



THE “BEST” INFORMER



FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 2026

TODAY IS DAY 1

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



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

LAST CHANCE - THE 25TH ANNUAL PUTNAM SPELLING BEE

Staff and students there is only 1 show left! Be sure to check it out **TONIGHT!**

Tickets are only \$12 for students and \$15 for adults.

Come laugh, cringe and maybe even learn a new word or two!

SPRING FLING DANCE TICKETS NOW ON SALE

Grade 11 and 12's don't miss out on Spring Fling happening **Wednesday, April 8th!**

Student council is once again organizing this fabulous dance complete with DJ, drinks and snacks.

Tickets are on sale now for a limited time through SCO accounts (School CashOnline) for \$20 ea.

No guests please-this event is for Best students only.

<https://sd43.schoolcashionline.com/>

LOCKER CLEANOUT BEFORE SPRING BREAK

Students, before you leave for Spring Break on Friday, please dispose any food and drink from your lockers and take home any belongings that may need laundering.

OUTSTANDING COURSE SELECTIONS

Students, if you have not yet completed your course programming selections for next year, please see your Counsellor in your off block ASAP.

UPCOMING EVENTS & DEADLINES FOR INDIGENOUS STUDENTS

Indigenous Trades Sampler – **April 29–May 1** (Applications due April 15).

Indigenous students - KPU Open Doors, Open Minds – **April 30** (Register to attend).

Indigenous Grade 12 Honouring Ceremony – **June 2**

Register now for the Indigenous Grad Honouring Ceremony at The Casino Show Theatre.

Grad Fees Support for Indigenous students: ACCESS can cover grad fees. Call 604-251-7955.

Students can come to Nicole Bosshart's office (within the Counselors' Office MON, TUES, FRI) or see Mr. Papillo for support. Check TEAMS for details, or email Nicole at nbosshart@sd43.bc.ca

SEEKING GENTLY USED BACKPACKS

Ms. Leslie's Social Justice 12 class is doing a backpack drive for unhoused people.

If you have any no longer used backpacks taking up space in your closets, please consider donating them.

They can be dropped off in Room 305.

TUTORING SUPPORT FOR MATH AND SCIENCE

Charles Best Tutoring Services now has a website where students can sign up for tutoring, and parents can register their children. Tutoring is available for Math and Science courses from Grade 9 to 12. Programs provide additional support, practice, and guidance to help students strengthen their understanding and succeed in their courses. Students or parents interested in extra academic support can easily access these services

through the website:

[LAUNCHPAD Application](#)

YOUTH DRAGON BOAT PROGRAM

Nothing Dragon is looking for all interested teens aged 13-18 to come out and participate in a

FREE dragon boating experience. No experience required!

Learn how to paddle, drum and race in a dragon boat on **Monday, March 30th** @ 3:30pm at Rocky Point Park. All equipment will be supplied. <https://nothingdragon.org/>

Register with QR code:



CLUB EVENTS

TODAY - MUNCHIES FOR MIRACLES BAKE SALE

Munchies for Miracles Club is hosting a bake sale in the lobby **TODAY**. Assorted baked goods will be for sale and proceeds will be supporting BC Children's Hospital.

CAREER CENTRE NEWS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS

RBC IGNITE GRANTS

Are you a skill away from a great job? Students aged 16-20 who require financial support to help afford a course, certification or training (max. 12 months in length) can apply for \$1,500 grants. Eligible programs include Life Guarding, First Aid, coaching or refereeing courses, trades discovery, etc. **Deadline is March 31.**

More here: <https://www.rbc.com/dms/enterprise/scholarships.html>

MINERVA LEARNING TO LEAD PROGRAM

This free leadership program is for female and gender diverse youth in grades 10-12 to help them explore their leadership potential, build confidence, and create a supportive network for their educational and career journeys. Session dates are **Wed, April 8 | 15 | 22 | 29, 6-8 pm, online.** [Apply here.](#)

SFU SUMMER CAMP POSITIONS

If you enjoy working with children, are 16+, and are looking for a summer job, check out SFU Camp's instructor postings! Must have had your first paid position with a kids' camp or similar to be a competitive applicant. **Deadline is April 10.** [More info.](#) If you are hoping to gain some first experience this summer and are looking for volunteer opportunities, applications for SFU Camp volunteer positions will be accepted **starting March 25, 2026**, mark your calendar. [Details.](#)

MORESPORTS IS HIRING AFTER-SCHOOL INSTRUCTORS

MoreSports is looking for students who would make great role models for children. They are hiring after school coaches for various elementary and middle schools this Spring. **Must be in grade 11 or up.** [More info.](#)

BC YOUTH PARLIAMENT

Miniature youth parliaments run across the province of BC and are a beginner-friendly opportunity to develop public speaking skills and gain knowledge about parliamentary procedure! Gain insight into the political process, even if your civic engagement so far has been limited. **March 27-29**, Coquitlam City Hall.

Application deadline is March 21. [More here.](#)

CAMP IGNITE

Female students, currently in grades 11-12, will have the chance to explore the many aspects and specialties associated with firefighting. Camp Ignite is a three-night, three-day camp (August 7-9, Lower Mainland location TBA) that educates and inspires young women to follow their dreams. [Apply here](#) **by May 1.**

POST SECONDARY EVENTS

*****WATCH THIS SPACE FOR EVENTS HAPPENING SOON*****

GRADE 12 INFORMATION

Attention Grade 12s: If you have spare time on your hands during Spring Break, check out some scholarships. One starting point could be [the Career Centre website](#) with currently 30+ different opportunities listed.

DINNER/DANCE AND AFTERGRAD TICKETS

Grad's, get your tickets for dinner/dance and aftergrad on sale from **Friday, March 13th until Monday, April 13th** at 11:59pm through SCO accounts (School CashOnline). Please note there are 3 items for purchase: Dinner/Dance, Bus from downtown to Best, and AfterGrad.

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SCHOLARSHIP/AWARD/BURSARY INFORMATION

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RBC ELEVATE SCHOLARSHIP

40 x \$15,000 to help individuals attend post-secondary education. Only 500 applications will be accepted, deadline is **March 26, 1 pm**. [More info](#).

EAGLE RIDGE HOSPITAL AUXILIARY BURSARY

2 x \$2500 are available to graduating students in the Tri-Cities who are planning a post-secondary education in the field of healthcare. [Apply here](#) by **March 31**.

ARTS EDUCATION BURSARY

The Theatre Society Legacy Fund is providing multiple bursaries of up to \$2,000 each for Tri-Cities students who are intending to enroll in a formal arts program. Eligible are programs related to drawing, painting, sculpting, photo, digital art, music, dance, theatre, culinary arts, and similar.

[Apply here](#) by **March 31**.

BC RETIRED PRINCIPAL & VICE-PRINCIPAL ASSOC. BURSARIES

10 x \$1,000 scholarships are available to B.C. students who have demonstrated leadership and service within the school and community. Financial need will be considered. [Apply](#) by **March 31**.

BC TECH SCHOLARSHIPS

Up to 3 x \$2,500 for grade 12 graduates entering a technology-related field of study. [See details here](#). Applicants must show a passion for and involvement in the technology sector and must have a "B" average.

Apply by March 31.

MANULIFE LIFE LESSONS SCHOLARSHIP

Have you lost a parent or legal guardian with little or no life insurance and are struggling to pay for your post-secondary education? Various \$10,000 awards are available. [Apply here](#) by **March 31, 2026**.

CHARLES BEST INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIP PACKAGE

Grade 12s, applications are now accepted for our school-administered scholarships. 61 awards ranging from \$250 to \$2,500 are waiting for you. Criteria vary: Leadership, citizenship, school or community involvement, financial need, pursuing specific programs in post-secondary, achievement in a variety of areas, incl. athletics, applied skills, trades, languages, etc. You can find everything you need to know [here](#).

Deadline is Sun, March 29. Questions? See Ms. Kaufmann before Spring Break.

COQUITLAM FOUNDATION BURSARIES

Around 100 scholarships and bursaries starting at \$1,000. Submit one application to be considered for any award you are eligible for. Financial need will be considered, but various awards are merit-based.

[Apply](#) by **March 31, 2026**.

BCIT PATHWAY TO SUCCESS SCHOLARSHIPS

3 x \$3,000 are available for SD43 students entering a full-time first year technology, technical studies or trade program (excluding apprenticeship) directly from high school. These awards are recognizing well-rounded citizens, who have displayed leadership qualities, and have demonstrated that they are willing to work hard to achieve their goals. Commitment and drive are as important as formal academic standing.

Apply by Thu, April 2, 3 pm. [More info](#).

SD43 SCHOLARSHIPS – NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

Various financial awards are available for SD43 graduates, incl. the **Roughead Student Athlete**

Scholarship which is only open to CBSS graduates who will be playing a varsity sport at a Canadian post-secondary institution. You'll need a personal letter, a resume, and must complete an online application to be considered for as many awards as you are eligible for. [More info](#). **Deadline is April 15.**

ATHLETICS



Dr. Charles Best Secondary Athletics
Home of the Blue Devils
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For secondary sport updates and information...



[Follow Charles Best Athletics on Instagram here](#)

DUE TODAY - GOLF PLAYER FEES

All fees must be paid by March 13th including for the Blue Jacket Tournament.

(pay via School CashOnline or at office)

The Blue Jacket Tournament- **Tuesday, March 24th**- rain or shine event- includes a green fees and a hot dog and a drink- all paid players on the team are eligible.

You will receive an email and invitation from Coach Max once your golf fees and athletic fees are paid.

UPCOMING ATHLETIC EVENTS

DATE	TEAM	LOCATION/DETAILS
Fri. Mar. 13 @ 4:00pm	JUNIOR BOYS RUGBY	HOME game vs. Heritage Woods Sec.
Tues. Mar. 31 @ 3:30pm	SENIOR BADMINTON	HOME matches vs. Riverside and Carney
Tues. Mar. 31 @ 4:00pm	JUNIOR BOYS RUGBY	AWAY match @ Maple Ridge Sec.
Wed. Apr. 1 @ 3:30pm	JUNIOR GIRLS SOCCER	AWAY game @ Archbishop Carney
Wed. Apr. 1 @ 10:45am	SENIOR GIRLS SOCCER	Vs. Charles Tupper Best/Cent. Kickoff Tourney
Wed. Apr. 1 @ 12:30 or 2:15 (TBD)	SENIOR GIRLS SOCCER	vs. TBD @ Charles Best Best/Cent. Kickoff Tourney
Thurs. Apr. 2 @ TBD	SENIOR GIRLS SOCCER	vs. TBD @ Centennial Best/Cent. Kickoff Tourney
Thurs. Apr. 2 @ 3:30pm	JUNIOR BADMINTON	HOME matches vs. Riverside and Carney
Thurs. Apr. 2 @ 4:00pm	SENIOR BOYS RUGBY	AWAY match @ Gleneagle Sec.

