



THE “BEST” INFORMER

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2025

TODAY IS DAY 1

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



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

DRESS YOUR BEST TOMORROW

Wear your school swag, team swag or Grad swag on **Friday, November 14th**!

Or you can also wear school colours, navy, white, grey or black.

FRIMM. DELF EXAMS

Schedules for the oral and written DELF exams (Nov. 7-20) will be posted in the front lobby.

Students must present picture ID at the exam.

Reminder to ensure your exam fee is paid via SCOL accounts. (School Cash Online)

SCHOOL BEST WEAR AND GRAD WEAR ORDERS

Students, please check your school email about your clothing order.

Clothing orders arrived last week and are to be picked up no later than tomorrow afternoon.

HOT CHOCOLATE AND CANDY CANES

Get ready to cozy up! Leadership is hosting a hot chocolate and candy cane sale in the foyer on **Monday, November 17th**! For just \$1 you can enjoy a delicious cup of hot chocolate topped with marshmallows and a mini candy cane, perfect for warming up your day.

Plus, grab a large candy cane for one \$1 more.

Don't miss this sweet chance to treat yourself and support Leadership on Nov. 17th in the lobby.

VOLUNTEERS FOR OUR WINTER MARKET

Students, do you need volunteer hours? Our Winter Market is looking to fill various volunteer positions on **Friday, November 28th**. Please click on the link below if you can help, thank you!

[https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0544AAAB2AA5F5CE9-59676377-winter/#/](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0544AAAB2AA5F5CE9-59676377-winter#/)

CLOTHING DRIVE NOVEMBER 1-28

Please help us support our community. **NEW ITEMS REQUESTED: dog and cat (dry, wet) food, treats, pet beds.**

Warm coats, boots, warm socks, long sleeve shirts, pants, kids snowsuits, tarps, tents, blankets are items currently in need. Students can drop off items to Ms. Heather's Youth Worker room.

There will be one more drive on Saturday, November 29th from 9:30-2:30 in front of the school.

SCHOLARSHIP/AWARD/BURSARY INFORMATION

SFU UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARS ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS

Students demonstrating excellence in both their academic (90%+ average) and extracurricular activities, who also demonstrate potential to enrich the university community through ongoing academic and community contributions are eligible to apply. Scholarships are available to domestic and international high school students admitted. Up to \$40,000 over 4 years. Apply to SFU early to receive access to the scholarship, [deadline is December 15.](#)

BEEDIE LUMINARIES GRADE 12 SCHOLARSHIP

Students with financial need and grades above 75% could receive up to \$44,000/ 4-year undergraduate degree or up to \$22,000/ 2-year college diploma or certificate. Must be attending one of the B.C. post-secondary institutions listed on the website. In addition, this program provides a student success program, peer support, access to mentors and paid summer internships. [Apply here](#) by **December 15, 1 pm.**

BEEDIE BUILD SCHOLARSHIP (for BCIT only)

This program is supporting students who are wishing to pursue a career in the skilled trades, but who are facing financial and other challenges. Up to \$20,000 over four years towards a Red Seal certification in the following construction trades: Carpenters, Electricians (construction), Plumbers, Welders, Sheet Metal Workers. You are eligible if you have applied and been accepted or waitlisted in a [BCIT Foundation](#) or BCIT Pre-Apprenticeship certificate program **Deadline is December 15, 1 pm.** [More info.](#)

CAREER CENTRE NEWS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS

TOMORROW - MORESPORTS LEADERSHIP & VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Stop by the MoreSports info table in our lobby, **Friday, November 14** to [learn more](#) about this youth leadership program. In addition to volunteer opportunities, the program also provides training opportunities, such as Canucks Autism Training, High Five, etc. Current MoreSports volunteers will be available all day to answer your questions. They are also running a **Krispy Kreme donut sale** fundraiser!

THIS WEEKEND - OPTIMIST CLUB: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SUNDAY

Student volunteers are wanted for the annual Coquitlam "Optimist Walk For Youth". Help with route marking this **Sunday, November 16**, 9 am - 1 pm. Meet at Poirier Rec Centre (south entrance). Please confirm details with Al Kersey: 778-988-4337 (texting is okay) or email akersey@telus.net. Confirmation of volunteer hours will be provided.

YMCA SUMMER WORK STUDENT EXCHANGE

Will you be 16+ this Summer, speak at least basic French and can see yourself broadening your horizon and live in a French-speaking community in Quebec for six weeks? Paid, full-time employment in the non-profit sector (kids camps, museums, etc.) will be organized. The program is federally funded by the Department of Canadian Heritage, so it is offered at a minimal cost of \$200. It's also a reciprocal homestay; youth are hosted in each other's homes to deepen the cultural exchange. Want to [learn more](#)? Stop by the info table in our lobby, **Wed, November 19**, after school.

YOUTH LEADERSHIP SOCIETY OF BC: MODEL UN SECRETARIAT POSITIONS

Applications are now open for the [Youth Leadership Society of BC \(YLSBC\)](#) **Model United Nations Secretariat Team**! This is an exciting opportunity for passionate and motivated students to take on leadership roles in organizing one of the region's top Model UN conferences. Apply by **November 30**. [Learn more here](#).

JR FIRE ACADEMY APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

Sessions will run March 13 - 22, 2026 (first week of Spring Break) in Coquitlam, and April 22 - 25, 2026 (plus a few days before/after) in Port Moody. The program is open to SD43 students in grades 11 & 12. If you want to get a true understanding of the components of Fire Rescue's basic training for new recruits, [learn how to apply here](#). This year, there are two steps to complete: An online portion, and some forms that must be handed into Ms. Kaufmann (Career Office). **Deadline is Friday, December 5, 3 pm.**

FRENCH FOR THE FUTURE ESSAY CONTEST

If you are a student in grades 10, 11, or 12, you could win one of 100 scholarships. Enter the National Essay Contest for a chance to win a scholarship between \$1,000 and \$28,000 to study (completely or partially in French) at one of the 16 partnering post-secondary institutions all over the country. Invest in your future, en français! **Deadline: December 19**. [More info](#).

POST SECONDARY EVENTS

TOMORROW - UBC ENGINEERING OPEN HOUSE

This virtual event will feature all of UBC's 14 undergraduate engineering programs. Have the chance to meet with professors, staff, and current students from each program, ask questions about learning opportunities and career paths, and discover what's the best fit for you. **Friday, November 14**, 6-8 pm. [Register to attend](#).

THIS WEEKEND - SFU FACULTY SHOWCASE/ OPEN HOUSE

On **Saturday, November 15**, 10 am – 1 pm, you'll have another chance to get all your SFU-related questions answered by faculty staff and advisors. You can also attend presentations and tour the Surrey campus. Eight faculties will represent all the subjects you can explore. [Register](#) and bring your family.

UBC LFS INFO SESSION

Join LFS Academic Advisors for an overview of all things [LFS](#). You'll learn about the four B.Sc. degree programs and the specific majors therein as well as student support programs and opportunities to get involved.

Monday, November 17th at 4:30pm. [Register](#). Program specific sessions are also offered: Food & Resource Economics: **Wed, Nov 19**, 4.30 pm | Applied Animal Biology: **Wed, Nov 19**, 4.30 pm | Food, Nutrition & Health: **Tue, Nov 18**, 4.30 pm | Global Resource Systems would be 2nd year entry – [learn more here](#).

WESTERN IVEY AEO ESSAY WORKSHOP

Are you currently working on your application to Western's Ivey Business School (AEO)? This once-a-year session will provide guidance on what Ivey is looking for in the essay section and how to write structured, authentic responses. **Tue, December 9**, 4 pm. [Sign up](#).

CLUB EVENTS

TODAY - CAR ENTHUSIASTS CLUB BAKE SALE

Help support the Car Enthusiast club on **Thursday, November 13th**.
They will be hosting a bake sale in the lobby all day.

TOMORROW - KRISPY KREME DONUT SALE

On **Friday, November 14th** from blocks 2-4, come by the lobby to support a Grade 12 Capstone Project.
Proceeds will be used to help pay for materials used to run the First Aid/Babysitting courses offered to SD43
middles schools over the winter break. Donuts are \$2/each or 3 for \$5.
Also, be sure to check out the Moresports information while you're there!

GRADE 12 INFORMATION

DO YOU NEED VOLUNTEER HOURS?

Are you looking for volunteer hours? If so, Ms. Heather (Youth Worker) is looking for students to make
Christmas sugar cookies or your family special holiday cookies. 250 cookies are needed for the first week of
December to give to the Seniors in our 3 nursing care homes.
Please either come to me room or text me at 778-840-6091 to let me know.

ATHLETICS



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For secondary sport updates and information...



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FIELD LACROSSE MEETING

There will be an information meeting in the cafeteria **TODAY** after Block 5 for all students interested in playing
Field Lacrosse this year.
Any questions, email 080-mgranville@sd43.bc.ca

SENIOR GIRLS VOLLEYBALL UPDATE

Our senior girls are on a roll! They squashed Burnaby Central in 3 sets last night and we are
PROVINCIAL BOUND for the first time since 2011!
Our girls play for 1st place in Fraser Norths tonight @ 6:30pm @ Burnaby Central.
We face off against Heritage again for the banner.
For the first time in forever, Riverside is NOT going to provincials. They were pushed out by Heritage last night.
Please congratulate the girls, they have earned their accolades.

WRESTLING PRACTICES

Wrestling practices will be held on **Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday** this week in the small gym after school.
All are welcome, no experience necessary.

ATTENTION GRADES 9 – 12 FEMALE ICE HOCKEY PLAYERS

SD43 will have its first Female Ice Hockey league this Spring, 2026 (Likely after spring break, March – April).
There is an informal sign-up in room 309 with Ms. Abercrombie.
Please visit room 309 by November 10th to share your interest and on-ice position.
Do we have enough players?
Could we be the first ever SD43 female champions?! The future is looking bright!

UPCOMING ATHLETIC EVENTS

DATE	TEAM	LOCATION/DETAILS
Wed. Nov. 12-Fri. Nov. 14	FIELD HOCKEY	Provincials @ Tamanawis Park Surrey
Thurs. Nov. 13	GRADE 9 BOYS BASKETBALL	Game @ RE Mountain Sec.
Thurs. Nov. 13 @ 6:30pm	SENIOR GIRLS VOLLEYBALL	Fraser North FINALS vs. Heritage Woods @ Burnaby Central
Fri. Nov. 14-Sat. Nov. 15	SWIMMING	Provincials @ Watermania
Wed. Nov. 26 – Sat. Nov. 29	SENIOR GIRLS VOLLEYBALL	Provincials in Kelowna