



THE “BEST” INFORMER



MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2022

TODAY IS DAY 1

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



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

GRADE 9 PARENT NIGHT

Parents of Grade 9 students. Are you wondering what high school is like for your child? What does a typical day look like? How to help them be successful? Join us **Wednesday, September 28th from 6-7pm** in the main gym to get answers to these and many more questions.

BEAR AWARE

It's bear season. Please be mindful that our school is surrounded by a park and ravine so bears are known to pass by our school. Please do not approach bears if they are on or near school grounds. Maintain eye contact, back away slowly and contact a staff member.

PARKING PASS

Please come to the office to pick up your parking pass:
Caitlin, A., Danielov, C., Gevorkyan, E., Lewis, J., Phillips, S., Schulz, T.

GRADE 12'S

GRADE 12 SCHOLARSHIP MEETING AT BEST

All Grade 12s interested in learning more about financial aid options regarding post-secondary studies are invited to a meeting with Mr. Chang and Ms. Kaufmann. **Tuesday, October 4th**, after school in the library.

HORATIO ALGER CANADIAN SCHOLARSHIPS

160 Scholarships of \$5,000 each are awarded to graduating students with financial need (family income under \$65,000) who have demonstrated integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity, are committed to pursue a post-secondary education, a desire to contribute to society, and a good academic record (+70% average). Must be involved in co-curricular and community service activities and demonstrated desire and ability to be entrepreneurial in a chosen field. Must be Canadian citizens. [Apply here](#) by **October 31**.

DR. M. WOSK SCHOLARSHIP

Must have an interest in ecological issues and environmental preservation as well as the organizational and communication skills necessary to make a profound difference. 2x \$1,000 are available for Metro Vancouver students. [Apply here](#) by **October 31**.

U OF T LESTER B. PEARSON INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

International students who are planning to apply to UofT can request to be nominated for this award. If you have demonstrated exceptional academic achievement and creativity and are a leader within our school, this is for you. The award covers tuition, books, residence, etc. for up to four years. [Submit your brag sheet](#) by **Mon, Nov 14 before 9 am**.

TD COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP AWARDS

20 Scholarships of up to \$70,000 for tuition and living expenses as well as opportunities for paid summer employment, peer networking and mentorship are available. Criteria: Exceptional leadership in making a difference in your community! Must have grade average of +75%. [Apply here](#) by **November 15**.

U OF T NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

If you are planning to attend UofT and meet the criteria of the National Book Award, you are eligible to apply for this scholarship– with or without the school's nomination (see above).

Deadline is October 20, 2022. [More here.](#)

CLUBS

ALL CLUBS

If you would like announcements posted in the Best Informer, on our website, on the school APP or Instagram about upcoming meetings or events, please come to the office to make arrangements.

SPORTS

GIRLS AND BOYS RUGBY MEETING TODAY

Monday, September 26 @ 3:15 in the Café. Whether or not you've played rugby before, come meet the team, learn about the spring season and help us generate some hype! See you there!

GIRLS BASKETBALL OPEN GYM

All girls in grades 9-12 there is an open gym on Monday September 26 from 7-9pm and again on September 27 from 7-9. Any girls interested in playing basketball this year for Charles Best, please come out.

CAREER CENTRE NEWS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS

CITY OF COQUITLAM IS HIRING SKATING INSTRUCTORS

Applicants must be at least 16, and have completed their Emergency First Aid & CPR 'C' by the first shift. Skating experience required. Starting at \$20. [More info here.](#)

Try/CATCH – COMPUTING EVENT AT SFU

Computing and Technology Conference for Her: Female/ non-binary high school students with an interest in Computing Science or Engineering can participate in enriching activities focusing on programming, robotics, and other computing-related aspects. Connect with peers, female mentors and company sponsors. Any skill level is welcome, and lunch is included. **Sat, October 22nd at SFU.** [Register for free here.](#)

CODEMAKER/ CODEBREAKER TECH-EVENT AT SFU

Led by a team of university students, female/ trans/ queer/ non-binary students in Grades 9 & 10 can explore encryption using a wide range of hands-on and digital techniques and experience everything from old-school cryptography wheels to the latest and greatest of digital technology. Make codes, break codes, intercept and much more. SFU Surrey Campus. **Sat, October 22nd.** [Register here for free.](#)

BIOTECHNOLOGY CAREER AWARENESS WORKSHOP AT BCIT

Grade 10, 11 and 12 students who are enthusiastic about scientific research and lab work can learn about careers related to Biotechnology during this 1-week program (Dec 5-9, 2022). Fee is \$226.90 (\$680.70 for International students). BCIT will be accepting 24 students only, **apply by October 31.** [Details here.](#)

BOX OFFICE VOLUNTEERS FOR COQUITLAM EXPRESS

Attention Grade 11/12 students! The Express are looking for volunteers for upcoming home games and the playoff season. You will be working with a team of 2-3 volunteers; training will be provided. If interested, please apply by email to jeevan@coquitlamexpress.ca

BRITISH SWIM SCHOOL IS HIRING SWIM INSTRUCTORS

Grade 11 and 12 students wanted for paid swim instructor positions in the Tri-Cities. Hours would be between Mon-Fri 4-8 pm and weekends, various shifts. Paid training provided. [More info here.](#)

ENGINEERING INTO THE UNIVERSE

Girls* in Grade 10-12 can discover the science and engineering behind some of the most innovative technology in space. **Sat, October 15th, 10 am – 2 pm.** UBC campus. [Register](#) A.S.A.P. (fills up quickly). **FREE.** *Trans*, genderqueer and non-binary folks are welcome.*

POST SECONDARY EVENTS

KWANTLEN POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY (KPU) OPEN HOUSE

Faculty staff, and representatives from the Future Students' Office and KPU International will be on hand to answer all your questions and to help with your application. **October 1st.** [Register here](#) for a chance to win prizes, incl. free tuition.

SFU APPLICATION WORKSHOP FOR BC STUDENTS

Learn how to navigate SFU's admission requirements, program offerings, and how to submit your application. **Tue, Oct 4th, 5 pm.** [Register.](#)

Also, don't forget to meet the SFU recruiter here at Best the day after: Wed, Oct 5th, after school.

POST SECONDARY EVENTS

BCIT BIG INFO

Find out about all their programs – from business and media, computing and IT, engineering, health sciences, trades and apprenticeships, and applied and natural sciences. Explore the BCIT campus and have a chance to win free tuition. **Wed, October 5, 4 pm.** [Register.](#)

CANADIAN UNIVERSITIES EVENT SERIES (CUE)

It's back in person! Meet recruiters from all major Canadian universities and pick up a viewbook.

There are three chances to attend:

Thu, Oct 6th in Surrey (6:00-8:30 pm) | **Tue, Oct 11th** in Burnaby (6.30-9 pm) **Register here.**
Thu, Oct 13th at Heritage Woods Secondary (9-11 am) – no registration required for this session.

UBC APPLICATION WORKSHOPS

Planning to apply to UBC and worrying about writing the Personal Profile? Attend one of UBC's many virtual workshops to get a better idea of what's expected. **Tue, Sept 27th or Oct 4th, Wed, Oct 12th.**

For more dates and to register visit [UBC website.](#)

U OF T APPLICATION WORKSHOPS

Please remember that the University of Toronto recommends for BC students to apply before November 7th! If you want to better understand their application process, please register for one of their upcoming virtual workshops. Tuesdays, Sept 27th, Oct 11th, or Oct 25th starting at 5 pm (PST). [Register.](#)

ATTENTION ALL NEW AND RETURNING STUDENTS

The Career Centre had to remove all team members so students will need to rejoin. On TEAMS, the code is **gvrymg1**. The team is a great resource to receive the latest updates about volunteering opportunities, extracurricular activities related to personal growth (i.e. Mini Med School, Business Case Competitions, Science Talks, etc.), scholarships, post-secondary announcements, and more.

UPCOMING IN-PERSON EVENTS/RECRUITER VISITS AT BEST

University of Victoria	Tue, September 27 th 3.20 pm	School library
SFU	Wed, October 5 th 3.20 pm	School library
Douglas College	Wed, October 12 th 3.20 pm	School library
University of Toronto	Mon, October 24 th 3.20 pm	School library
SFU Beedie School of Business	Wed, October 26 th 3.20 pm	School library
Toronto Metropolitan University (former Ryerson U)	Thu, October 27 th 3.20 pm	School library
Western University	Thu, November 3 rd 3-4 pm	Booth, main foyer
Post-Secondary BC Fair (Recruiters from all BC universities & colleges will be at Best!)	Fri, November 4 th 9-11.45 am	Various rooms around the school
University of Waterloo	Tue, November 15 th 3.20 pm	School library
McGill University	Tue, November 15 th 7 pm	Heritage Woods Secondary, theatre (open to all SD43 students)
University of Calgary	Thu, November 17 th 3-4 pm	Booth, main foyer
University of Alberta	Wed, November 23 rd 3.20 pm	School library