

Tuesday, May 5, 2026



ÉCOLE DR. CHARLES BEST SECONDARY

DAILY INFORMER

*****NEW and UPDATED announcements appear in RED*****

DAY 1



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

RED DRESS DAY MAY 5TH

May 5th is red dress day. To mark this occasion red dresses have been hung along Como lake and will remain outside for a week. This is a great opportunity to observe the dresses, read the biographies of missing women and girls and learn about this crisis. This project is to raise awareness of the ongoing genocide in Canada of murdered and missing Indigenous women and girls. (MMIW)

DRAMA 11 PRESENTATION

On **May 13th and 14th**, The Best Players/Drama 11 class is proud to present **Showcase**, a collection of Chekov comedies translated by Neil Simon. Box Office opens at 6:30 PM, Doors open at 6:45 PM and the show begins at 7:00 PM. **Admission by donation**, all proceeds go to a worthy local charity. These comedies are truly worm, funny and incredibly relevant today. We hope to see you there.

ON NOW - CITY OF COQUITLAM YOUTH WEEK

Recreation staff have planned a full week of drop-in and registered activities for Coquitlam youth at rec. facilities and City parks around the community including trivia nights, workshops, sports drop-ins and wellness activities **from May 1-7**. [Learn more here](#) or google Coquitlam Youth Week.

TALENT SHOW AUDITIONS THIS WEEK

Talent Show auditions are this week on **May 6th and 7th** after school, so please come and show off your talents!

It can be in groups, duos, musical talent, or even magical talents.

If you are wanting to audition with instruments, you must bring all your own materials (speakers, instruments etc.)

The show is planned for May 20th in the small gym. Tickets are by donation at the door!

Anyone is welcome, so please come and cheer our community of BEST talents!

ASSEMBLY DAY MAY 8

We will be running the following assembly bell schedule on **Friday, May 8**.

Grade 9-11 students will head to the large gym @ 10:39am.

Grade 12's will head to the small gym @ 10:39am.

All students are expected to attend.

BLOCK 1	8:21-9:25
BLOCK 2	9:30-10:34
ASSEMBLY	10:39-11:39
BLOCK 3	11:44-12:48
BLOCK 4	12:53-1:58
BLOCK 5	2:03-3:07

GRADE 9/10 ASSEMBLY

Grade 9's and 10's, did you know there are QR codes on posters throughout the school for you to choose activities at your assembly **May 8th**? Be sure to check it out!

CHARLES BEST IRON CHEF COMPETITION

Showcase your culinary skills in teams of 4 on **Thursday, May 21** from 3:30-6:00pm

Prepare an appetizer, main entrée, and dessert for a panel of judges. Prizes for the top 3 teams!

Sign up by May 11. Questions? Please ask Ms. Abdou.



DRAFT HONOURS LISTS

Only one week remains to check the DRAFT copies of honour roll lists in the main hallway.

The lists will only be **posted until Friday, May 8**.

Students are to meet with applicable teachers if they have questions about their grades and also need to fill out an inquiry sheet from the office which are only **available until May 8 as well**.

 **CLUB EVENTS**

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

**CAREER CENTRE****SUMMER SCHOOL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

Coquitlam School District's Summer Learning program is pleased to once again offer a volunteer opportunity for our secondary students. Successful volunteers will be placed in local elementary or middle classrooms and earn necessary volunteer hours as well as a letter of reference from their sponsor teacher.

Spots are limited so submit a completed application early.

Summer Learning Website: <https://ce43.augusoft.net//info/landing/summer-learning>
[Summer Learning 2026 Volunteer Application Form – SECONDARY STUDENT – Fill out form](#)

YMCA SUMMER WORK STUDENT EXCHANGE (SWSE)

Are you looking for a Summer job? This is your chance to work, travel and improve your French! This six-week program (June 27 - August 8) offers youth ages 16-17 the opportunity to gain paid work experience, practise their language skills, and discover another community within Canada. Program fee is \$200. Because of government sponsorship, this includes your travel to Quebec. **Apply by May 15.** [More info.](#) Questions?

Visit our YMCA-SWSE info table in the main lobby on **Thu, May 7**, after school.

CAREER SHOWCASE FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Explore your possibilities, get educated and inspired. 9 speakers from a diverse variety of career fields will each give an approximately 10-minute presentation that highlights the important aspects of their career. There will be 2 Q&A panels that include all speakers, and light refreshments will be provided. All students grades 9-12 from SD43 are welcome. Gleneagle Secondary School, **Friday, May 15**, 6:00-8:30pm.

MODEL UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE

The Youth Leadership Society of BC invites high school students from across the province to an academic simulation of the United Nations, where delegates engage in structured debate, diplomatic negotiation, and collaborative resolution of global issues, while developing competencies in public speaking, research, analysis, and international relations. May 23rd | Executive Plaza Hotel, Coquitlam. \$55/ delegate. [Register](#) by **May 17**.

ARTS UMBRELLA SUMMER INTENSIVE WORKSHOPS

- **ARCHITECTURE:** August 4-14, Mon – Fri, 10 am – 3 pm. [More info](#)
- **CONTEMPORARY ARTS:** August 4-21, Mon – Fri, 1 – 4 pm. [More info](#).

Apply by Fri, May 29, 8am (submit portfolio and letter of intent). These are unique (free) opportunities to develop skills and critical thinking, and to get a headstart on your portfolio for future post-secondary applications. Learn from professional artists, educators, and industry experts. Granville Island, Vancouver.

**POST SECONDARY**

*****PLEASE VISIT THE CAREER CENTRE WEBSITE FOR A LIST OF UPCOMING EVENTS*****

[Career Centre website](#)

**SCHOLARSHIPS****VANCOUVER KOREAN CANADIAN SCHOLARSHIPS**

Various awards based on academic excellence, active involvement in the community, leadership. Open to Greater Vancouver grads of Korean heritage attending post-secondary anywhere and also open to international (Korean) students who will be attending post-secondary in Greater Vancouver. **Apply by May 31.** [More here.](#)

CTA BARBARA VENGSHOEL SCHOLARSHIPS

\$500 each will be awarded to one student in SD43 pursuing a career in Trades, and one student in SD43 pursuing a career in Fine & Performing Arts. Based on demonstrated achievement in the chosen focus area.

[Apply here](#) by **June 1**.

CTA TRADES & ARTS SCHOLARSHIPS

2 x \$1,500 will be awarded to students in SD43 pursuing a career in Trades or a career in Visual Arts or Fine & Performing Arts. Based on secondary school coursework in the chosen area. [Apply here](#) by **June 1**.

CTA EQUITY SCHOLARSHIPS

4 x \$1500 are available to SD43 students who identify as Indigenous, Black, a person of colour, LGBTQ2S+, or a person with a disability. [Apply](#) by **June 1**.



GRADE 12 INFO

GRAD ASSEMBLY FRIDAY MAY 8

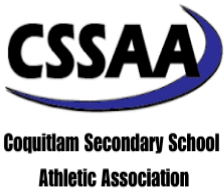
Grads, there will be an important grad assembly on **Friday, May 8 from 10:39-11:39am in the small gym.** This is a critical assembly to attend, as we will be talking about Dinner/Dance, After Grad, overall expectations, and listening to the Valedictorian Nominee Speeches. The expectation is that all Grade 12's attend.

CLASS OF 2026 – HAVE YOU WON ANY FINANCIAL AWARDS?

We would love to acknowledge your achievement by listing your scholarships & bursaries in our 2026 commencement brochure. Please take a moment to share your good news by scanning the QR code in the lobby or completing [this form](#). Even if you decide not to attend the awarding institution, it's still a big deal! (Submit one form for each financial award). Congratulations!



ATHLETICS



For secondary sport updates and information...



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BADMINTON UPDATE

Please congratulate all of our Junior and Senior badminton players who played in the district individuals over the last few days. Multiple players will be going to Fraser Norths in May!

An especially huge congratulations to our junior players who swept at districts and for the first time ever are bringing home a trophy!

UPCOMING ATHLETIC EVENTS

DATE	TEAM	LOCATION/DETAILS
Tues. May 5 @ 1:55pm	GOLF	ALL players @ Golden Eagle South
Tues. May 5 @ 3pm	SENIOR GIRLS SOCCER	Playoff game @ Thomas Haney
Wed. May 6 @ 2:45pm	GOLF	Select players @ Golden Eagle South
Wed. May 6 all day	MOUNTAIN BIKE	Fraser Norths @ Thornhill Maple Ridge
Wed. May 6 @ 3:00pm	JUNIOR GIRLS SOCCER	HOME playoff game vs. Burnaby North
Wed. May 6/Thurs. May 7 3:30-9:00pm	JUNIOR BADMINTON	Fraser Norths @ Pinetree Sec.
Thurs. May 7	SENIOR BOYS RUGBY	Playoff game vs. TBD /Location TBD
Thurs. May 7 @ 3:30pm	TRACK AND FIELD	District Championships Day 2 @ Town Centre
Fri. May 8 @ 2:30pm	ULTIMATE FRISBEE	vs. New West & Pinetree @ Pinetree Sec.