



École Coquitlam River Elementary

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September 18, 2025

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| Thursday, Sept 18 | PAC meeting – 7:00 pm in the library |
| Friday, Sept 19 | Professional Development Day – school closed for students |
| Wednesday, Sept 24 | Early dismissal at 1:40 for <i>Welcome Conversations</i> |
| Thursday, Sept 25 | Early dismissal at 1:40 for <i>Welcome Conversations</i> |
| Tuesday, Sept 30 | National Day for Truth & Reconciliation – all schools closed |

Please regularly check the school website for calendar and event updates.

Professional Development Day Friday, September 19

The school district's first professional development day is tomorrow, Friday, September 19th. School is closed for all students.

Upcoming school closures and adjusted times are always posted on the calendar on the school website, as well as published here in the newsletter.



Some changes to the school organization

As some of you are now aware, the school and school district had to make the very rare decision to change the school organization after the placement of students in classes. This was necessary due to district-wide, and province-wide challenges hiring a replacement teacher for one of our French Immersion classes. As a result, one division was collapsed and some French classes were reorganized in order to be able to preserve French Immersion instruction at École Coquitlam River Elementary. An updated list of the school's divisions and teachers is below.

Divisions and Classroom Teachers at Coquitlam River Elementary this year

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| Div 1 | Ms. McKean/Ms. Pero | Grade 4/5 | Div 8 | Ms. Oliver | Grade K/1 |
| Div 2 | Ms. Bourget | Grade 4/5 | Div 9 | Ms. Veer | Grade K/1 |
| Div 3 | Ms. Triggs | Grade 3/4 | Div 10 | Mme. Cohen | Grade 4/5 FRIM |
| Div 4 | Ms. Peterson | Grade 3/4 | Div 11 | Mme. Poudre | Grade 3/4 FRIM |
| Div 5 | Ms. Record | Grade 2/3 | Div 12 | Mme. Kehoe | Grade 2/3 FRIM |
| Div 6 | Ms. Castro | Grade 1/2 | Div 13 | Mme. Yu/Welch | Grade 1 FRIM |
| Div 7 | Ms. Mcinney/Ms. Rao | Grade 1/2 | Div 14 | Mme. Joy | Grade K FRIM |

All adults to the office

Please note that all adults **must** check in at the office. As part of our security protocols, we ask that you do not go directly to classrooms. If your child is coming late, or you are picking up early, please come to the office and we will take the child to the class, or bring the child to the office for pick up. Similarly, if you are dropping off an item (backpacks, lunches, etc.) please bring it to the office and we will deliver the item to classrooms. This helps us to ensure we are aware of all adults in the building and we keep our school safe and secure.

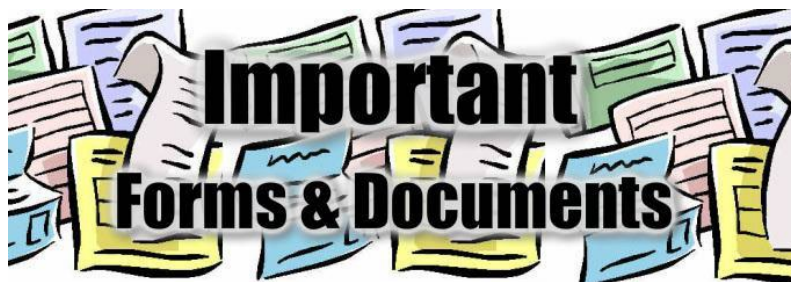
Attendance Procedures Reminder

At the start of the year, it's worth a reminder about ensuring we are aware of your child's attendance for each day of school. Of course, we encourage students to be at school as much as possible, but if they are sick...like any of us, they should stay home. If students will be away, please use the [attendance report feature](#) accessible on the front page of the [school website](#). If you are unable to access the website, please call the office after **8:00 am** at (604)942-0241 or send an email to CoquitlamRiver@sd43.bc.ca. We ask that you inform us of any absences before 9:00 am so we can account for all of our students' whereabouts.

Forms & Fees Checklist coming home

After some technical difficulties with our photocopier, please be on the lookout as a checklist will shortly be sent home with a list of the required and optional forms and fees that need to be completed (as soon as our new photocopier is repaired!). Most of our required documentation and all of our fees can be collected using your [School Cash](#)

[Online](#) account, which is available on the front page of the [school website](#). Please watch for the checklist with instructions and I ask that you complete the forms and fees as soon as possible. Attached below is a brochure with instructions for setting up your [School Cash Online](#) account, if you do not already have one.



Traffic safety reminders

Thank you to the many parents who are already following our traffic rules.

You may have noticed the presence of ICBC and RCMP community traffic safety staff on site yesterday, helping to make sure things are running smoothly and safely around the school.

As a reminder, the same rules apply to the traffic loop at *the rear* of the school as the front. That is, there is **no parking** of your vehicle in the loop, in front of the garbage bins, or in the designated daycare parking spots. **Do not leave your car**. If you are walking your child to the door or playground, you must park on Shaughnessy Street. The loop is for quick drop off only. Cars blocking up the traffic loop create backups on Shaughnessy, which makes travel difficult and potentially unsafe.

As much as possible, we encourage students and families who are able to walk or ride to school. It not only makes for better traffic flow, [research tells us](#) that students who walk to school – or part way to school when you have to park far away! – have improved metabolic and cardiovascular health, better academic performance and concentration, enhanced mental well-being and even better sleep. It's literally a win-win!

Following these simple protocols will allow for the safe, efficient movement of students and traffic as it enters and exits the property. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Seeking before and after school care

Out of school care is one of the most challenging issues facing families, with long waitlists when trying to find care. If you are aware of available out of school care, or are providing it yourself, please share that information with me by email at CoquitlamRiver@sd43.bc.ca so I can share with others. We're always keeping our ears open for quality out of school care options for families.

Student information verification forms

You likely received an email – or will shortly – from our MyEd system indicating that a new form available. On the front of the login page, you will see a *pdf* form with all of the contact information we currently have on file.

Please take a moment to carefully review the form. If there are any changes needed, please print out the form, make any changes, and send the revised form back to the school. If no changes are needed, you need take no further action. The report will appear on the front page when you login, under the 'Published Reports' heading.

As a refresher on the [MyEducation family portal](#), please log in using the following format:

Login ID: **43-youremail**

For example, your Login ID could look like 43-johnsmith@gmail.com

Use the email address we already have on file, from which you are receiving *this* email.

If you have forgotten your password, please use the "Trouble logging in?" button the login page.

If you are new to the family portal, you will receive an email with instructions on how to login for the first time. If you are experiencing difficulties, please contact the office at CoquitlamRiver@sd43.bc.ca with the following information:

- 1) Your full name
- 2) Your student's full name

You can login to the family portal here:

<https://myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspen-login/?deploymentId=aspen>



Growing bodies...growing appetites

As we move into our regular routines for the school year, it's important to monitor what is coming home in our student's lunch bags, and to periodically check in to see what's being eaten... and what isn't. A fed body makes for fed minds, and as our students grow, we sometimes need to adjust the amount of food being sent to school.

If your student is coming home from school *ravenous*, it might be a sign that a little bigger lunch or snack is needed. If a lot of food is coming home, it may be a sign that they're struggling to eat what is sent. Planning with variety and balance ensures they have the fuel needed for learning and play without waste.

Prepping for the change in weather

We wouldn't know it from the sunny start to the new year we've had so far, but this is a little reminder that our students do go outside to play...*rain or shine*. That does mean that being prepared for some wet days is an important step. Please make sure students have appropriate clothing available for whatever mother nature may throw at us, including boots, rain jackets, etc. Having backup clothing for those unexpected puddle visits is also a good idea!

Program Opportunities from Douglas College

Dear parents and/or guardians:

Douglas College is offering fun and engaging Fall programs each weekend for children ages 6–9 and 10–14. Join us for a season of activity, learning, creativity, friends, and fun. [Fall Programs | Douglas College](#)

LOCATIONS

Saturdays – [David Lam Campus, Coquitlam, 1250 Pinetree Way](#)

Sundays – [New Westminster Campus, 700 Royal Ave](#)

REGISTRATION & PROGRAM DATES

- **Registration is open now! All programs are 6 sessions long**
- **Session 1:** September 13 - October 26
- **Session 2:** November 1 - December 7
- **NOTE:** There are **no programs running on October 11/12** due to the Thanksgiving long weekend.

COSTS

- **Sports** programs are 1½ hours in duration x 6 sessions and are **\$69**
- **Computer-based** programs are 2 hours in duration x 6 sessions and are **\$89**
- **Arts** programs are 3 hours in duration x 6 sessions and are **\$129**

ACTIVITY OPTIONS:

- **Arts:** Junior Artists and Writers (Ages 6-9)
- **Sports:** Soccer, Volleyball, Badminton, Multisport, and Table Tennis. (Ages 6-9 and 10-14)
- **Computers:** Coding and Computer Design, JavaScript, Video Game Design, Computers (Ages 10-14) and Junior Computers (Ages 6-9)

NOTE: All participants must know how to use a mouse and keyboard to register for any computer-based program.

PROGRAM REGISTRATION & CONTACTS

- Please use this [link](#) to access the Douglas College website for additional program information and registration options.

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- Please use this [link](#) to access the Douglas College website for additional program information and registration options.
- Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Youth team at youthcamps@douglascollege.ca or by calling **604-527-5680**, or for **registration related questions** please call **604-527-5472**.
- If you would like to be removed from this email list please respond with "Remove me" in the subject line.

Welcome to SchoolCashOnline



School Cash Online is an easy to use and safe way to pay for your children's school fees.

- ✓ Conveniently make payments for student fees online
- ✓ Stay connected and informed of all school activities
- ✓ Never miss out on field trips, school events, yearbooks and more

All you have to do is register, attach your students and in no time, you will be able to make payments online.

How to Register

1. Go to <https://sd43.schoolcashionline.com/> and click on Register.

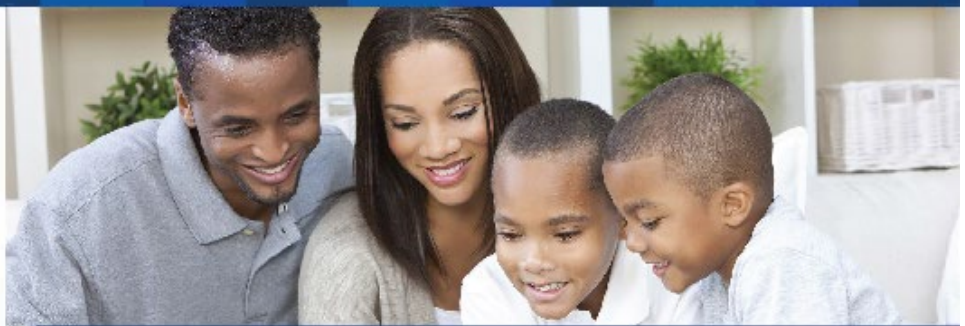
- ✓ Enter in your first name, last name, email and create a password.
- ✓ Select a security question.
- ✓ Check YES to receive email notifications

2. A confirmation email will be sent to you

- Check spam

3. Follow the instructions in the email.

Your email is used as your username in your profile.



How to Add a Student

1. Sign In to School Cash Online
2. Go to MY ACCOUNT.
3. From the drop down menu, select My Students.
4. Click to add a student.
 - a. Type in your School Board Name
 - b. Select School Name from the list.
 - c. Enter Student Criteria (as set by your School Board)
 - d. CONFIRM


You can add up to 8 students on your profile.

How to Make a Payment

1. You will be able to view any available items attached to your students that are set up on your account.
2. Select the item that you would like to purchase and click "add to Cart".
3. Once you have finished adding items to your cart, select "Check Out" to make payment.

You can pay for multiple student's items in one Check Out.

Payment Types Accepted

 Credit Cards  eCheck  myWallet



Stay connected by receiving email notifications of new fees.



Pay required fees any time, any



Never miss out on field trips, yearbook sales, and school events.



Students no longer risk carrying cash and checks to school in their backpacks.

FAQs

I've forgotten my password.

Click on the "Forgot your password?" link to reset your password. A temporary password will be sent to the email address registered with your account.

How secure are my purchases?

KEV Group's top priority is to keep your personal information safe. Go to <https://helpdesk.supportschoolcashonline.com> and see Security Policy and Privacy Policy.

What if I can't find my student?

Contact your school to confirm your student's details (sign up criteria) to ensure it matches exactly with what was entered in your school's records.

What if I can't see any items?

Each school creates their own items for purchase and assigns them to students. Once assigned, they will appear online under the student tab.

Need Help?

Go to helpdesk.supportschoolcashonline.com



School District 43 Coquitlam



Contact your school office directly for the following issues:

- ✓ You require a refund for items purchased on School Cash Online
- ✓ When adding to the cart, the item displayed prevents you from completing your purchase correctly
- ✓ You made a purchase on an item incorrectly and want to change your order
- ✓ You are missing items that you thought were available to purchase. Items are created by the school and School Cash Online displays those items for parents to purchase

How To Make Online Payments
for Your Student Fees using

SchoolCashOnline

Powered by **KEV GROUP**

Fast, safe, convenient

PLEASE DONATE USED
**HALLOWEEN
COSTUMES**
TO THE SCHOOL



Please drop off at
the front foyer
Thank you!



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**BASKETBALL
TRAINING SESSIONS**

BOYS GRADES 2-4

MONDAYS | 10 WEEKS
5:30-6:30 | STARTING SEP 22

MAILLARD MIDDLE SCHOOL

REGISTRATION:

\$99 (INCLUDES REVERSIBLE JERSEY)

EMAIL: JABOGS@GMAIL.COM

