

School District No. 43 (Coquitlam)

Heritage Mountain Elementary School

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We acknowledge we are on the unceded traditional territory of the Kwikwetlem First Nation, which lies within the shared territories of the Tsleil-Waututh, Katzie, Musqueam, Qayqayt, Squamish, and Sto':lo Nations.

DECEMBER 2025

November 28, 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
1	2	3	4	5	
SHARE Food		Reserve your seats	PAC Meeting 7pm	Report Card	
Bank Donation		for the Winter		Learning updates-	
Drive begins!		concert starting at		online-pm	
		10am today			
		through Munch-a- lunch!			
8	9	10	11	12	
Stage set up for	Early Dismissal	Hot Lunch Dominos			
concert – strong	1:50pm				
helpers are					
needed!					
15	16	17	18	19	
		Winter Concert-		Last Day!	
		9:15AM OR		9am Pancake	
		1:15 PM		Breakfast	
				Sing-a-long	
D				Assembly 2pm	
December 22-January 2					
WINTER BREAK					
Jan 5	Jan 6	Jan 7	Jan 8	Jan 9	
Welcome Back to			PAC Meeting 7pm		
School!					



Important Information

<u>It's Snow Time (Winter Concert) - Wednesday Dec. 17 - 9:15am or 1:15 pm</u>

Oh, we're so glad that winter is here! Grab your sled and let out a happy cheer because it's snowing, blowing all through the day. Winter winds will surely blow all your cares away!

The students of HME are eager and proud to present "It's Snow Time": a showcase filled with incredible musical talent, the hopeful anticipation of snow, and charming smiles that are sure to warm your heart this holiday season! Come watch the children light up the stage and bring festive music to our community as we prepare for a snow-filled winter break!

Wednesday, December 17, 2025

9:15AM or 1:15PM

Heritage Mountain Elementary School Gymnasium

Doors open 30 minutes before each show. Please enter via the exterior gym doors.

Reservations are Required

Limited Seating (Max 4 per family)

Reserve your spots via Munch-a-Lunch

Guests are permitted to attend one performance, not both.

RESERVATIONS FOR SEATS OPENS AT 10:00AM WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 3rd

<u>INFORMATION ABOUT USING MUNCH-A-LUNCH</u>

RETURNING USERS:

- 1) Go to: www.munchalunch.com/schools/HeritageMountain
- Log in to update your contact information. Phone # and email are important in order to receive information after orders or tickets have been purchased.
- Update your child's information. Be sure to select your child's proper grade, division, and teacher.

NEW USERS/HOW TO REGISTER:

- 1) Go to: www.munchalunch.com/schools/HeritageMountain
- 2) Click the "Register Here" button (as shown below). The system will guide you through the steps.
- 3) Before you can place orders, you need to 'Add a Child', enter details, Save.
- 4) Next time, just click the "Login Here" button to access your account. Active fundraisers are located at the top of the page.



*** If you have a Munchalunch account at another school, please contact support@munchalunch.com ***

What's Happening at Heritage Mountain Elementary



Help Needed! Monday December 8ths

We need strong helpers on Monday December 8th to set up our stage for the Winter Concert. If you are able to help out at 3:00 in the gym we would really appreciate it. With lots of help set up only takes about 15-20 minutes!

SHARE Food Bank Donation Drive

HME has a wonderful history of donating tons of food to our local SHARE Food bank. Like last year, SHARE has asked us to do things a little differently. Even though they receive large quantities of food, there are some very real challenges with food drives throughout the community, including:



- Large quantities of damaged or expired food being donated and then ending up in the landfill
- A mismatch between items most needed by those who use the food bank and items donated
- Large amounts of non-perishable or less nutritious foods being donated, versus SHARE's current focus providing meat, milk, eggs, fruit, and vegetables to the families visiting the food bank

When SHARE receives monetary donations, they use those funds to buy items in bulk (increased purchase power of every dollar donated) and focus on what is most needed by those they serve every day (meal supplements for seniors, perishable foods, infant formula, and culturally appropriate items for everyone).

Starting in December (with more information coming soon) HME will embark on a new way of giving to our local food bank. We will be collecting cash (coins and bills) at school as well as online. There will be information sent home to the school community, as well as reminders in planners during the month of December. We will update our students regularly with our growing tally and likely have information in the hallway and on announcements regarding what we've collected.

<u>Learning Updates (Report Cards) - parent portal</u>

www.myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspen/logon.do

Learning Updates (Report Cards) will be published on Friday December 5th in the afternoon. <u>Prior to December 5th</u> please ensure that you have logged into your myed account (parent username format will be "43-youremail") and that your password is current. Your password expires after 90 days and must be reset — use the "I forgot my password" option.

Reminder that your password must be a minimum of 8 characters, a number, and upper-case letter and a special character.

<u>Learning Updates (Report Cards) do not stay on the portal indefinitely</u>. Please print your child's Learning update so that you have it for your records.

Winter Weather Ahead!

Schools are not routinely closed due to snow or other inclement weather conditions. All schools in School District 43 (Coquitlam) will remain OPEN, if at all possible, during winter weather, including snowfall.



However, on occasion, a district-wide or partial-district closure is required due to extreme weather. Partial-district closures affecting individual schools may occur due to the very different geography within our school district. If there is a partial-district closure affected schools will be identified.

The decision on schools remaining open or needing to be closed, because of extreme weather, occurs **before 6:30 a.m**. so that families can plan and make alternate arrangements.

Any district-wide or partial-district closure will be decided and communicated by 6:30 a.m. via the School District 43 website www.sd43.bc.ca and CKNW AM 980 radio, CKWX 1130 radio and CBC (690) radio.

Extreme weather can also impact transit. Transit schedules may face significant changes or cancellations due to the weather conditions. Parents seeking information on transit schedules need to consult the Translink website: http://www.translink.ca/

We encourage families to continuously check the School District 43 website for updates and changes: www.sd43.bc.ca

Learn more about SD43's process for emergency and inclement weather status updates at: http://www.sd43.bc.ca/NewsEvents/Pages/EmergencyInformation.aspx

While the District tries to make the best decision with the information available, the weather does change quickly. Therefore, when schools remain open, decisions to stay at home during challenging weather conditions should be made by each family.

Lost & Found!

Has your child lost a coat? Hat? Vest? Jacket? Water bottle? Our LOST & FOUND area at the front of the school is OVERFLOWING!

Please stop by just inside the main office doors and have a look at the L&F clothing rack – and a reminder – Please put your child's name into coats/jackets and basically EVERYTHING. It makes it so much easier to get their belongings back to them.

Important Dates to remember!

Jan 8, 2026 9am-Jan 14, 2026 4pm Mon. January 26, 2026 Tues. Feb 3 – Thurs. Feb. 5 Feb 6, 2026 9am-Feb. 11, 2026 4pm Programs of Choice online applications School Based Pro-D –no school for students Kindergarten Registration online Cross Catchment applications online



School District No. 43 (Coquitlam) Heritage Mountain Elementary School School Calendar 2025-2026

Designation	Date(s)	
Schools close for Winter vacation (last day	Friday, Dec 19	
in session)		
Winter vacation period	Monday, Dec 22 – Friday, Jan 2	
Schools re-open after Winter vacation	Monday, Jan 5	
Pro D Day-School Based	Monday, January 26	
BC Family Day	Monday, Feb 16	
Pro D Day -District	Friday, Feb 27	
Schools close for Spring vacation (last day	Friday, Mar 13	
in session)		
Spring vacation period	Monday, Mar 16 –Friday, Mar 27	
Schools re-open after Spring Break	Monday, Mar 30	
Good Friday	Friday, Apr 3	
Easter Monday	Monday, Apr 6	
Pro D Day -District	Friday, Apr 24	
Victoria Day	Monday, May 18	
Pro D Day – School Based	Monday, June 1	
Last day of school for all students	Thursday, Jun 25	
Administrative day	Friday, June 26	

Early dismissals one hour earlier than normal dismissal:

Tuesday December 9 1:50 Monday March 9 1:50 Thursday April 30 1:50

Bell Schedule:

School Starts 8:52am Recess 10:25-10:40 Lunch 12:10-1:00 Dismissal 2:50

