates. Your child's CLC teacher will have more information.



### **Be Bear Aware!**

On Thursday we received reports of a bear sighting at the back of the property behind the portables. We want to remind students that if they spot a bear in the distance, do not approach the bear, and make a wide detour around its area, or head in the opposite direction. Do not run, but slowly back away until out of sight and then report to the office. Students should also travel in groups whenever they can. If we encounter a wild animal that may impact the school, we will move to a "Shelter in Place" situation where normal activities within the school continue and any students who are outside would be brought into the building and remain indoors.

## GRAD FRIENDSHIP PHOTOS – April 12<sup>th</sup> - Attachment

### **Grad Friendship Photos for Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> 3:30-8pm! Booking open.**

Only 1 booking per group is necessary so one person in the group will be responsible for booking the appointment and distributing one 4X6 photo to each student in the party. Photos will be delivered back to the school in 2-3 weeks after the sitting. Cost for each student in the photo is \$2 students are to bring CASH at the time of the photo. If a student is in multiple groups they will be required to pay \$2 for each grouping. All the money collected will be donated back to the grad class and put towards Dr. Charles Best Grad 2022 Celebrations!

## SENIOR SAIL

Tickets on sale now! Limited number available on the school website, [Click here](#) to purchase.



## PURDY'S ORDER PICKUP

Please pick up your prepaid orders on Monday April 11, 2022 between 3 – 4 pm outside the Cafeteria doors.

## GRAD 2023 SPRING FLOWER FUNDRAISER – Attachment

Funds raised will go towards reducing the cost of the Graduation 2023 Dinner & Dance.

Sales Deadline: Tuesday, April 19, 2022, at 12:00PM

Exact Delivery Date: TBD

Link: <https://charlesbestgrad2023.growingsmilesfundraising.com>

For more info contact: [bestgrad2023@gmail.com](mailto:bestgrad2023@gmail.com)



## [DR. CHARLES BEST SECONDARY PRESENTS – FRANKENSTEIN 1930](#)

The Best Players are back and rehearsing for our first performance in over two years. *Frankenstein 1930* by Fred Carmichael is a chilling adaptation of the Mary Shelly classic. The play harkens back to a time when monsters existed in people's imaginations. This genre thriller/ comedy is packed with the right balance of screams and laughs and brings me back to a time when I used to dim the lights and settle in with a group of friends to scare ourselves silly watching monster movies. Not to brag, but our talented cast is bringing it to life quite believably. Audiences will love it like a Friday night late show. It is frightening, funny and campy and you won't want to miss it. *Frankenstein 1930* opens **Thursday opens May 5<sup>th</sup>, running May 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, and 14<sup>th</sup>**. Directed by Brad Case, tickets prices will be \$12.00 for adults and \$10.00 for seniors and students. Box office opens at 6:45 PM with doors at 7:00 PM and curtain at 7:30 PM.



## [STUDENT LEARNING SURVEY 2021/2022](#)

The Provincial Student Learning Survey is unique in its scope, size and usefulness to schools. It gathers information from parents/guardians/caregivers, teachers, and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective.

During the months of February to April, School District 43, Coquitlam is participating in the 2022 Ministry of Education Electronic Anonymous Student Learning Survey Project in cooperation with all other school districts throughout the province.

**Parents/Guardians/Caregivers** of grade 10 AND 12 students can complete the online Anonymous Student Learning Surveys **any time before 11:59 pm April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022**, providing immediate results to the school and the district.

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

1. Go to any computer that has an up-to-date internet browser access at home, work, or school.
2. Go to [www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat\\_survey/access.htm](http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey/access.htm)
3. Under the section *Direct Access – no logon number required* select:
  - District: Coquitlam (#43)
  - School: Dr Charles Best
  - 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".
6. Once complete, your school will have the results immediately.

Thank you for participating in this innovative project. If you need more information or would like to see the results for the district or your school, consult with your school.

## [ELECTRONIC WASTE COLLECTION: -Attachment](#)

Don't know what to do with electronic waste sitting at home, taking up space? Here is your chance to get rid of it, make sure it is recycled properly and also help a school district 43 student with a chance to win a scholarship. **From Monday April 11<sup>th</sup> – Friday April 29<sup>th</sup> there will be a bin located on the left side of the front entrance. Please check the list of accepted items and carefully bag or box all items before placing in the bin.** Thank you for your participation with this recycling endeavor.



## [SUMMER LEARNING 2022 – Attachment](#)

Registration for Secondary Full Credit courses is May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022

## **JOB OPPORTUNITIES with 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 Clericals      Casual Cooks      Noon Hour Supervisors  
Temporary Speech Pathologist (full time)

# NOW HIRING

View current job opportunities at  
[sd43.bc.ca/careers](https://sd43.bc.ca/careers)

### **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.

### **PAC CORNER:**

**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR PAC EXEC POSITIONS** - The Executive members of the Dr Charles Best Parent Advisory Council (PAC) are looking for more parents to get involved in the PAC and consider joining the executive for the 2022/2023 school year. There are still several opportunities before the end of this school year to join a general PAC meeting and find out all the amazing things that the PAC is doing in the school community. All parents and caregivers of Dr Charles Best students are automatically members of the PAC, and we encourage everyone to participate! Even just attending one of our meetings gives you a chance to learn about what's going on at Dr Charles Best and to voice your opinion on some major issues. There will be a PAC Annual General Meeting in June and during this meeting, the PAC executive for the school year 2022/2023 will be elected. All positions are open for nominees to give all new members an opportunity to participate. Please see the [attachment](#) for a detailed description of the roles and responsibilities of each position.

### **MEETINGS:**

**Topic: Dr. Charles Best PAC General Meeting**

**Time: Apr 11, 2022 07:30 PM Vancouver**

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83893564150>

Meeting ID: 838 9356 4150

**Topic: Best Grad 2023 Parent Committee**

**Time: Apr 25, 2022 07:30 PM Vancouver**

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81028662743>

Meeting ID: 810 2866 2743

**Topic: AfterGrad 2022 Meeting**

**Time: Apr 27, 2022 07:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)**

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6747787358?pwd=eU1KY1JCYnVEEd3JRcnQ3RTQ0NTZJUT09>

Meeting ID: 674 778 7358

Passcode: grad2022



**BEST GRAD 2022 Return-It Depot** - There is ONE EASY WAY (at all local Return-It Depots), to donate your refundable bottles & cans to benefit the Best Grad 2022 class:

- Visit any of the local Return-It Express locations: Barnet Hwy & Falcon Dr. / Blue Mountain & Ridgeway / Caribou Shopping Plaza, N. Road / Lougheed Hwy across from IKEA
- Ensure your returnables are in CLEAR PLASTIC BAG(s).
- At the kiosk, enter account/phone # "604-313-2056" (for Bg2022) and print the required number of labels.
- Stick labels on bags, leave them to be sorted & counted. THANK YOU for your support!

## POST SECONDARY

### CAREERS AND TRADES APRIL NEWSLETTER – Attachment

Attached is the April Edition of the Careers & Trades Program Newsletter. This month we will be celebrating Diversity in Trades and are proud to introduce our spotlight student Cameron Ballard. Cameron is a 2020 Heritage Woods grad who completed the SD43 Electricians Program. In his video, Cameron speaks about his learning disability and how trades change his perspective on education.

### ALSO IN THIS MONTH'S EDITION:

- Parent Testimonial- Why parents should be supportive of trades
- General Info & Events
- ACCESS BC- Micro Sampler for Indigenous students in trades
- Upcoming Women in Trades events
- 2022 Junior Firefighters Program news article & highlights
- 2022 WORK in trades award winners

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Check out the [Career Centre website > Employment & Volunteering](#) for a long list of local organizations currently looking for motivated high school students. Here are just a few examples:

- Port Moody Farmers Market, running Sundays 10 am – 2 pm
- SFU Summer Camps: Apply by April 24<sup>th</sup>
- Pedalheads Bike Camps, multiple local locations. Apply by May 1

### **YMCA Summer Work Student Exchange (SWSE)**

This national exchange program will allow 16- and 17-year-old Canadians to spend six weeks this summer to an area of Canada where your second official language is spoken. Students will work full time with a community-based non-profit organization (paid), stay with a host family and participate in organized program activities. Cost is \$125 and covers travel to/ from the host community and expenses related to the planned activities. Host families will be providing food for three meals/ day. Register for an upcoming info night: [Fri, April 1 @ 7 pm](#), or [Wed, April 13 @ 7 pm](#). [Apply here](#) by April 17.

### **EMILY CARR: HEADSTART IN ART PROGRAM**

SD43 students with a keen interest in art who are currently in Grades 11 or 12 are invited to apply to next school year's Headstart in Arts program. The program will be running at Gleneagle Secondary, Tuesdays 6-9 pm, September 13 – December 13, 2022. Taught by an Emily Carr instructor, the "Foundation Drawing Studio" course will carry degree credit at ECUAD and transfer credit to other Fine Arts program (but not High School credits). Space is strictly limited to 18 students following a first qualified/ first accepted policy. Students are responsible for their tuition and art kit fees. Apply ASAP, but not later than May 5. [More info here](#).

### **SCIENCE WORLD - FUTURE SCIENCE LEADERS**

Future Science Leaders (FSL) presented by Acuitas is an after-school science enrichment program for teens designed to unleash creative potential and build a life-long network of like-minded peers while engaging curious minds with the nature of STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art & design, and math) in sessions led by diverse experts and professionals. Cost is \$500, but financial assistance is available for those who need it. Participants can attend at either the Vancouver location (Science World), or in Surrey.

**Must be in Grade 10 or 11 in September 2022.** [More info here](#).

### **University of Toronto: Prospective Students Events**

Calling all Grade 11 students who are hoping to apply for UofT. They always encourage BC students to apply by November, so now is a great time to start looking into this.

- Monday, April 11 at 5 pm Pacific Time (virtual). [Register here](#).
- Sunday, April 24, 9.30 am – 12 pm In-Person at the Fairmont Hotel Vancouver. [Register here](#).
- Monday, April 25 at 5 pm Pacific Time (virtual). [Register here](#).

### **Douglas College Info Nights**

Tue, April 19 & Thu, April 21, 5 pm. Program session vary with date. Virtual. [Register here.](#)

### **Vancouver Community College Virtual Open House**

April 20 & 21. Check out the schedule of events and [register here.](#)

### **KPU Trades Info Sessions**

- Millwright: Tue, Apr 12, 2022 - 5:30 PM. [Register](#)
- Appliance Service Technician: Thu, Apr 14, 2022 - 5:30 PM. [Register here](#)
- Electrical Programs: Thu, Apr 21, 2022 - 5:30 PM. [Register](#)
- Carpentry: Tue, Apr 26, 2022 - 5:30 PM [Register](#)

### **BCIT Airport Operations Programs**

Info Session. Wed, April 20, 5:00 pm. [Register here.](#)

### **Education USA Virtual Fair**

Speak one-on-one with admissions representatives from 43 different states, representing diverse higher education institutions including art institutes, research universities, liberal arts colleges, and more! You will also be able to attend presentations by and meet representatives from the NCAA and NAIA athletic organizations. April 21, 2022, 2:00 am-6:00 pm. [REGISTER HERE](#)

### **[OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL](#)**

#### **Camp Ignite**

Camp Ignite is a four-day overnight camp (starting in the afternoon of Aug 4th) consisting of three full days of firefighting activities at assorted locations in the lower mainland. The camp is open to **girls in grades 11-12** (ages 15-18 ) living in British Columbia. The camp offers an introduction to the exciting world of firefighting. All participants are sponsored by their local fire departments, but parents are responsible for transportation to/ from the camp. Complete [Camp Ignite Participant Application Form](#) and email to [info@campignite.com](mailto:info@campignite.com) by June 1st, 2022.

#### **MICRO TRADES SAMPLER FOR INDIGENOUS YOUTH**

SD43 with support of ACCESS BC will be running a 6-day micro-experience for **Indigenous students** , grades 9-12, who are interested in trying trades! This opportunity is an introductory experience , where students will get to learn in a supportive and risk-free environment. No prior experience in trades or tech classes are required. Students will be introduced to Carpentry, CNC machining, Landscaping and Cooking. They will also get lunch and/or breakfast at each session, a tour of BCIT and over \$250 worth of personal protective gear and equipment that they get to keep upon completion of the program. Please note that you will be missing school on the event days. [SIGN UP HERE.](#) Deadline is Wed, April 20.

#### **SFU STEM SPEAKER SERIES: ROBOTICS**

Date: Apr 16, 2022 (Saturday), 1:00-2:00 pm. [Register here](#)

#### **Volunteer & Employment Opportunities**

Check out the [Career Centre website](#) or team for a long list of recently updated volunteer opportunities. Youth In Action Project with CVC is looking for long-term volunteers who are interested in obtaining leadership skills and doing project-based work. SFU camps, Pedalheads (biking) and Royal Soccer Club are still looking for volunteers for their summer camps. ScotFest! DumplingFest! Golden Spike Festival! Vancouver Children's Festival. Glam up your resume by getting involved in your community. Pedalheads Bike Camps and Royal Soccer Club Summer Camps are also actively looking to hire instructors/ camp counsellors for this Summer! Must be 16+.

### **[SCHOLARSHIPS](#)**

#### **Charlene Reaveley Bursary**

\$1,000 scholarships are available for students who have experienced the loss of a parent or sibling. Must be involved in the community/ volunteering, good academic standing, and intention to pursue post-secondary studies. [Apply by April 15.](#)

#### **Future Aces Scholarships**

\$1,000 scholarships are available to students who are contributing to society by having exhibited good citizenship through community service, character-building initiatives and/or by participating in humanitarian causes. Deadline extended to April 18. [Apply here.](#)