



THE "BEST" INFORMER



TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2022
TODAY IS DAY 2

****Please note: **All new and changed items are in red******



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOST AND FOUND

Please come to the office to claim your missing jewelry. Also, please be sure to check the large lost and found bin in the main hallway. Any unclaimed items will be taken to SHARE.

CLUB LEADER/ACADEMIC ASSISTANCE NEEDED

Any grade 10s or 11s who are interested in becoming a club leader and providing academic assistance in math and science, please contact the Best Study Network Instagram for more information.

COVID 19 TEST KITS

If you haven't yet picked up your Covid 19 rapid antigen test kit, please come to the office ASAP.

GRADE 12'S

GRAD 2022 COMPOSITE PHOTO

Grade 12's who had graduation photos taken earlier in the school year have been asked to check the class composite photo (posted in the main hallway by the office) to ensure that their photo has been included and that their name is spelled correctly. The photo will be posted until Friday, April 29th so please make sure that you proof it and if your photo is **not** included or name edits are needed, please contact Ms. Fridge in the office.

**** Please note: For consistency with lighting, proximity to camera and uniformity, Lifetouch selects which individual grad photo (without cap) is used for the composite and yearbook.**

GRADS 2022 – HAVE YOU RECEIVED ANY SCHOLARSHIPS?

We want to celebrate your hard work and achievement by recognizing you in this year's commencement program. Please share the good news by completing this [survey](#).

CAPSTONE PROJECT

Capstone presentations are soon, taking place from April 27th-29th.

Please check your CLC teams to find your Capstone schedule to see which day you will be presenting.

DR. CHARLES BEST SENIOR SAIL – GRADS of 2022

Senior Sail tickets on Sale now! First Come First Serve. Purchase tickets Online.

The link is on the website, under " Student Fees".

ONLY 7 TICKETS REMAIN!

GRADUATION TIMELINE-UPDATED DOCUMENT

Click on the link below or find it on our website homepage to access the updated Graduation Timeline document.

There are many important dates so please take a look!

[Timeline for Grad 2022.pdf](#)

COMMENCEMENT MESSAGE

Grade 12's it's time to write your commencement message. These are the comments that will be read out as you cross the stage for Graduation. The link was emailed to all Grade 12's or find the link on our school website homepage. Please have completed by Friday, May 6th.

SPORTS

SENIOR GIRLS SOCCER

The senior girls wrapped up their tournament at UBC last week with a 2nd place finish in a field of 15 teams. On the same day, the girls made their way back for a league game against PMSS and blanked them 4-0. Congratulations on a very busy couple of days!
Today, the girls take on Heritage Woods on home turf after school.

CLUBS

We will not be starting any new clubs at this time. Clubs are encouraged to meet virtually but can meet in person if they are under the direct supervision of their sponsor teacher for the entire meeting. Everyone is to wear their masks, space out appropriately and follow all covid protocols.

CAREER CENTRE NEWS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS

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!

LAST CHANCE - 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.**

YOUTH TO SEA LEADERSHIP & VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

80 youth from the Lower Mainland will get the opportunity to develop their ocean conservation knowledge while engaging with their community through workshops, work experience placements and ocean service projects. Explore nature and science-based career paths and obtain 120+ service hours over the summer. **Must be 15-18.** The program runs May – October 2022 and includes a 3-day overnight training at Camp Jubilee to start off. **Details here**. **Apply by April 24.** Any questions about this, please see Ms. Kaufmann.

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 **by June 1st, 2022.**

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.](#)

POST SECONDARY EVENTS

TONIGHT - DOUGLAS COLLEGE INFO NIGHTS

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

TOMORROW - BCIT AIRPORT OPERATIONS PROGRAMS

Info Session. **Wed, April 20**, 5:00 pm. Register here.

VANCOUVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE

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

KPU TRADES INFO SESSIONS

- Electrical Programs: **Thu, Apr 21, 2022** - 5:30 PM. [Register](#)
- Carpentry: **Tue, Apr 26, 2022** - 5:30 PM [Register](#)

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

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO: PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS EVENTS

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

- **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.](#)

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

SFU ENTRANCE AWARDS & BURSARIES

Financial aid is available for students for whom the cost of attending university would be a significant barrier to accepting their admission to Simon Fraser University. Applicants must have a demonstrated need and grades in the 80% range in courses required for their selected program. **Deadline is April 30th**. [More info here.](#)

COQUITLAM OPTIMIST CLUB – ROBERT SIMMS MEMORIAL AWARD

Multiple bursaries are awarded primarily based on the students' service to their communities and financial need. Must be planning to register at a post-secondary institution following graduation. **Deadline is April 30th**. [More info here.](#)

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

******WINTER WEATHER******

Winter weather is coming. Please use extra caution when driving or walking in inclement conditions.

******SCENT FREE SCHOOL******

All schools and buildings within SD43 are “scent free” places of work and learning. Numerous students and staff have serious medical complications with various natural and chemical scents/fragrances. As such, please make every effort to avoid using or wearing scented products within this space in order to establish an environment that is as “scent safe” as possible.

******CROSSING COMO LAKE******

All students: Please remember to use the crosswalks and obey all traffic lights when crossing Como Lake Avenue.

*****ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS***NO LOITERING IN BUS SHELTER*****

Students are reminded that the bus shelters are for people who are actually waiting to get on a bus. Please do not use them as social gathering places.

******STUDENT DROP OFFS******

Please be aware that when dropping students off in the morning, vehicles are **not permitted** to stop at the west entrance roundabout. Stopping in the roundabout causes dangerous traffic problems on Como Lake Ave and impedes traffic.

*****SLOW DOWN AND USE CAUTION IN THE DRIVEWAY/DROP OFF AREA IN FRONT OF THE SCHOOL*****

Students are reminded to slow down and use the designated crosswalks when crossing through the school driveway area. Be very vigilant as drivers are often distracted as they are moving in and out of waiting spots. Also, our student drivers are reminded that the expectation is “dead slow” in our school driveways and parking lots.

******VAPING IS NOT PERMITTED IN THE SCHOOL OR ON SCHOOL GROUNDS******

Vaporizers and/or e-cigarettes cannot be possessed at school under any circumstances.

Students are not permitted to have these devices in their lockers, backpacks, or on their person at any time while on school property. If a student is found in possession of a vaporizer or e-cigarette, it will be confiscated. Parents will be contacted and required to meet with the administration and their son/daughter. Reoccurring incidents will result in disciplinary action.

