

The Current - Monty Middle Newsletter

Monday, March 4th, 2024

Weekly Schedule of Events

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School				
Advanced Concert Band: @ 7:50am	Beginner Concert Band: @ 7:50am	Advanced Concert Band: @ 7:50am	Beginner Concert Band: @ 7:50am	Student government meeting 8:30am-9:30am
Lunch				
Open gym Music Room Library	Open gym Music Room	Open gym Music Room Library STEAM club	Open gym Music Room	Open gym Music Room Library Chess/ Bingo Rm 202
After School				
	GSA meeting	Harry Potter Club	Choir	

March Monthly Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
27 Gr 7 Boys BB playoffs	28 Gr 7 Girls BB playoffs	1	2	3. Monty Spirit Wear Student Gov meeting 8:30am
4	5 SFU Adv 18 & 19	6 SFU Adv 15, 16 & 17 Me N Eds Pizza Fundraiser	7 Wrestling District Finals SFU Adv 8 & 9 Spring Band Concert	8 Entrepreneurial Fair Student Gov meeting 8:30am Hot lunch
11	12	13 Report Cards Live Pi Contest	14	15 School Wide Public Speaking Finals Student Gov meeting 8:30am Birthday Club
18 Spring Break Begin No School	19 Spring Break	20 Spring Break	21 Spring Break	22 Spring Break
25 Spring Break	26 Spring Break	27 Spring Break	28 Spring Break	29 Spring Break

Mrs. Husband's For Your Consideration- School Attendance, The Hard Facts



Why is school attendance important?

This article was adapted from information found at attendanceworks.org and in Sprick, J. and T. Berg. 2019. Teacher's Guide to Tackling Attendance Challenges. ASCD

Chronic absenteeism (18 or more days absent from school) is a primary cause of low academic achievement, and a powerful predictor of which students may eventually drop out of school. Importantly, it does not matter if absences are excused or unexcused. Missing school for any reason means lost learning.

There are years that serious health problems or family circumstances arise and school absences can not be prevented. All schools appreciate families who keep their child home when their child is contagious with flu, a heavy cold or COVID. One of my own children missed school when she suffered a series of serious concussions. Gradually, she got back to daily attendance by initially attending part time each day. Being at school every day even for part of the day is more important than a few days per week. Regardless of our efforts the absences had an impact on her learning and social connections.

When children miss school or regularly arrive late, they miss out on fundamental reading and math skills, and each successive year of chronic absenteeism means the risks of reduced learning is compound. Affected students also lose the chance to build a habit of good attendance that will carry them into work, college and careers.

Poor attendance can influence whether children read proficiently by the end of third grade or will fall behind. Who can read at grade level by the end of third grade? 64% of students who had good attendance at kindergarten and first grade, versus 17% of students who were chronically absent in kindergarten and first grade.

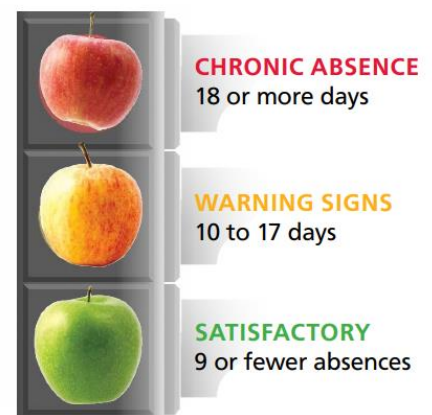
As students progress through school, those who are chronically absent have consistently lower grades and test scores. By 6th grade, chronic absence becomes a leading indicator of whether a student will drop out of high school and be left without the academic credentials and skills needed to move on to post-secondary education and compete in a 21st century workforce.

Students who are regularly absent have a hard time forming and maintaining peer connections. Students simply move on and choose to work with classmates who are there. In their absence groups are made for projects and when they return, they feel behind.

What can you do to help?

1. Have a regular bedtime.
2. Keep all technology out of the bedroom.
3. If possible, have a backup plan to get to school if something comes up. Call a family member, a neighbour or another parent or teach (and practice) your child to take the bus.
4. Schedule medical and dental appointments outside of school hours.
5. Plan family holidays during school breaks.
6. Be a good model by going to work regularly and on time.
7. If your child is anxious about going to school, talk with teachers, the school counsellor or administrators.
8. If attendance (including being on time) is a concern, talk about it and set a realistic goal.
9. Connect a weekly attendance goal with a preferred activity on the weekend. When then....

When Do Absences Become a Problem?

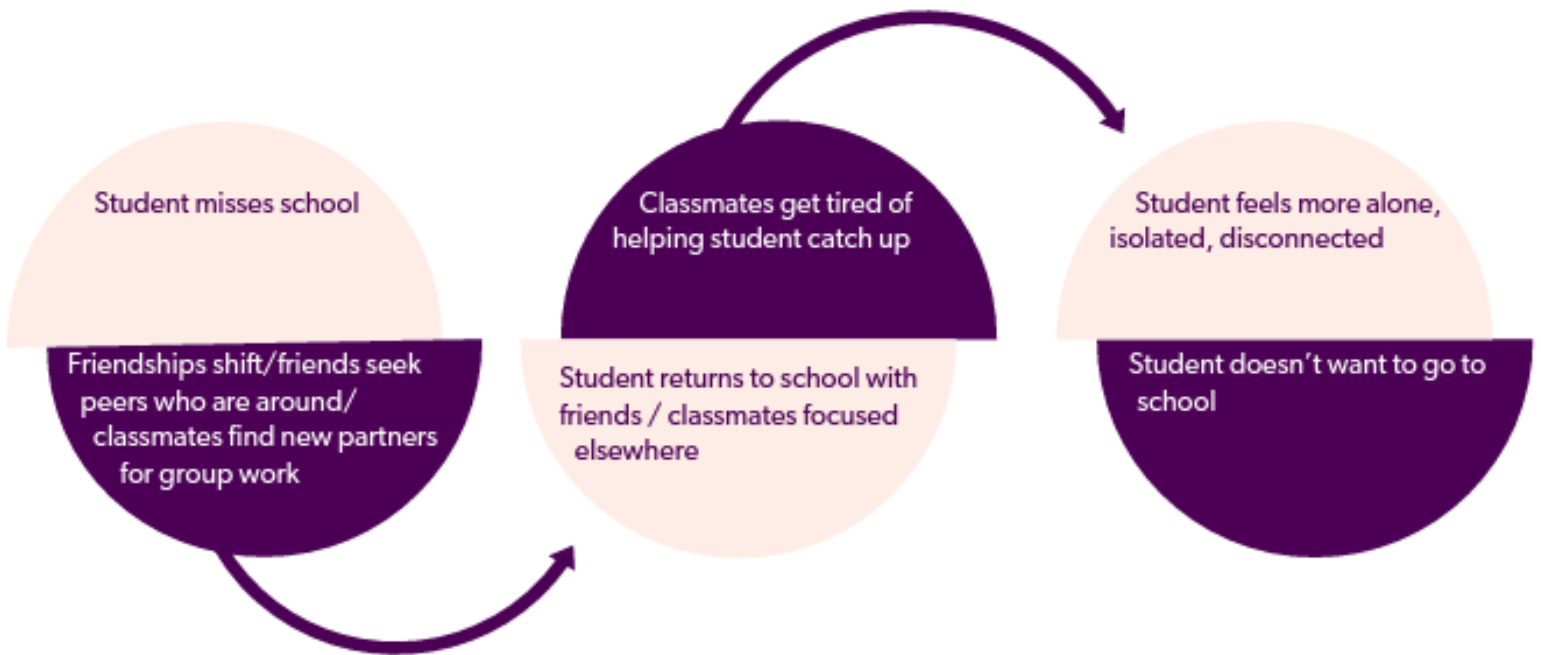


Note: These numbers assume a 180-day school year.



Keep Your Child On Track in Middle and High School: Pay Attention to Attendance

The cycle of school non-attendance.



PAID NOON HOUR SUPERVISORS FOR ECOLE MONTGOMERY MIDDLE

SD43 needs a temporary and permanent Noon Hour Assistants to supervise students indoors and outdoors during lunch break (one hour per day) within an assigned area. Previous experience working with groups of children is an asset and training and support for the job is provided. This is a great way to get insight into the day to day lives of students.

Please submit your resume by email to Kristy Kozak, Human Resources Advisor, @ kkozak@sd43.bc.ca if you are interested in becoming a Noon Hour Assistant for the school.

Volunteer and Donation Opportunities

Event	Date	Needs	Contact
Track and Field Timers	Once or twice a week after school	April/ May	shusband@sd43.bc.ca

Sports Update

A massive thank you to all the coaches who made the Basketball and Wrestling Season possible. This week teams are competing in district playoffs/meets. We wish all players well as they head into their final competitions. Go Monty!



After spring break the badminton, rugby, and track and field teams will get underway. All players are welcome, and no experience is needed. Mountain Biking will also be underway and there are some requirements for this club in terms of equipment.

Public Speaking



Students are currently completing their class speech finals to select team finalists in preparations for the school finals. Each year we see the hard work and preparation that every student puts into getting ready to present their speech.

For some students (and adults) speaking in front of a group of people is a nerve raking task. Please encourage your child to practise in front of a mirror, to follow the assignments criteria and to practice deep breathing to help them remain calm. A huge congratulations to all our Montgomery students for participating in our public speaking. Speaking in front of a group is an important life skill that we use at weddings, funerals, throughout high school and post secondary schooling and in many jobs.

PAC News and Events

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 23rd, 2024 - 7:00pm – Montgomery Library

A reminder that all parents/guardians are automatically part of the PAC if they have a child enrolled at Montgomery Middle. We would love to see more of you involved in planning fun events and activities for our kids!

There is no PAC meeting in March. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, April 23 at 7pm, in the Montgomery library. Come by to help us plan, and to see a report from one of our administrators about what our kids have been up to!

Pizza night is this Wednesday, March 6. Order pizza from Me & Ed's on Austin Ave, mention Montgomery Middle, and we get 20% of proceeds. Funds will be used towards this year's Grade 8 Leaving Ceremonies.

There will be two more hot lunches and one more treat day in April, May, and June. Stay tuned for dates and restaurants.

Ongoing:

We are once again accepting donations to the PAC through Montgomery Middle. If you wish to make a donation straight to the PAC, you can log in to School Cash Online and find it under your child's name.

PAC has set up an account with Return-It Express. Put all your empty pop, juice, alcohol, and milk containers in a see-through plastic recycling bag, and take it to any Return-It Location. Once there, go to the Express label printer, put in the school's phone number (604-939-7367), and print a label. Put the label on your bag, drop the bag off, and our account will get credited with the deposit returns.

For more information about how you can help or get connected, email montymiddlepac@proton.me. Or check out the PAC section of the school website, where you can find meeting minutes and other information.



MARTIAL ART SELF-DEFENSE

After School Program

APRIL 2024

3:05PM - 4:05PM

\$120

10 sessions

Montgomery Middle

www.afterschoollife.ca

registrationca@afterschoollife.org

604 800-3435



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AFTER
SCHOOL
PROGRAM

\$170
10 sessions

PAPER
COLLAGE & CUT PAPER

ART
APRIL 2024



CODING



GAME CREATION

SPACE VS. ALIENS

Expand your coding skills with Game Creation. Dive into the world of programming through fun game building, using user-friendly drag-and-drop language to make interactive projects. No previous experience necessary - bring your enthusiasm for fun and coding exploration!

8 - 16 Students
April - June (7 - 8 sessions)
3 - 4 PM
\$120



****Please note that registration information will follow at a later date. You will be notified via email with registration instructions.****



Summer Learning

2023

Eight locations, Tuesday July 11 - Friday July 28 9:00am-12:00pm. K to 1 transition, English for Beginners, Visual & Performing Arts, French Immersion, Integrated studies, Math, Reading & Writing, Coding (Info tech), Outdoor Science, STEAM, and more!
Free to all BC residents*.

Elementary

Three locations, Tuesday July 11 - Friday July 28 8:45-11:45am. Band, Guitar, Creative Writing, Drama/Improv, English for Beginners, Guitar, Home Ec/Culinary, Integrated studies, English and French Immersion Language Arts, Mathematics, PE/Leadership, Coding (Info Tech), Outdoor Science, STEAM, Tech Ed, Visual & Performing Arts, and more! Free to all BC residents*.

Middle

Two locations, Tuesday July 11 - Friday July 28 8:30-11:30am OR 12:00-3:00pm. English, English for Beginners, IB Math & Science, Concert Band, Science, Home Ec, Sewing, 2D Animation, Metal and Wood Tech Ed, Math, Coding (Info Tech), Skills for Success. Free to all BC residents*. These non-credit courses may be taken to review previously covered course content OR preview a course. Academic Completion 9/10 (earn a passing mark) also available, by referral.

Secondary Skill Building

Two locations, Wednesday July 5 - Thursday August 10 8:00-11:30am OR 12:00-3:30pm. Biology 11,12; Career Life Education 10; Chemistry 11,12; EAL 10,11; English 10,11,12; English First Peoples 11,12; Mathematics 10,11,12; Physics 11,12; PHE 10; Socials 10,11.

Secondary Full Credit OR Online Blended Fast Track Credit

Check out the SOYL full day program on our website!

Registration begins...
- Elementary: Tuesday May 2
- Middle & Secondary Skill Building: Friday May 5
- Secondary Full Credit: Wed. May 10
Phone 604-936-4261 for assistance.
*SD43 Residency requirements apply

To Register

WWW.SD43SUMMERLEARNING.CA / Phone 604-936-4261



Courses and locations listed above are subject to change

KidSport

So ALL Kids Can Play!

Saturday,
March 4th

10am–1pm

USED EQUIPMENT SALE



RIVERSIDE SECONDARY

**2215 REEVE ST
PORT COQUITLAM**

Admission by

donation or non-perishable
item to the **SHARE food bank**

SAVE on your family's sports equipment!

The KidSport Used Equipment Sale has everything from bikes and hockey gear to fitness equipment, wetsuits, and more!

Open to Everyone!

equipment for **ALL** kids and adults!

Outfit a child for lacrosse or hockey, including helmet, stick, and/or skates for approximately \$100!

GIVE back! Donate your gently used* equipment

From *February 22 – March 3*, donate your used equipment at the following locations:

- Port Moody Recreation Complex (main lobby)
- Poirier Sport & Leisure Complex (main lobby)
- Port Coquitlam Community Centre (Arena 3)

www.kidsporttricity.ca

*gently used
equipment is:

- less than 6 years old
- in good condition
- wearable for league sports

Dear Parents/Students,

As the lacrosse season approaches, we're excited to extend a warm invitation to all students of SD43 to join us this spring and experience the thrill of lacrosse! Whether you're a seasoned player or completely new to the sport, there's a place for everyone in Coquitlam Minor Lacrosse.

NEW PLAYERS: This is your chance to shine! We're thrilled to announce that our special offer for all **NEW U7 & U9 players** has been extended. Sign up by March 1st and you'll receive a **FREE Complete JR lacrosse stick**, valued at \$100! It's the perfect opportunity to get started in a dynamic and exhilarating sport while equipping yourself with top-notch gear.



Here's why you should consider joining Coquitlam Minor Lacrosse:

- 1. Fun and Inclusive Environment:** Our league prides itself on fostering a positive and inclusive atmosphere where players of all skill levels can thrive. From beginners to advanced athletes, everyone is welcome!
- 2. Develop Essential Skills:** Lacrosse is a fantastic way to develop crucial athletic skills such as hand-eye coordination, agility, and teamwork. Our experienced coaches are dedicated to helping each player reach their full potential.
- 3. Build Lifelong Friendships:** Through teamwork, camaraderie, and shared experiences on and off the field, players forge lasting friendships that extend far beyond the lacrosse season.
- 4. Stay Active and Healthy:** With lacrosse, staying active has never been more exciting! Joining our league is a fantastic way to stay fit, healthy, and engaged in a sport you love.

Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity to join the Adanacs Legacy Simply visit our website [REGISTER HERE](#) to sign up **today**.

Let's make this lacrosse season one to remember. We can't wait to welcome you to the Adanacs family!

For more information or questions email: 2vp@coquitlamlacrosse.ca



TRI CITY YOUTH BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

Dear Parents, Players & Members,

We are pleased to announce our Spring 2024 Development League registration will open for current Fall / Winter 2024-25

New Player registration will begin February 27, 2024.

The Spring 2024 Registration Phases are outlined below. Please ensure you are registering during the appropriate Phase. [Visit our website](#) for more details and to register.

Player Registration must be completed online and all registration phases will open at 6am.

PLAYERS

SPRING 2024 ROOKIE LEAGUE (KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE 3)

REGISTER NOW

SPRING 2024 DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE (GRADES 3 TO 12)

REGISTER NOW

ADULT SCRIMMAGE SESSIONS

REGISTER NOW

SPRING 2024 ELITE TEAM TRY-OUTS

REGISTER NOW

SPRING BREAK CAMP 2024

REGISTER NOW

TRI CITY
THUNDER



TC Thunder Minor Baseball Association



Register Online Now!

New and Returing Players

<https://www.tcthunder.ca/register-online/>

Follow us on Instagram

@tcthunderminorbaseball

or Facebook

@Tri City Thunder Minor Baseball Association



REGISTER NOW!



FREE EVENT FOR FAMILIES!

Overcoming Addiction, Mental Health Challenges, and Homelessness with Guy Felicella



Tuesday, March 5, 2024
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
Centennial Secondary
School Theatre

SD43 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY LEARNING SERIES 2024

Register today at:
sd43.bc.ca/familyseries

SCAN HERE

Join the Tri-City Eagles Field Hockey Club

- Minis & Mites Registration Will Remain Open At Early Bird Pricing Until March 1st !!!
- Scan the QR Code Above For Direct Link To Our Web Registration Page

FOLLOW US 
@tcefieldhockey

OR GO TO:
TCFIELDHOCKEY.COM/REGISTRATION

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