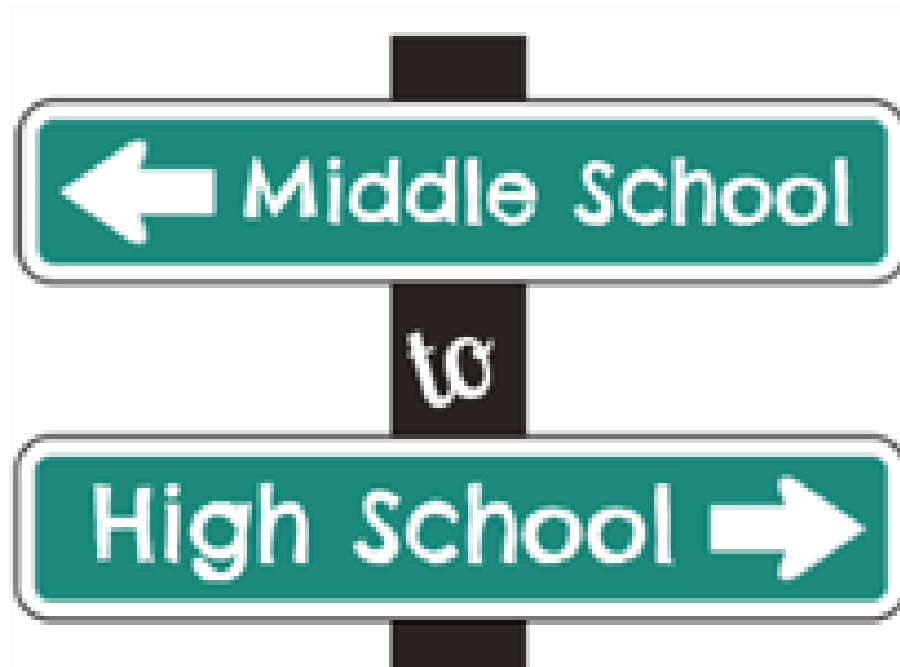


Grade 8 Parent Presentation

Transition to Highschool



Overview of the Evening

- ▶ Introductions
- ▶ Transition to your catchment school
- ▶ Cross Catchment Process
- ▶ District Programs of Choice
- ▶ Riverside
- ▶ Overview of Important Dates
- ▶ What to expect in the new year

****Please note that this PowerPoint will be available on the school website****

Introductions

Asia Sidhu, Counsellor : Monday (every other), and Wednesdays

E-mail: asidhu@sd43.bc.ca

Narissa Gulamhussein, Counsellor: Tuesdays & Thursdays

E-mail: ngulamhussein@sd43.bc.ca

****Please note that this PowerPoint will be available on the school website****

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
- ▶ You should have received a letter last week from the school indicating what your catchment school is
- ▶ For majority of Citadel students, the catchment school is Riverside
- ▶ Students will go on a tour of their catchment school on **January 24th, 2020**

Cross Catchment

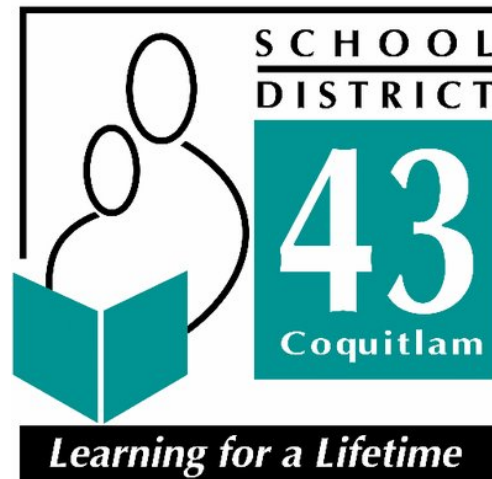
- ▶ If you are interested in attending a school that is **NOT** your catchment school, you must apply for cross catchment, Applications Complete ONLINE.
- ▶ Applications will be accepted online starting Thursday, **February 6, 2020 at 9 a.m. to Wednesday, February 12, 2020 at 4 p.m.**
- ▶ Applications 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 the week of **March 2- 6th, 2020**
- ▶ 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 every student 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 teachers
- ▶ More information on the TALONS program will be given to students with their invitation



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.



International Baccalaureate (IB) Program

- ▶ Information Nights will be at PMSS on **Tuesday, January 7 or Thursday, January 9 from 7:00-8:30 p.m.** in the Large Gym. If unable to attend or if you have any questions, contact Mr. Sean Lenihan, the I.B. Coordinator, at the school for information.
- ▶ Testing session: **Saturday January 18, 2020 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00pm** at PMSS.



Inquiry Hub



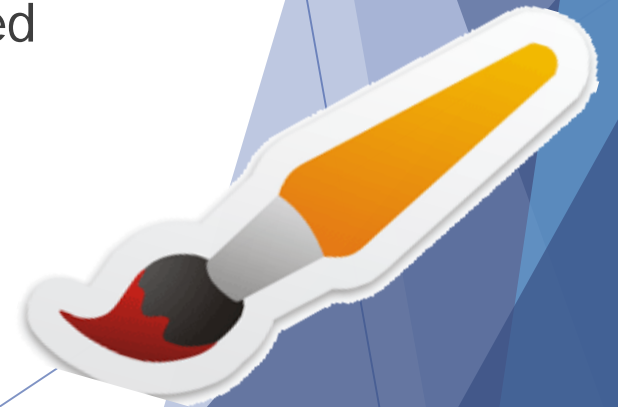
- ▶ Grade 9-12 at Millside Center
- ▶ Full-time secondary school program, offering innovative, technology driven, full-time studies which allows students to pursue their own learning questions by shaping their educational experience around their interests instead of structured classes
- ▶ Inquiry Hub 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.
- ▶ For more information, please visit the website; <http://www.inquiryhub.org/>
- ▶ To Apply: <http://www.inquiryhub.org/apply/>
- ▶ **Apply now if interested!**

EPIC- Elite Performers in Coquitlam

- ▶ Students who are elite performers in athletics, dance, music, or performing arts
- ▶ Able to balance extra curriculars 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>

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)
- ▶ Applications due by **March 13, 2020**. Acceptance is not guaranteed
- ▶ For more information please visit;
<http://www.jumpstartgleneagle.ca/>



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)
- ▶ Honours classes are for Grade 9 & 10 students
- ▶ Allows access to Advanced Placement (AP) courses for grade 11 and 12
- ▶ Riverside has Honours classes for grade 9s in Math, Science and English
- ▶ Honours Testing: 9 am January 24th ,2020. Morning of Grade 8. Tours. Bring a snack.
- ▶ If you are interested in Honours classes you can look at last school year's (2018-2019) guide of Honours, AP and Specialty classes for more information;
<http://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/montgomery/Documents/1%20SD%2043%20Secondary%20Opportunities%202018%202019.pdf>

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](#)
- Outdoor Education

▶ **Athletics:**

- [Hockey Academy](#)

▶ **Leadership:**

- [Multicultural Leadership \(open to all grades\)](#)
- Leadership (open to all grades)



Riverside

This is the catchment school for a lot of Citadel of 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:

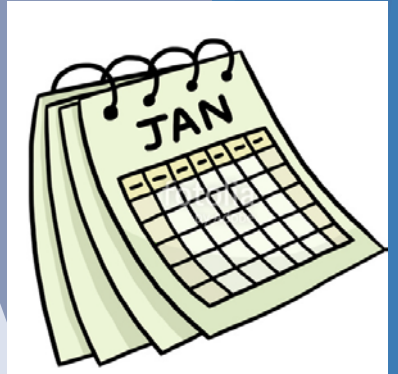
- ▶ Attend Parent Info Night for Specialty Programs on **January 15, 2020 at 6:30pm**
- ▶ And/or the Parent Programming Night for elective course selection on **February 5, 2020 at 6:30pm**
- ▶ <http://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/riverside/>



Programs of Choice Important Dates

- ▶ (IB) Program
 - ▶ Information Nights **January 7 and January 9, 2020** at 7pm at Port Moody Secondary in Large Gym
 - ▶ **Applications open from: January 8th - January 27th, 2020**
- ▶ Inquiry Hub (IHUB)
 - ▶ Open House has passed - Please contact IHUB directly if you have questions
 - ▶ **Applications are now open, they are due mid-February**
- ▶ TALONS Program
 - ▶ By invite only - please refer to your invite for information
 - ▶ **Applications are due January 15, 2020 at 1pm.**

Other Important Dates...



- ▶ Riverside Parent Info Night - February 5, 2020 at 6:30pm - 8: 30pm
- ▶ Terry Fox Parent Info Night - January 9, 2020 from 6:30pm - 7:30 pm in the theater
 - ▶ Note: Terry Fox may be some Citadel student's catchment school
- ▶ Riverside Hockey Academy Info Night - January 15, 2020 at 6:30pm at Riverside Secondary Auditorium.
- ▶ For other School Info Nights please refer to their websites for dates
- ▶ Grade 8 Tours (at Catchment Schools) - January 24, 2020
- ▶ Cross Catchment Open - February 6, 2020 at 9 a.m. to Wednesday, February 12 at 4 p.m.

Course Programming...Stay Tuned

- ▶ The Course Programming process will begin after students have toured their catchment schools
- ▶ This process will take place in February (February 4, 2020 Riverside will present to students at Citadel , February 5, 2020 info night for parents)
- ▶ 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 you may be interested in
 - ▶ go to the Parent Info nights, visit their websites
- ▶ Apply to other programs, write exams
- ▶ Students to attend Catchment school tours on **January 24th, 2020**
- ▶ Complete course selections on time (Due to teachers on **February 12th, 2020**)
- ▶ Stay Tuned for more information - through your child, their classroom teachers and/or on the Citadel website



**KEEP
CALM
AND**

**DON'T FORGET
TO BREATHE**

Thank You for coming!