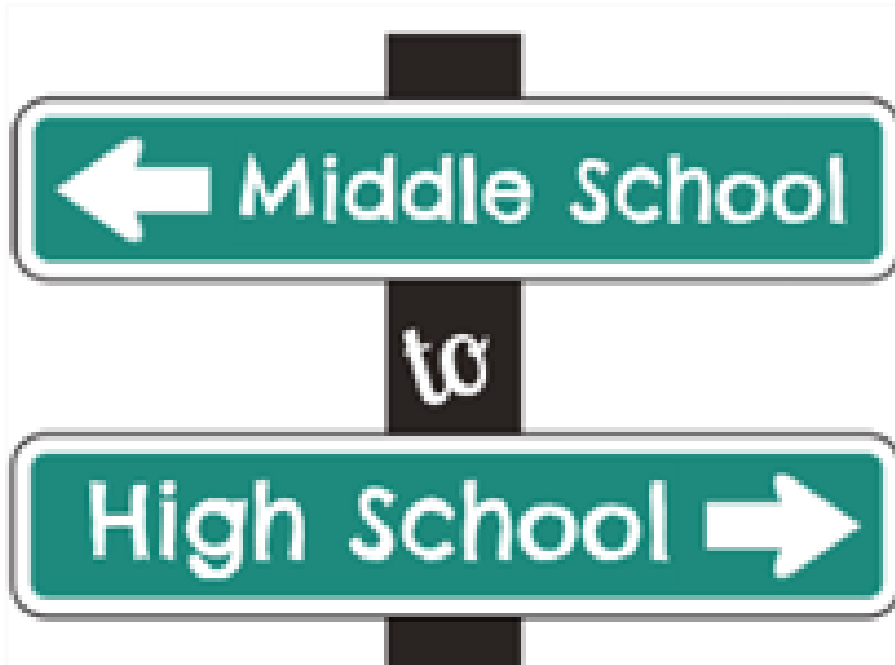


Grade 8 Parent Presentation

Transition to Highschool



Overview of the Presentation

- Introductions
- Transition to your catchment school
- Cross Catchment Process
- District Programs of Choice
- Late French Immersion
- Riverside
- Overview of Important Dates
- Next steps
- Questions

Introduction



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Change due to COVID

- ▶ Parent information sessions done virtually (from middle and highschools)
- ▶ School Tours in January will be done virtually
- ▶ Please stay tuned and keep an eye out for dates and changes as they come up

Catchment Schools

- ▶ Catchment Schools are based on your current address in our system
- ▶ There is a spot held for you at your catchment school, so there is no application required
- ▶ Your child will receive a letter from the school in December indicating their catchment school is
- ▶ For majority of Citadel students, the catchment school will be Riverside
- ▶ Students will go on a virtual tour of their catchment school in the new year and will fill out a course selection sheet for their catchment school

Cross Catchment

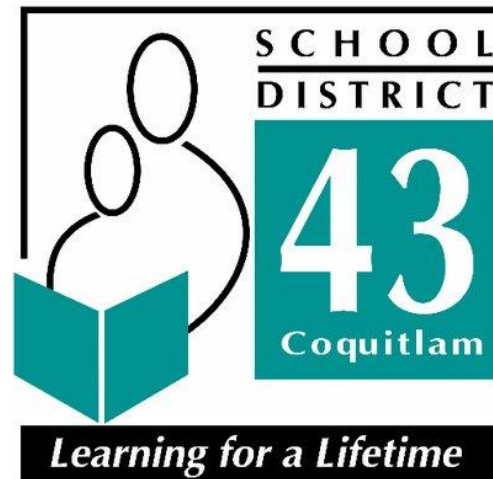
- ▶ If you are interested in attending a school in the district that is **NOT** your catchment school, you must apply for cross catchment. Applications are ONLINE.
- ▶ Applications will be accepted online from **Friday February 4, 2022 at 9 a.m. to Wednesday February 9, 2022 at 4 p.m.**
- ▶ Applications will be processed based on the **availability of space in schools** and by **RANDOM DRAW PROCESS** (using in-district priority then out-of-district).
- ▶ Families will be notified via email if they have been accepted
- ▶ If you are interested in applying for cross catchment, please visit; <https://www.sd43.bc.ca/Schools/Pages/CrossCatchment.aspx#/=>

Sibling Clause

- ▶ If a grade 8 student has a sibling at a non-catchment school already, **AND** that sibling will still be there in September, **AND** the grade 8 student wishes to attend that school:
 - ▶ They will be accepted to their sibling's school
 - ▶ You still have to fill out the cross-catchment application form (to confirm the sibling's status)
 - ▶ <https://www.sd43.bc.ca/Schools/Pages/CrossCatchment.aspx#/=>

District Programs of Choice

- ▶ Programs that are open to students across the district
- ▶ Do not need to apply for cross catchment
- ▶ Application/exam/interview process for entrance



TALONS

- ▶ Grade 9-12 at Gleneagle Secondary
- ▶ **Designed for gifted learners (Category “P”)**
- ▶ If you have a Cat P designation, then you will be sent an invitation to apply
- ▶ Invitations will be sent out by your Gifted teacher in early December
- ▶ A narrated PowerPoint will be shared to families with more information
- ▶ For more information, please visit the website;

<https://www.sd43.bc.ca/Programs/gifted/Pages/TALONS.aspx#/=>

- ▶ Applications will be due on January 12th, 2022



International Baccalaureate (IB) Program



- ▶ Port Moody Secondary School (PMSS)
- ▶ Pre-IB (Grade 9-10) IB Diploma (Grade 11-12)
- ▶ Designed for talented and highly-motivated students
- ▶ Challenging experiences in an environment of positive stimulation that comes from working within class groupings of similarly motivated and talented students.
- ▶ IB Foundations Courses (Grade 9) will include the material required for the Ministry course, but more emphasis will be placed on higher level skills including analysis, research, writing, problem-solving and working in cooperative groups.
- ▶ **Applications will open December 6, 2021 and will close at 4pm on December 17, 2021**
- ▶ Please visit the Port Moody IB Website for more information;
 - ▶ [IB Programme Registration Information - Port Moody Secondary School \(sd43.bc.ca\)](https://sd43.bc.ca/ib-programme-registration-information-port-moody-secondary-school)

Inquiry Hub

- ▶ Grade 9-12 at Millside Center
- ▶ Full-time secondary school program, offering innovative, technology driven, full-time studies which allows students to pursue their own learning questions by shaping their educational experience around their interests instead of structured classes
- ▶ Inquiry Hub is an innovative public secondary school in Coquitlam where self-directed students pursue their personal interests and dreams. About half of students' time is scheduled with standard classes, while the remainder is left unstructured, so that students can do coursework and have help pursuing what interests them.
- ▶ Open House on Dec 2, 2021 at 7pm [iHub Open 2021 – Inquiry Hub](#)
- ▶ Please visit the website for more information;
 - ▶ [The School – Inquiry Hub](#)



JumpstART (School Based)

- ▶ Program at Gleneagle Secondary for Grade 9
- ▶ JumpstArt is a thematically integrated, enriched Art/Humanities program where students earn credit for English, Social Studies and two Visual Arts courses simultaneously while working together for half of each day through the entire year
- ▶ This is a school-based program - **students must apply for cross catchment to Gleneagle (indicate “JumpstArt” for reason)**
- ▶ For more information please visit;
<http://www.jumpstartgleneagle.ca/> or

<https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/gleneagle/ProgramsServices/finearts/Pages/JumpstArtFAQs.aspx#/=>



EPIC Elite Performers in Coquitlam (school based)

- ▶ Students who are elite performers in athletics, dance, music, or performing arts
- ▶ Able to balance extra curriculums with Graduation Program requirements to achieve their potential in all areas
- ▶ For more information and to apply please visit;
<https://www.sd43.bc.ca/Programs/EPIC/Documents/Secondary%20School%20EPIC%20Program%20Information%20Guide%20and%20Application.pdf>

Honours (School Based)

- ▶ Purpose of honours is to provide challenge, faster pacing, more in-depth learning for students who are very strong in that subject and wanting enrichment
- ▶ Acceptance through application process (written exam and/or teacher form - differs school to school)
- ▶ Honours classes are available for some Grade 9 classes (school dependent)
- ▶ Allows access to Advanced Placement (AP) courses for grade 11 and 12
- ▶ Riverside has Honours classes for grade 9s in Math, Science and English
- ▶ If you are interested in Honours classes you can look at the previous (2018-2019) guide of Honours, AP and Specialty classes to get an idea of what is available at different schools;
<http://www.sd43.bc.ca/Programs/gifted/Documents/1%20SD%2043%20Secondary%20Opportunities%202018%202019.pdf>
- ▶ You can also look at your catchment school's website for more information

Late French Immersion

- ▶ Students in the Late French Immersion (LFI) 8 class will either be in catchment for Charles Best or Riverside based on their address
- ▶ If you wish to apply for cross catchment and/or a program of choice, this process would be the same as for all other students
- ▶ If you wish to transition back into the mainstream English program for high school, please let me (sjagpal@sd43.bc.ca) know.

Riverside

This is the catchment school for most of Citadel Students, please note Riverside is a 1-1 technology school for more information visit: <https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/riverside/ProgramsServices/Technology/Grade91to1/Pages/default.aspx#/=>

- ▶ To find more information on Riverside:
 - ▶ Stay tuned for more information as it becomes available
 - ▶ Visit the school website at;
<http://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/riverside/Pages/default.aspx>



Riverside

► Riverside has a number of special programs including:

► **Academics:**

- English 9 -12 Honours
- Mathematics 9 - 12 Honours, Calculus
- Science 9 and 10 Honours
- Advanced Placement
- [French Immersion](#)

► **Athletics:**

- [Hockey Academy](#)

► **Leadership:**

- Leadership (open to all grades)

► **Other specialty programs**

- [Riverside Course Information - 2021 - 2022 \(sd43.bc.ca\)](#)



Riverside Honours

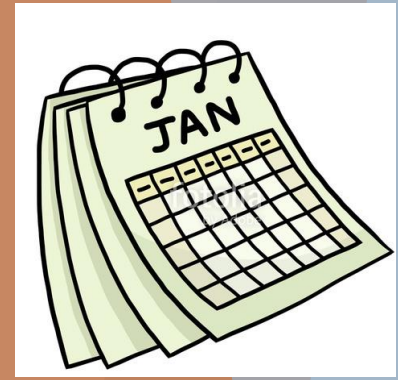
- ▶ Riverside offers honours courses in Math, Science and English
- ▶ Student must apply to honours on the Riverside website from January 5th to January 21st, 2022
- ▶ Students will have to complete an assessment online through Microsoft Forms



Riverside Important Dates

- January 5th – January 21st, 2022 - Honours application must be submitted online on the Riverside website
- January 12th - Grade 8 Parent Information Night - virtual presentation link will be available on the Riverside website
- January 25th- January 27th, 2022 - virtual assessments for the honours programs
- More dates TBD, Please stay tuned

Programs of Choice Important Dates



▶ (IB) Program

- ▶ Applications opened from December 6 to December 17, 2021
- ▶ IB Intake Assessments will take place on Saturday January 15th, 2022
- ▶ Students will be informed of their application status on January 28th, 2022

▶ Inquiry Hub (IHUB)

- ▶ Open House December 2 at 7pm [iHub Open 2021 – Inquiry Hub](#)
- ▶ If you are interested in applying, please check the website for more information

▶ TALONS Program

- ▶ By invite only - please refer to your invite for information
- ▶ Applications are due January 12, 2022

Course Programming...Stay Tuned

- ▶ The Course Programming process will begin after students have (virtually) toured their catchment schools
- ▶ This process will take place in the beginning of February
- ▶ Students are to fill in their course selection sheets for their catchment schools
- ▶ If/When they are accepted to a cross catchment school, they will be asked to fill in their forms for the school they will be attending
- ▶ It is extremely important that the course selection sheets are brought back on time!
 - ▶ This will help students get into the courses they want

What to do next...

- ▶ Look into any of the district programs/schools that your child may be interested in
 - ▶ Visit their websites and/or virtual tours
 - ▶ Apply to programs, write exams
- ▶ Students to attend virtual tours of their catchment schools in the new year
- ▶ Complete course selections on time
- ▶ Stay Tuned for more information - through your child, their classroom teachers, your catchment school, and/or on the Citadel website

Questions?

