



THE “BEST” INFORMER

THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2025

TODAY IS DAY 2

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



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY - PRIDE DAY

Charles Best celebrates Pride Day on **Thursday, May 15th**.

Be sure to stop by the front lobby! Leadership students will be running some PRIDE day activities and bake sales to spread awareness for PRIDE and raise money for the Gay Straight Alliance club at our school!

Please come to the foyer during blocks 2, 3 and 4 to check out our activities, such as shaved ice, bracelet making, face paint, trivia with prizes and baked goods!

TODAY - MOOSE HIDE DAY

May 15th is Moose Hide Day this year. What is it? It's a movement by men, for men to end the cycle of violence towards women and children. The purpose is to spread awareness of this epidemic and hold men accountable.

See link below for more information:

[Moose Hide Campaign Day 2025 | A day of online action against violence towards women, children, and all those along the gender continuum..](#)

NO SCHOOL TOMORROW AND MONDAY MAY 19TH

There is no school on **Friday, May 16th** due to a school-based Pro D. Day.

There is also no school on **Monday, May 19th** to observe the Victoria Day Statutory holiday.

Classes resume on **Tuesday, May 20th**.

FREEZIE SALE

Freezies will be sold in Heather B's room (Youth Worker) every day for \$1.00.

On **Friday, May 23rd**, they will be sold in the front lobby to support Access Youth. Thanks for your support!

FUEL THE FIGHT-TAKE A BITE!

Support the Badminton Team by ordering a box of Krispy Kreme doughnuts **now** on SCO accounts for \$18 per box. The remaining doughnuts will be sold in the front foyer on **May 21** for \$2 per doughnut, \$5 for three and \$18 per box. <https://sd43.schoolcashionline.com/>

DRAFT HONOUR ROLL POSTED

It's that time of year again! The DRAFT Honours Standing Lists are now posted in the hallway and will remain for review **until May 23rd**. **If students have questions, they are to arrange a time to talk to the specific teacher.**

Teachers will communicate with Admin. should the result be a change in grade.

FINAL Honours Standing Lists will be posted on **June 2nd**.

CLUB EVENTS

TODAY - COOKIES 4 A CAUSE BAKE SALE

On **Thursday, May 15th**, Cookies 4 a Cause Club will be set up in the front lobby from Blocks 1-5 selling delicious baked goods for \$2-3 each.

Proceeds from sales will be going to BC Children's Hospital.

Thank you for your support!

FORGOTTEN ORPHANS CLUB SALE

On **Thursday, May 22nd**, Forgotten Orphans Club will be selling strawberry ice cream cups in the front lobby.

Proceeds will go to the Forgotten Orphans non-profit or an orphanage of their choice.

POST SECONDARY EVENTS

WATCH THIS SPACE FOR EVENTS HAPPENING SOON

CAREER CENTRE NEWS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS

FINANCE 101 – STUDENTS PREPARING FOR COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY

The Gustavson School of Business at UVic invites students (grades 10 – 12) to join a free financial literacy workshop. This interactive session will strengthen and prepare your financial footing to enter university life. Parents are also welcome. **May 21st at 5:30pm OR May 22nd at 11:00am.** [More info.](#)

SD43 SUMMER LEARNING VOLUNTEERING

SD43 is looking for motivated and reliable students to help in local elementary and middle classrooms. July 7 – 25, 8.45 am – noon, 45 hours total. Reference letters will be provided. Spots are limited, apply early. [More info and application here.](#) **Deadline is May 31.**

SAVE THE DATE-SD43 TRADES HIRING FAIR

Students, get your resumes ready and come to Centennial Secondary on **Wednesday, June 4th from 5-7pm.** If you're curious about a career in the skilled trades and want to get started, come check it out!

SD43 INTERNATIONAL ED SUMMER SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers wanted for the International Summer School Programs, 8:30 am - noon, July 7 – August 8. Pinetree Secondary School. If you take initiative and approach others easily, possess good leadership and interpersonal skills, are reliable, and ideally speak a second language (Mandarin, Spanish, Korean preferred), please apply. [More info here.](#) **Apply by June 13.**

JAMES PARK ELEMENTARY SUMMER CAMP VOLUNTEERS

Do you enjoy working with kids? Do you want to give your resume a glow-up and collect some volunteer hours? Minimum commitment is one week - a longer commitment would be preferred. Send your application to sjorge@sd43.bc.ca (resume, cover letter, teacher reference) - ideally **before June 13, 2025.** Questions? Please contact Silvia Jorge at the above email address.

PLACE DES ARTS SUMMER CAMP VOLUNTEERS

Visual and performing arts camps run for six weeks from July 7 – August 15, 2025. You can commit for a shorter period. Must be 13+, responsible, caring, and must enjoy working with children. Must be 13+. [Apply here](#) **by June 20.**

RAINFOREST ADVENTURE SUMMER CAMPS VOLUNTEERING

Kind, patient, and respectful students are wanted to help run activities for elementary school children. Camp activities may include swimming, boating, sports, arts and crafts, talent shows, and regular out-trips. Camps run **Mon-Fri, June 27 – August 29, 8 am – 6 pm**, but hours are flexible – add your availability when you apply. [More here.](#)



Students, watch this space, follow the Career Centre on Instagram or check the Career Centre page on our school website for regular posts about upcoming post-secondary events, local volunteer opportunities or other neat, usually free, opportunities for personal growth.

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GRADE 12 INFORMATION

LAST CHANCE TO PURCHASE TICKETS TO GRAD

Tickets can be purchased for the dinner/dance, bus to after grad and after grad if you're up to date on fees paid, CLC completed and no other items outstanding. Available on School CashOnline accounts **until Friday, May 16th.** Questions? Come to the office.

CLASS OF 2025 – HAVE YOU WON ANY FINANCIAL AWARDS?

We would love to acknowledge your achievement by listing your scholarships & bursaries in our 2025 commencement brochure. Please take a moment to share your good news by completing [this form](#) (Submit one form for each financial award).

Information must be submitted by the last week of May to be included in the commencement program. Congratulations!

AVAILABLE NOW - GRAD PASS COMPASS CARDS

Grads, don't miss your chance to pick up 2 complimentary GradPass compass cards. Each pass is valid for 1 full day of unlimited travel on Translink buses, seabuses, skytrains or W. Coast Express. 'GradPass' compass cards are now available in the office, with your Counsellor in the counselling area or with Ms. Bjornson our Youth Worker and are **valid between May 15-June 30.** *Valid student or government issued photo ID must be presented at time of travel.

SCHOLARSHIP/AWARD/BURSARY INFORMATION

LOOKING FOR MORE SCHOLARSHIPS?

Many more scholarships and bursaries for graduating students can be found on the [Career Centre website](#).

MEDAVIE SCHOLARSHIPS

Up to 10 scholarships of \$7,000 each will be awarded to youth who are living with a mental health challenge of their own or that of a family member and are pursuing health-related post-secondary studies at a recognized Canadian university or community college and plan to pursue a career in their health-related field of studies.

Each scholarship will be renewable for up to three additional years. [Apply here](#) by May 31.

CTA BARBARA VENGSHOEL SCHOLARSHIPS

\$500 each will be awarded to one student in SD43 pursuing a career in Trades, and one student in SD43 pursuing a career in Fine & Performing Arts. Based on demonstrated achievement in the chosen focus area.

[Apply here](#) by June 1.

RUDDER REID EDUCATION AWARDS

21 awards are available for students going into the following programs: Wellness enabling (e.g. kinesiology, nursing, nutrition, pharmacy, elder care); business (e.g. accounting, commerce, economics, statistics, finance); and trade skills training. \$3,000 - \$5,000, renewable. Apply [here](#) by May 31.

GRACE FAMILY NETWORK SCHOLARSHIPS

3 x \$1000 for Metro Vancouver grads with outstanding academics, demonstrated leadership and financial need. Must submit one-page essay on "What experience has shaped your values?".

Deadline is May 31. [More info](#).

VANCOUVER KOREAN CANADIAN SCHOLARSHIPS

Various awards based on academic excellence, active involvement in the community, leadership. Open to Greater Vancouver grads of Korean heritage attending post-secondary anywhere (if parents/ grandparents are still residing in Greater Vancouver) and also open to international (Korean) students who will be attending post-secondary in Greater Vancouver. **Apply by May 31.** [More here](#).

CTA TRADES & ARTS SCHOLARSHIPS

2 x \$1,500 will be awarded to students in SD43 pursuing a career in Trades or a career in Visual Arts or Fine & Performing Arts. Based on secondary school coursework in the chosen area. [Apply here](#) by June 1.

CTA EQUITY SCHOLARSHIPS

4 x \$1500 are available to SD43 students who identify as Indigenous, Black, a person of colour, LGBTQ2S+, or a person with a disability. [Apply](#) by June 1.

ATHLETICS



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UPCOMING ATHLETIC EVENTS

DATE AND/OR TIME	TEAM NAME	EVENT/OPPONENT/VENUE
Thurs. May 15	SENIOR GIRLS SOCCER	Playoff game vs. Riverside @ Pitt Meadows Sec.
Thurs. May 15 3:30pm-9pm	SENIOR BOYS BADMINTON	Provincial qualifier @ Burnaby Mtn. Sec.
Thurs. May 15	SENIOR GOLF	Districts @ Golden Eagle South
Thurs. May 15	TRACK AND FIELD	Day 1 Fraser Norths @ Town Centre
Thurs. May 15	JUNIOR BOYS RUGBY	Fraser Norths vs. Byrne Creek @ Burnaby Lake
Fri. May 16	TRACK AND FIELD	Day 2 Fraser Norths @ Town Centre
Thurs. May 22/Fri. May 23	MOUNTAIN BIKE	Provincials in Powell River
Sat. May 24/Sun. May 25	HOCKEY	Provincials @ Planet Ice Coquitlam
Fri. May 29-Sat. May 31	SENIOR BADMINTON	Provincials TBD