



THE "BEST" INFORMER



THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 2022
TODAY IS DAY 2

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



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

NO SCHOOL FRIDAY, APRIL 22

There is a district Pro-D day tomorrow. School is not in session for students.

DEVIL'S DEN HOURS

The Devil's Den is opening on Tuesdays and Thursdays from April 21 to May 20th. It will be open during block 2, block 4, and after school every Tuesday and Thursday. We will be selling hoodies, crew necks, and t-shirts. Sizing is limited as this is leftover stock from the fall spirit wear order... don't delay! **Sales are CASH ONLY.**

Please email ofournier@sd43.bc.ca with any questions!

LAST CHANCE - LOST AND FOUND

Please be sure to check the large lost and found bin in the main hallway. Any unclaimed items will be taken to SHARE on Friday, April 22.



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/AWARDS OR BURSARIES?

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](#).

*NEW UPDATE- GRADUATION TIMELINE

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

There have been some changes as of April 19th so please take a look!

[Timeline for Grad 2022-Dates edited version.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 play a home game vs. Terry Fox today after school. Go Blue Devils!

SENIOR BOYS RUGBY

The Seniors head to Gleneagle for their next rugby match. Kickoff is at 4pm. Good luck boys!

GIRLS RUGBY

The Girls rugby team travel across town to Maple Ridge Secondary this afternoon. Best of luck!

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 OPPORTUNITIES

SFU Summer Camps. **Deadline is April 24th.** [Apply here.](#)

Belcarra Beachkeepers. You should **apply by the end of April.** [More here.](#)

Pedalheads Summer Bike Camps: Locations are Queen of All Saints School, Robson Park in Coquitlam, and PoCo. **Deadline is May 1.** [Apply here.](#)

Also check out these short-term opportunities:

[ScotFest!](#) [DumplingFest!](#) [Golden Spike Festival!](#) [Vancouver Children's Festival.](#)

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.**

POST SECONDARY EVENTS

TONIGHT - DOUGLAS COLLEGE INFO NIGHTS

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

TONIGHT - VANCOUVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE

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

TONIGHT - KPU TRADES INFO SESSIONS

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

TONIGHT - 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

LORIENE SHANTZ COMMUNITY SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP

Hey Grads, did you attend Alderson Elementary for at least 3 years?

If you made any significant contributions to the social & cultural development of your school or community [apply for this \\$250 scholarship by April 30th, 3 pm.](#)

FRASER NORTH FARMER'S MARKET SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP

\$250 are available for one SD43 grad who will be pursuing any kind of post-secondary studies/ training. Criteria is community service. [Apply by April 30th, 5 pm.](#)

POCO COMMUNITY FOUNDATION: ARTS EDUCATION BURSARY

Intended for a student enrolled at a recognized post-secondary institution in a formal arts program. Arts is defined as a creative activity that expresses imaginative or technical skills. It includes drawing, painting, sculpting, photography, digital art, performance art, dance, music, poetry, prose, theatre, and culinary arts. Must have demonstrated academic merit and financial need. [Apply by April 30th.](#)

SAVE-ON FOODS DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS

Up to ten \$1,000 scholarships (plus additional 6 for Save-On employees) will be awarded to applicants who have promoted diversity awareness and acceptance in their community. Available to students who going to be pursuing post-secondary education at an accredited institution within the province of BC in the fall.

[Apply by May 1st.](#)

BC SCHOOL SPORTS SCHOLARSHIPS

Over \$30,000 in scholarships are available to student-athletes this year, rewarding excellence in both scholastic and athletic pursuits while still finding time to give back to their communities.

Deadline is May 2, 4 pm. [Apply 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 STUDENTSNO 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.

