



THE “BEST” INFORMER

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2025

TODAY IS DAY 2

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

November

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE BEST PLAYERS PRESENT

The Best Players are working tirelessly to present **Calamity Calling**, a collection of one act plays.

Our fall one act festival **begins November 18th, and runs November 19th, 20th, and 21st.**

Tickets are \$8.00 for students and seniors, and \$10.00 for adults and the box office opens at 7:00 PM, curtain at 7:30 PM. Tickets can also be purchased at the box office with tap and are also available on SCOL accounts for your convenience. <https://sd43.schoolcashonline.com/>

Our featured plays will be *The Real Inspector Hound*, by Tom Stoppard, *Come Live in My House*, by Mae Howley Barry and *Picnic on the Battlefield* by Fernando Arrabal. The drama and stagecraft students are all so courageous and I am extremely proud of the work we will be presenting.

Don't forget to mark your calendars so that you can enjoy these performances.

Bring the kids and support the wonderful work we do here at Dr. Charles Best. See you at the festival.

SCHOOL BEST WEAR AND GRAD WEAR ORDERS

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

Orders must be picked up in the office by the end of the day TODAY please!

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!** Prices start at just \$1 and 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.

FRIMM. DELF EXAMS

Schedules for the oral and written DELF exams (Nov. 7-20) are 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)

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#/>

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.

CLUB EVENTS

TODAY - 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!

CAREER CENTRE NEWS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS

TODAY - 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!

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](#).

GRADE 12 INFORMATION

GRAD SWAG LAST CHANCE TO ORDER

The deadline to order is 11:59pm on Sunday, November 16th.
THIS IS YOUR LAST CHANCE so don't delay! Click on the link here:
[Here is the Grad Store round 2 for your students!](#)

NOTE: We have not been provided a timeline for product delivery. Please contact Total Spirit directly. Their contact information is included in the link above.

SCHOLARSHIP/AWARD/BURSARY INFORMATION

CMOLIK FOUNDATION BURSARIES

Up to \$50,000 are available for students with financial need who have faced adversity but have responded with positivity and tenacity to achieve academic and social goals. We can nominate one student. [Learn more here](#). To be considered, please email your Cmolik brag sheet to skaufmann@sd43.bc.ca.

Deadline is Sun, December 14.

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](#).

BEEIDIE 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.**

BEEIDIE 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](#).

POST SECONDARY EVENTS

TODAY - 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.](#)

TOMORROW - 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 BLACK STUDENT OUTREACH

Grade 11 &12 students in SD43 who identify as Black are invited to learn about UBC's commitment to supporting Black youth in their post-secondary planning. UBC recruiters will be sharing information on university pathways, scholarships, and the support systems available to Black students at UBC and beyond.

Nov 20th, 1 pm, SD43 Board Office, 1080 Winslow Ave. To participate, please hand your completed [field trip permission form](#) into Ms. Kaufmann at the Career Office, **due Mon, Nov 17, 3 pm**.

UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA OPEN HOUSE

Grade 11 & 12 students and their families are invited to explore the UVic campus and the programs available on **Saturday, November 29**, 10 am - 5 pm. Attend lectures, tour the campus, talk to faculty and advisors, meet current students. [Register.](#)

CAPILANO UNIVERSITY OPEN HOUSE

Visit the CapU North Shore campus, tour world-class labs and studios and discover over 100 diverse programs on **Saturday, November 29**. Faculty staff will be available for portfolio reviews (where applicable). [See website](#) for more info and to register.

SFU: CTRL + F YOUR FUTURE

Calling all grade 11 and 12 students! Come discover what's possible at SFU's Faculty of Applied Sciences! You'll explore cutting-edge projects by first-year Engineering Science students, learn how AI is shaping the future, and enjoy dinner and a short, guided campus tour. **Wed, December 3**, 4:30-7 pm, SFU Burnaby. [Register.](#)

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.](#)

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SENIOR GIRLS VOLLEYBALL UPDATE

The Sr Girls came 2nd in Fraser North's last night. Please congratulate the girls if you see them. Thank you to the staff and students who came to support us this week. We came fourth last year, so this is a great improvement. Friendly reminder that the girls will not be in classes Nov 26-28th as we are travelling to Kelowna.

UPCOMING ATHLETIC EVENTS

DATE	TEAM	LOCATION/DETAILS
Wed. Nov. 12-Fri. Nov. 14	FIELD HOCKEY	Provincials @ Tamanawis Park Surrey
Fri. Nov. 14-Sat. Nov. 15	SWIMMING	Provincials @ Watermania
Wed. Nov. 26 – Sat. Nov. 29	SENIOR GIRLS VOLLEYBALL	Provincials in Kelowna