



# THE “BEST” INFORMER

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2025

TODAY IS DAY 1

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

DECEMBER

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ENTREPRENEURSHIP FAIR TODAY AND TOMORROW

Join us for the **Entrepreneurship 12 Fair**, where creativity meets opportunity! A wide variety of delicious drinks, tasty food items, and unique gifts will be available for purchase. Your support helps our young entrepreneurs showcase their hard work and innovative ideas. We truly appreciate your encouragement—see you there!

### STUDENTS VISITING RJ KENT CARE HOME TODAY

Students travelling by our school bus for the RJ Kent Care home visit today are to meet out front of the school at 3:15 sharp. Look for Heather B. our Youth Worker. Students driving themselves, please head to the care home straight after class.

### TOMORROW NIGHT - WINTER CONCERT

Our music department is hosting its annual Christmas Concert on **Wednesday, December 10th at 7:00pm** in the big gym. Come hear all six ensembles perform many of your Christmas favourites. Doors open at 6:30 and admission is by donation. We hope you will join us; it will be a great way to kick off your holiday season!

### ME ‘N ED’S FUNDRAISER THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11

Order pizza from Me ‘n Eds location on Austin on **Dec. 11** and 20% of all sales will go towards the 2026 Charles Best After Grad!

Applies to all dine in and take out orders.

Be sure to mention ‘**CHARLES BEST AFTER GRAD**’ at time of order.

Thank you for your support!

604-931-2468

Or online: <https://meneds.ca/>

### CLUB/TEAM PHOTOS

Artona will be on site the afternoon of **Wednesday, December 17<sup>th</sup>** to capture all Clubs and Fall/Winter team photos. Mr. Viveiros will be sharing a spread sheet of the schedule to Club Sponsor Teachers, Club Leaders, and Fall/Winter Athletic Coaches to sign up for a timeslot. Spring teams will be photographed on March 11, 2026.

## CLUB EVENTS

### PAWS FOR A CAUSE BAKE SALE

Join Paws for a Cause in the front foyer this **Thursday, December 11th** for our Bakesale!

All proceeds will go towards the wish lists of the cats at the RAPS Cat Sanctuary.

These cats rely on community support for comfort items, enrichment toys, specialized food, and medical supplies. Your purchase helps bring a little extra love and care into their lives this holiday season.

### BEST MARINE CLUB BAKE SALE

Be sure to check out the bake sale hosted by the Best Marine Club on **Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup>**.

## CAREER CENTRE NEWS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS

### UBC BLACK FUTURES

This free, unique program will introduce black students in grades 11 & 12 to post-secondary options and discussions about higher education. You will meet with UBC students as well as a variety of faculty and other professionals. Transportation to and from UBC Vancouver (four sessions) will be provided and students will be chaperoned by SD43 teachers. Students DO NOT need to be planning on attending UBC. If you are interested, please see Ms. Kaufmann (Career Centre) **by December 18th**. There are only 10 spots available, so don't wait!

### NEW WESTMINSTER STUDENT POLICE ACADEMY

Are you aged 16-18 and are considering a career in policing? This week-long program will provide you with unforgettable educational experiences in law enforcement. Participate in hands-on activities, learn from experienced professionals and get a behind the scenes look at all aspects of policing: Physical conditioning, self-defense, scenario-based simulations, etc. March 16-20, full-time. Open to domestic students only.

[Apply](#) before Wed, January 7.

### HALL CONSTRUCTORS: PAID SPRING BREAK WORK EXPERIENCE

Are you a grade 12 student interested in exploring a future in construction? Earn \$25/hr while trying out real work in civil construction, mechanical (plumbing) trades, heavy duty mechanics and more. Must be available full-time (40 hrs/ week) March 16-27, 2026. Other requirements are physical ability to work outdoors, access to reliable transportation to and from construction sites across the Lower Mainland, CSA-certified steel-toed boots and work-appropriate clothing. [More info](#). **Apply by January 17, 2026.**

## POST SECONDARY EVENTS

### DUTCH UNIVERSITY COLLEGES WEBINAR

Are you hoping to take your post-secondary education abroad? Discover eight Dutch University Colleges that were established by top-ranked research universities in response to a growing demand for a more holistic type of education. The offered Liberal Arts & Science degrees foster critical thinking and academic excellence through unique curriculums and small class-sizes. Study and live together with students from all across the world. Register to [learn more](#) on **December 15, 11:00 & 19:00 CET (2 am & 10 am PT)**

## SCHOLARSHIP/AWARD/BURSARY INFORMATION

### WESTERN NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Various awards of up to \$70,000 are available, recognizing all-round excellence. Must have a +90% average on all relevant Grade 12 courses, demonstrated creative and innovative thought, exceptional achievement in extracurriculars (i.e. athletics, arts), a commitment to community service, and a passion for learning. We can nominate 4 students (plus 1 international student). Submit your completed [Western brag sheet](#) to [skaufmann@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:skaufmann@sd43.bc.ca) **by the end of Sunday, December 14.**

### SFU UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARS ENTRANCE AWARDS

Reminder: If you have applied to SFU and your grade 11 & 12 marks (in approved academics) average +90% you may be eligible for their entrance scholarships, up to \$60,000 for domestic students, and \$140,000 for international students. Strong extracurricular activities and references are required. [Apply](#) **by December 15.**

### FRENCH NATIONAL ESSAY CONTEST

If you are in grades 10, 11, or 12, you could win one of 100 scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$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

### STUDENT PARKING UPDATE

We are now at capacity for student parking in the upper parking lot.

**The upper lot is restricted for student pass holders and staff parking ONLY.**

Student parking for non-pass holders is available at the Coquitlam Alliance Church, which is a short walk away at the corner of Mariner Way and Spuraway Avenue. Students are to park towards the back of the church lot.

### GRAD PHOTOS

All remaining Grad photos will be taken at Artona's office or agreed upon location.

Please contact Artona directly ASAP to book. 604-872-7272 or <https://artona.com/bookings>

ATHLETICS



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CONGRATULATIONS TO SHIMA T.

Shima was named the BC School Sports Athlete of the Month for November thanks to her dominant performances in the pool at both Fraser Norths and Provincials.  
Congratulations Shima and good luck at the Ontario Junior Invitation Championships this week!

JUNIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL ‘BEST BUCKETS’ TOURNAMENT

Our school is hosting top junior girls basketball teams December 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>.  
Best girls kick off the tournament with the first game on Dec. 12 @3:30pm!

UPCOMING ATHLETIC EVENTS

DATE	TEAM	LOCATION/DETAILS
Tues. Dec. 9 @ 5:00pm	JUNIOR BOYS BASKETBALL	Exhib. Game @ Frank Hurt Secondary
Wed. Dec. 10 @ 6:00pm	SENIOR BOYS BASKETBALL	GW Graham Tourney vs. Unity
Wed. Dec. 10-Sat. Dec. 13	SENIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL	TBI Elite Tournament @ Langley Events Centre
Thurs. Dec. 11 @ 6:00pm	JUNIOR BOYS BASKETBALL	Exhib. Game @ Point Grey Secondary
Thurs. Dec. 11-Sat. Dec. 13	SENIOR BOYS BASKETBALL	GW Graham Tournament
Fri. Dec. 12 @ 3:30pm	JUNIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL	BEST Buckets Tournament. Game 1 vs. Seycove
Fri. Dec. 12 all day	WRESTLING	Pinetree Secondary Novice Meet
Sat. Dec. 13 @ 8:30m or 11:30am	JUNIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL	Best Buckets Tournament vs. TBD
Fri. Dec. 12 @ 3:30pm	GRADE 9 BOYS BASKETBALL	Exhib. Game @ Langley Christian