



THE “BEST” INFORMER

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2025

TODAY IS DAY 1

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



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

FRIMM. DELF EXAMS START TODAY

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)

TODAY - 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.

FIRST SHOW IS TOMORROW NIGHT - 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. 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/>

HELP SUPPORT OUR SENIOR GIRLS VOLLEYBALL TEAM

The Senior Girls are preselling boxes of Krispy Kreme donuts this week to fundraise for their trip to Provincials in Kelowna. Boxes are \$20 each and you can order directly from a player or Ms. Thomas.

Thank you for supporting us on our quest for Provincial success!

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

HEART TO HOME BAKE SALE

Heart to Home Club is hosting a bake sale on **Thursday, November 20th**.

Come down to the lobby throughout the day and check it out!

GRADE 12 INFORMATION

WATCH THIS SPACE FOR UPCOMING EVENTS

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.

CAREER CENTRE NEWS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS

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

FORMS DUE TODAY - 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**.

SESSIONS BEGIN TODAY - 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](#).

POST SECONDARY FAIR WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26

There will be approximately 16 PSI's presenting at Best to our **Grade 11 and 12 students during blocks 1 and 2**.

Students with block 1 classes are to head to class for attendance.

Students without a block 1 class are to head to the small gym at 8:40am.

Students will be attending any 2 presentations and will be followed by a mini fair in the large gym.

This is a great opportunity to speak to reps from post-secondary institutions you are interested in attending!

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](#).

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](#).

ATHLETICS



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For secondary sport updates and information...



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BASKETBALL SCOREKEEPERS WANTED

We’re looking for committed individuals in grade 10-12 for scorekeeping home games this season.
Training will be provided, and it’s a paid position.
Interested students are to come to the large gym on **Tuesday, Nov. 18 @ 3:30pm**.
Questions? Email 080-dherdman@sd43.bc.ca

FIELD HOCKEY UPDATE

After 3 days of tough competition (and an extremely wet Thursday), the girls tied their record from last year, **finishing 11th overall in the province**.
All the girls played their best, and we couldn't have been prouder of the great sportsmanship and teamwork we saw, even as they experienced their first losses of the season.
The team will finish with an incredible record of 15-4-1 (W/L/T).

ULTIMATE FRISBEE PRACTICE

There will be an informal practice on **Friday at 3:30pm** on the turf. Hope to see you there!
All are welcome!

UPCOMING ATHLETIC EVENTS

DATE	TEAM	LOCATION/DETAILS
Wed. Nov. 26 – Sat. Nov. 29	SENIOR GIRLS VOLLEYBALL	Provincials in Kelowna

