

THE "BEST" INFORMER



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2023 TODAY IS DAY 1

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



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

DRESS YOUR BEST FRIDAY

Only 3 Fridays left before Winter Break. On Dec. 8, wear school coloured clothing (white, blue, black or grey) or any school merchandise you have!

TODAY - CANDY SALE

The Korean Culture Club will be hosting a Dalgona Candy Sale on **Friday, December 8**th in the front lobby to bring awareness about Korean Culture. Be sure to check it out!

STUDENTS VS TEACHERS SOCCER GAME TODAY

Come out to the large gym at 3:30 today and cheer on your favourite team.

Will it be the student team or the teacher team??????

\$2.00 entry with proceeds going to our Charles Best Hamper Fund.

YEARBOOK PHOTO CHECK

GRADE 9-11 STUDENTS

Please check the bulletin board in the front lobby to confirm your yearbook picture and spelling of your name is correct. Use this QR code or the one on the bulletin board to report any necessary corrections.



SCHOOL MERCHANDISE FOR ALL

Need something to wear on 'Dress Your Best Fridays'?

Click on the link to view t-shirts, long sleeves, crewnecks, and hoodies.

Most styles are available in 4 colour options.

Orders will be open until 11:59pm on **Wednesday, December 20**th with delivery expected in January. https://bestspirit2023store.itemorder.com/



RAC COOKIE SALE

The Random Acts of Caring club is running a cookie sale on **December 11th & 12th** in the front lobby from blocks 2-5. Be sure to check out the handcrafted goods - only \$2 per cookie!

Proceeds from sales will be donated to the Greater Vancouver Food Bank.

CHARLES BEST HAMPER FUND DONATIONS UNTIL DEC. 18

We've raised \$2500.00 to date for our hamper fund!!! Our leadership students have been collecting outside in the morning and after school all this week and we can't appreciate their help enough! Donations will also be accepted until Dec. 18th at the office or by School Cashonline. Thank you for your support.

https://sd43.schoolcashonline.com/

STUDENT PARKING PASS

Reminder to all Grade 11 and 12 students. If you have passed your 'N' driver's test and will be driving a car to school, please come to the office for a parking registration form.

ATHLETICS

FIELD LACROSSE

Junior's Practice is **CANCELLED today.** Coaches are sick. Senior's game is still **ON** at Vancouver College today. Early dismissal at 12:45pm.

BASKETBALL DECEMBER 11-16

GRADE 9 BOYS

Play Monday, December 11 at 4pm at home verses Pitt Meadows Secondary.

JUNIOR BOYS BASKETBALL

Play **Monday, December 11** at 7pm at home verses Port Moody Secondary. **Wednesday, December 13** at Gleneagle at 7:00pm.

JUNIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL

Play **Monday, December 11** at 5:30pm at home verses Port Moody Secondary. **Wednesday, December 13** at Gleneagle at 5:30pm.

The team hosts the 'Best Buckets' tournament **starting December 15**.

SENIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL

Play in the TBI Elite Tournament running from December 13-16.

SENIOR BOYS BASKETBALL

Play in the G.W. Graham Tournament in Chilliwack running from December 14-16.

CAREER CENTRE NEWS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS

KPU FUTURE BUSINESS LEADERS CONFERENCE

Are you a Future Business Leader? Grade 11/12 students are invited to this free, in-person competition at the KPU Surrey Campus. January 17, 2024, 5-8 pm. Participating students gain university-level business skills, get to network with industry professionals, get mentorship and have the chance to win exciting prizes.

KPU will be assigning teams. Sign up at kpu.ca/futureleaders.

C.A.R.E. FOOD SORTERS WANTED

The Low Entropy Foundation is looking for volunteers, age 15+, to help organizing and packing food hampers for local families. Weekly commitment of 2-5 hours for a min. of 2 months. Sundays and/or Mondays,

Burquitlam area. Read more here.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED: INTERCULTURAL WINTER SOLSTICE FESTIVAL AT MACKIN PARK

United Way BC is looking for students to help set up this neighbourhood event, hand out warm beverages, and support the public make paper bag lanterns. **Thu, December 21**st, 3.30-9 pm.

Orientation will take place December 19. More info here.

LEARNING BUDDIES WANTED

The Learning Buddy Network is looking for volunteers to mentor a younger student. Volunteers will develop leadership, communication, and organization skills. Applicants must be 15+ or at least in grade 10. The Winter/Spring term will run Feb – May 2024. Apply by December 31.

Opportunities are offered both online and in-person.

MORE SPORTS IS HIRING AFTER-SCHOOL & CAMP LEADERS

Looking for individuals with all types of sporting backgrounds who are passionate about coaching and creating fun activity lesson plans for kids K to grade 8. After-school programs are within the Tri-Cities and run 2.30-4.30 pm; camps run during Spring Break and/or July. Read more here.

TECHNOVATION GIRLS BC

Technology & entrepreneurship competition where young women and girls* aged 8-18 work in teams to develop a mobile app or AI project that tackles real-world problems in the community. Work with volunteer mentors, complete weekly curriculum, and attend workshops & much more! The programs kicks off January 17, 2024, at Science World and ends with a Pitch Hackathon at BCIT (April 13, 2024). Multiple online workshops throughout the program. FREE. Read more here.

NORTH AMERICAN COMPUTATIONAL LINGUISTICS OLYMPIAD (NACLO)

NACLO is a fun and educational contest for U.S. and Canadian high-school students in which contestants compete to solve compelling and creative puzzles in linguistics and computational linguistics. No previous knowledge of linguistics, computing, or second languages required. SFU is hosting an Open Round, open to all, January 25, 2024. Top students from the Open Round travel to the Invitational Round and might have a chance to represent Canada at the International Linguistics Olympiad. More info.

POST SECONDARY EVENTS

LA SALLE COLLEGE OPEN HOUSE & PORTFOLIO SHOW

Learn about programs and creative careers and see the cutting-edge facilities on **Tue, December 12**th, 4:30 - 7 pm. You will also have a chance to connect with passionate instructors, and industry professionals and discover the works of graduates. LaSalle is offering programs in Game Design, Graphic Design, Interior Design, Audio & Film, Culinary Arts, Fashion, etc. Register here.

UBC FACULTY OF FORESTRY WEBINAR

Are you passionate about the environment, sustainability, and the great outdoors? Do you dream of a career that combines your love for nature with cutting-edge science and innovation? Explore programs such as B.Sc. in Natural Resources, Bachelor of Urban Forestry, and Bachelor of Indigenous Land Stewardship. Learn about career opportunities, scholarships, and connect with the faculty staff. **December 14**, 4 pm. Sign up here.

SCHOLARSHIP/AWARD INFORMATION

WESTERN NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Graduating students with demonstrated academic excellence, exceptional leadership in extracurricular activities such as the arts and athletics, and notable commitment to community service through ongoing contributions to school and community life are invited to apply. Must be nominated by the school.

Submit your special Western Brag Sheet to skaufmann@sd43.bc.ca by December 10, 2023.

Open to International Students. More info here.

BEEDIE LUMINARIES BURSARIES

100+ awards of up to \$11,000/ year (for up to 4 years) are available. Valid at one of the 25 BC post-secondary institutions. Must be a grade 12 student in BC and a Canadian citizen or PR for at least 3 years.
 Criteria: Demonstrated resiliency in the face of financial adversity, academic readiness to advance their education, achieve their dreams, and inspire others. Grade average 75%+. More info.
 Deadline to apply: January 8, 2024.

CMOLIK FOUNDATION BURSARIES

Up to 20 bursaries, each valued up to \$45,000 paid over five years of study to BC grads. Applications are judged based on the student's proven resilience in the face of adversity, positive work ethic, academic suitability, contributions to community, clarity of educational goals, support of references.

Our school can nominate ONE student. To be considered, please submit your Cmolik brag sheet to skaufmann@sd43.bc.ca by January 7, 2024. More info.

GRADE 12'S

DUE TONIGHT - YEARBOOK CONTRIBUTIONS

Grade 12's, the yearbook team REALLY needs your help with the following:

Submit a baby photo of yourself, submit your yearbook writeup and vote for your favourites!

Please scan the QR codes below and submit by Thursday, November 30 FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2023 11:59pm.



Baby Photos



Write-ups



Superlatives