



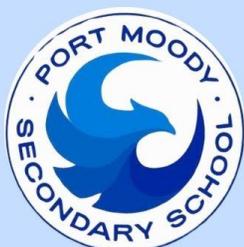
Port Moody Times

Tuesday

March 31, 2026

Day 1

Every Friday is Blues Friday!



2 WEEKS AT A GLANCE

WEEK OF MARCH 30-APRIL 3

MON-30	TUES-31	WED-1	THUR-2	GOOD FRIDAY -3	SAT/SUN-4/5
DAY 2 VALEDICTORIAN APPLICATIONS OPEN	DAY 1 SENIOR BADMINTON @HOME 3:30-7:30 INTERNATIONAL TRANS DAY OF VISIBILITY	DAY 2 SPRING MUSICAL TECH UNIFIED BASKETBALL @PMSS 3:30 GIRLS RUGBY @BANTING 4PM	DAY 1 PASSOVER JUNIOR BADMINTON @HOME 3:30-7:30 SENIOR BOYS RUGBY @ BANTING 4PM ULTIMATE @ FAVELLE FIELD 4:30PM	SCHOOL CLOSED	HAPPY EASTER

STAFF SHOWDOWN@ LUNCH IN MPR FACE THE COOKIE!

Sikh Heritage Month



GENOCIDE AWARENESS & PREVENTION MONTH



DINNER DANCE & AFTERGRAD TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE

WEEK OF APRIL 6-10

MON-6	TUES-7	WED-8	THUR-9	BLUES FRIDAY -10	SAT/SUN-11/12	LOOKING AHEAD
EASTER MONDAY SCHOOL CLOSED	DAY 2 SPRING MUSICAL DRESS REHEARSAL 3-8PM PAC MEETING 7PM	DAY 1 UNIFIED BASKETBALL @RIVERSIDE 3:30 INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PINK OPENING NIGHT 7PM	DAY 2 VALEDICTORIAN NOMS DUE BY 4PM GRADE 12 ASSEMBLY (GYM) 1:50-3:05 AFTERGRAD MTG. 7PM	DAY 1 PMS BADMINTON TOURNAMENT INVITATIONAL 3-9PM DRUMLINE & WINDS COMPETITION	PMS BADMINTON TOURNAMENT INVITATIONAL 8AM-8PM (SAT)	APRIL 13: STAFF MEETING APRIL 14: GRADE 8 ARTICULATION APRIL 14: JHSC MEETING APRIL 15: TERM MARKS/COMMENTS DUE APRIL 15/16: DINNER DANCE SEAT SEL APRIL 20-22: LITERACY/NUMERACY APRIL 20: LEARNING UPDATE PUBLISHED APRIL 23: TEACHER CONFERENCES APRIL 24: EXCELLENCE BREAKFAST APRIL 24: PRO-D

STAFF SHOWDOWN@BLUES & COLOUR CHALLENGE

DINNER DANCE & AFTERGRAD TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE

GRAD DINNER & DANCE/ AFTER GRAD

Dinner & Dance and After Grad tickets are now available for purchase online until May 1st.

All outstanding fees must be paid and school policy forms must be completed before students can pick their seats for Dinner and Dance. Please log onto your CashOnline account to check for any outstanding/ incomplete items.

Seat selection begins April 21st – 23rd.

After Grad tickets are only available for students who are planning on going to Dinner & Dance.

LIBRARY PHONE CHARGER

The library phone charger is back in service as of, Monday, March 30th, with some changes.

Starting on Monday students using the library phone charger will exchange their phone for a wooden token when placing their phone in the locker. This token can then be placed in the classroom phone hotel.

When retrieving their phone from the charging locker students return the wooden token to the locker for the next user to take.

Please ask a member of library staff for help as we implement this new system.

Thank you - Library staff.

LAW & RELATIONS CLUB VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY

The Law & Relations Club is looking for volunteers to help deliver presentations to local middle school classes on the basics of law and related topics. Volunteers will help give approximately **one-hour presentations** introducing students to foundational legal concepts in an engaging and youth-friendly way.

Presentations will likely take place **between April 9–17 (after Spring Break)** during school hours. In the coming weeks, volunteers will be provided with **lesson plans and support in developing their presentations**.

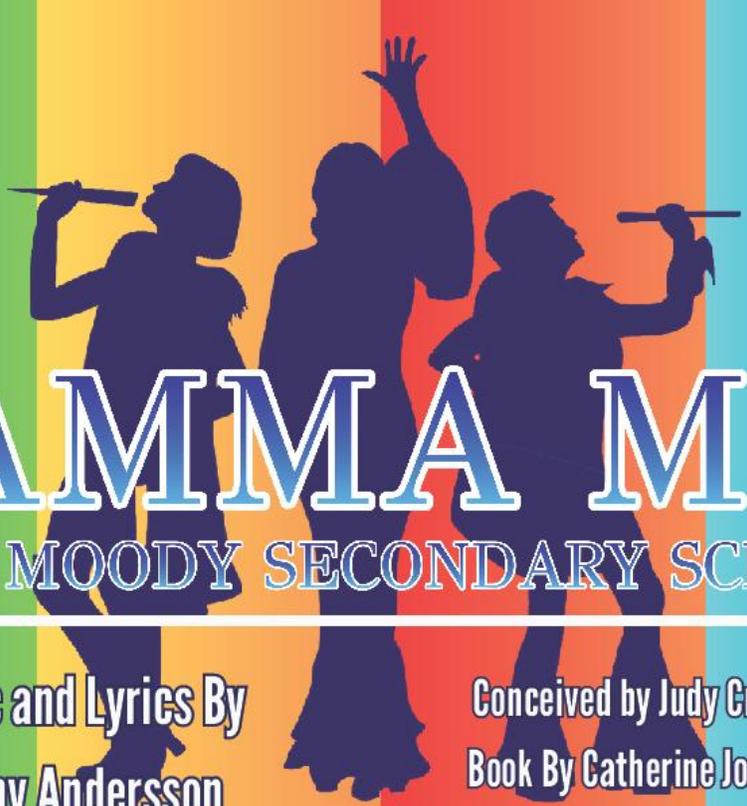
This is a **one-time commitment**, making it a great opportunity for students with busy schedules who are interested in law, public speaking, or community outreach.

If you are interested in participating, please fill out the **sign-up form linked below**.

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/TzCTNryZ9C?origin=lpLink>

MAMMA MIA - APRIL 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17 - BUY TICKETS NOW!

Get ready to be swept away to a sun-soaked Greek island as Port Moody Secondary School proudly presents Mamma Mia! The Musical—a sparkling, feel-good production bursting with energy, heart, and the timeless hits of ABBA. Featuring a double cast of talented Port Moody Secondary performers, Mamma Mia! promises an unforgettable night of music, laughter, and joy. There will be a different cast each week, so check with your student to see which week they are performing. Buy your tickets here: [Theatre - Port Moody Secondary School](#)



MAMMA MIA!

PORT MOODY SECONDARY SCHOOL

**Music and Lyrics By
Benny Andersson
Björn Ulvaeus**

**Conceived by Judy Cramer
Book By Catherine Johnson**

**Additional Materials & Arrangements By
Martin Koch**

Music published by UNIVERSAL USC PUBLISHING GROUP and EMI GROVE PARK MUSIC inc. and EMI WATERFORD MUSIC inc.



**All performances take place at
Port Moody Secondary School
300 Albert Street, Port Moody**

**April
8, 9, 10
15, 16, 17**

**Tickets \$10 for Students
and \$15 for Adults**

MAMMA MIA! is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI).

All Authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI.

www.mtishows.com

VALEDICTORIAN 2026

Congratulations 2026 Grads! This year we will have 2 Valedictorians (co-valedictorians). One student will represent the Standard Graduation Program, and the other will represent the IB Program (either the diploma or the certificate).

THE NOMINATION PROCESS:

-If you wish to be class Valedictorian for the Class of 2026 you **MUST** provide the names of **TWO** teachers who you feel would highly recommend you. It is important that you speak to those teachers before you send in your nomination, as teachers will be contacted about their recommendation.

-Nomination form is due on or before **Thursday April 9th at 4pm**. Don't forget to submit the form after you've completed it!

-On **Wednesday, April 15th** those people shortlisted will be notified through school email. Only those who move on to the next step will be notified. Ms. Martin will hold a meeting for all shortlisted candidates **April 15 at 3:15 pm**. to review the process for the election and the responsibilities of a valedictorian.

-All successful nominees will give a short (3-4 minute) speech during a Grade 12 assembly on **Wednesday, April 22, Period 4**. This speech will allow you to introduce yourself to the student population and tell them why you would be a good choice for valedictorian.

-Voting for the Valedictorian for the Class of 2026 will take place immediately after the assembly. Grade 12 students must be present at the assembly in order to vote.

THE VALEDICTORIAN SELECTION PROCESS:

All nominated students must meet the following criteria:

- Be in a position to graduate in June 2026
- Be in good academic standing – typically placing on the honour roll for each formal report in grade 11 and 12 (though this is not a requirement)
- Be respected by peers and staff
- Have demonstrated service and leadership in the Port Moody Secondary learning community
- Be a positive, ethical role model who demonstrates integrity and exemplary behaviour
- Be able to deliver a positive and authentic valedictorian speech, on behalf of all grade 12 students
- Have strong verbal communication skills
- Be willing to commit the time to work closely with your co-valedictorian and administration in the crafting, editing and revising of their speech

Students not meeting the criteria will not be included in the selection process. The successful students will then work with administration and staff to write their Valedictorian Speech for the Class of 2026 Commencement Ceremony.

If you have any questions, please email Ms. Martin smartin@sd43.bc.ca

The Tri-Cities Enchantment Project



Dress & Suit Donations Request

The Enchantment Project was created to ensure all our young people can attend their high school graduation celebrations. Your donations of modern and stylish grad dresses and suits are vital to the continuation of this project.

Grad dresses and suits can be donated at Terry Fox, Riverside, Gleneagle, Heritage Woods, and CAFE. Donations are accepted from January to March 2026.

Thank you for your generosity.

Please email Erin with any questions - ewatkins@sd43.bc.ca



Port Moody Secondary Tickets \$10 Each

RAFFLE

PRIZE 1 FUN AROUND TOWN! Value: \$2,797

- 3 Nights at Fairmont Chateau Whistler
- Vancouver FC Tickets & Hats
- Arts Club 'Come from Away' Tickets
- BC Lions Tickets
- Coquitlam Express Tickets & Merch



PRIZE 2 GOLF POWER PLAY! Value: \$1,825

- Golf Rounds at Pitt Meadows & Golden Eagle
- Women's Golf Attire
- Golf Lesson
- Coolers & Gift Cards
- Privacy Consulting Session



PRIZE 3 BLUES PRIDE! Value: \$1,325

- Samsung 75" 4K UHD TV
- PMSS Nest Merchandise
- Gift Basket
- Tim Hortons Gift Card



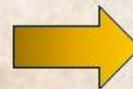
PRIZE 4 MUSICALLY INCLINED! Value: \$1,000

- Acoustic & Electric Guitars
- Tom Lee Music Gift Card



Scan the QR code to support

Blues Athletics!



ONGOING

MORNING STUDENT DROP OFF

This is a reminder to parents and students that drop-off and pick-up is to take place *only* in the lower parking lot - regardless of time of day or weather conditions. If you are dropping off for an early morning class or team practice, please do so in the lower parking lot.

Please also remember not to use the upper teachers' parking lot to drop off/ wait for their children and/ or to use as a turnabout.

PMSS TIMES: The PMSS Times will be distributed on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**. Announcements will not be read over the PA. You will find copies in the Cafeteria under the clock and outside the Library Learning Commons.

PARENT FORMS & STUDENT FEES: School District 43 uses the KEV School Cash Online for both fee statements and District Policies forms. Relevant fees have been uploaded with email notifications.

STUDENT PARKING PASS: If you will be parking in the lower parking lot, please come to the office during lunch or before/ after school to pick up a Parking Registration form.

LOCKERS:

Please use the QR code below to request a locker.



Students will receive an email in their 088 district email account with the locker number and combination.

OFF BLOCK STICKERS

Gr. 12 students who need an off block sticker can pick it up in the office during lunch or before/ after school.

LIBRARY

The library currently has over 100 books overdue. Check your school email every Monday to see if you have any overdue library material. Please remember that our loan period is 3 weeks for most things except technology. Technology loans are for one class only and are due back at the end of the day. Thanks for helping us by bringing back your overdue library materials so others can enjoy them!

CAREER CENTRE

Post-Secondary Information, Admissions Updates, New Post-Secondary Programs, Scholarships, Volunteering, Employment, Career Programs & Training, Leadership and Enrichment Programs

PMSS Career Resource Centre

Main Office. Open from 8:00am – 3:30pm Monday-Friday.

Questions? Email Ms. Chang at mchang@sd43.bc.ca or call 604-939-6656 ext. 2013.

How to keep up with the news? Join the Port Moody Secondary Career center TEAMS page! Code to join: 46n1w80 or follow the Career Centre Instagram or X (Twitter) account @pmsstransitions! Don't forget to check out the [PMSS Online Career Centre website](#)

Post-Secondary workshops and info sessions

For current and ongoing opportunities, please visit [HERE](#)

McMaster University is hosting a **Vancouver Event** on Tuesday April 7th from 6-8pm at West Point Grey Academy. While in town, McMaster University will be hosting the following events for applicants, prospects and supporters to connect with faculty members, learn about our various programs and discover what McMaster has to offer. If interested, register [HERE!](#)

General Learning Opportunities

For current and ongoing opportunities, please visit [HERE!](#)

***NEW* Arts Umbrella – Architecture Summer Intensive** helps students gain a deeper understanding of architecture, as they explore creative approaches to building spaces and discover new ways of seeing the built environment. In an immersive studio environment, they engage in research, critique, and making, drawing and building models to highlight their ideas. This program is offered in as a full scholarship thanks to BTY. This program will take place on Granville Island from Aug 4-14 from M-F 10am – 3pm. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by Friday May 29 at 8:00am!

University of Victoria's Gustavson School of Business is hosting a **Finance 101: Personal Finance for Students Preparing for College & University Workshop** on Thursday April 9th at 6pm online via Zoom. If you are in Gr. 9-12, or an international student, or a parent/ guardian that wants to take responsibility for your financial life, starting with mobile banking and day to day spending, and are curious about where to start, or if you have questions about your credit score and how it is used to evaluate you for mobile phone, credit card, apartment rental, summer job, car loan, etc, you want to build up savings and start investing in stocks, bonds, ETFs.. or you are interested in what a university class might be like, then this is a good fit for you! If interested, register [HERE!](#)

Fraser Youth Parliament (FYP) Leadership Initiative provides an opportunity for youth 14-18 to develop skills in leadership, organization, public speaking and knowledge of societal affairs. FYP is a simulation of the Westminster Parliamentary process and not affiliated with any political party and is a non-profit organization. This event will take place March 27-29 at Coquitlam City Hall. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by March 21st, 2026!

Trades and Apprenticeship Information

For current and ongoing opportunities, please visit [HERE](#)!

Volunteer/Employment Opportunities

For current and ongoing opportunities, please visit [HERE](#)!

***NEW* Place des Arts Summer Fun! Camp** is looking for volunteers during their 6 weeks from July 6 – August 14, 2026. Volunteers will be assisting the classroom teacher and providing various support to 5-12 year olds during a variety of visual and performing art camps. New volunteers will be required to complete a volunteer interview while all volunteers must be 14+, complete a criminal record check, and able to attend a mandatory orientation on Thursday, July 2nd from 4:30- 6:30pm at Place des Arts. For more information, click [HERE](#)!

***NEW* SFU Camps** is looking for volunteers to help Camp Instructors provide a safe, fun and educational environment. Volunteers act as role models for campers and are expected to demonstrate a respectful, positive attitude and strong sportsmanship. Specific duties include assisting instructors with supervision, coordinating activities and upholding a welcoming and inclusive space. Volunteers should be flexible in their camp preferences and placements as position availability may change throughout the summer. If applying for the Lead Volunteer position, then applicants must have volunteered for SFU camps previously. The application deadline is April 25 for regular volunteers, and April 17 for Lead Volunteers. If interested, apply [HERE](#)!

Belcarra Beachkeepers is looking for volunteers at least 16 years old with a keen interest in marine ecology and natural history that is reliable and motivated and would be comfortable handling live intertidal marine life. Volunteers will encourage preservation of marine ecosystems by engaging park visitors with hands-on, interactive educational displays, props and activities and work to collect base line information on the impact of recreational fishing on local crab populations at the Belcarra Regional Park wharf; this information is analyzed by Fisheries and Oceans for fisheries management purposes. The time commitment is a minimum of 6 weekend shifts (approximately 30 hours) throughout the summer, from the last weekend in June to Labour Day. If interested, or would like more info, click [HERE](#)!

Scholarship / Awards

For current and ongoing opportunities, please visit [HERE](#)!

***NEW* Golden Spike Days Festival T-shirt Contest and Arts Bursary Award** (\$300 for the student and \$200 for the winning school's art program) is open to students willing to design that will be printed on the 500 t-shirts that volunteers wear during Golden Spike Days. Please see Career Centre for more information and for the application form. The deadline to submit their application is May 6th, 2026, but students must email office@goldenspike.ca by April 17th to confirm their participation.

***NEW* Grace Family Network Foundation Scholarships** (\$1000) is available for Gr. 12 residents of Metro Vancouver with outstanding academic and leadership achievements demonstrating financial need. Students must be able to provide evidence of enrolment or application to a post-secondary school in the 2026-27 academic year and provide a one page essay on "How have you made a meaningful impact on your community?" If interested, apply [HERE](#) by May 31st, 2026!

Youth of Canada Scholarship (\$1500 x 3) are open to all Canadian citizens and Permanent residents aged 14-18 years old. Applicants must respond to three short essay questions about their passion, experiences/ challenges and hope for their future. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by Monday, June 15th, 2026!

Hebden Chemistry Bursary (\$1000) is open to students who has, or will complete Chemistry 12 by the end of June 2026. The applicant must have plans to continue the study of chemistry at a recognized post-secondary institution, whether it be toward a chemistry degree or in a field such as nursing or engineering. Must use Hebden resources within their school. If interested, apply [HERE](#) by Friday, May 15th, 2026!

PARENTS

PMSS 2025-2026 SCHOOL CALENDAR: Please click [HERE](#) for the 2025-2026 School Calendar

Upcoming Meetings

- **Regular PAC Meeting:** April 14 at 7 pm, Room 222
- **After Grad Meeting:** April 9 at 7 pm, Room 222
- **Regular PAC Meeting:** May 12 at 7 pm — **Election Night**
- **After Grad Meeting:** May 7 at 7 pm, Room 222

Why We Need You

We would love to see more parents join us at the April meeting. May is election month, and we need people to step into roles—the Chair position must be filled. For the past three years, the same five people have been covering all positions, and we truly need more support.

High school PAC is very different from Elementary or Middle School:

- Meetings are shorter.
- There is one main responsibility: deciding how to distribute the annual gaming grant to school clubs.
- To receive a gaming grant of **over \$25,000**, we must have a **Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary**.

If your child participates in any sport or club, these roles directly impact them. Without these positions, **there will be no gaming grant in the fall**, and clubs will not receive funding.

Attached a sample of this past year and clubs we supported.

PAC also oversees the Grade 12 After Grad event. This requires parent involvement, as a significant amount of fundraising is done to support the celebration.

At many schools, Grade 11 parents lead the planning so Grade 12 parents can enjoy the final year with their kids. Unfortunately, our school has had low volunteer turnout. Two years ago, the event had to be cancelled due to lack of volunteers.

Parents from all grades are encouraged to attend meetings and get involved. Volunteering gives you a clear picture of what happens and helps ensure the event continues for future years.

All caregivers are welcome—grandparents, aunts, uncles, anyone who enjoys helping out. If you're missing the social connection that came with elementary school pick-ups and playdates, PAC is a great way to meet new people.

Rafflebox Fundraiser

This year, Athletics, After Grad, Robotics, and Music have partnered to raise funds through Rafflebox. Please share the link with family and friends across BC. If every family sold just 10 tickets, each group would receive much-needed support—and you'll be entered to win an amazing prize package.

Rafflebox link:

<https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/pmss/6>

Interested in Helping?

If you'd like more information about volunteering with After Grad or taking on a PAC role, we welcome co-positions if you'd like to ease into things.

Our website and social links are available on our Linktree:

<https://linktr.ee/portmoodyaftergrad#535524388>

If you have connections to any businesses that may want to sponsor the Science World event or donate to the silent auction, please reach out.

For information regarding PAC, please visit <https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/portmoody/Parents/PAC/Pages>

AFTERGRAD

Flip Give Online Shopping & Gift Cards – Shop at participating stores year-round using our team code **CJWDGL**. A percentage of each purchase supports After Grad. This is the perfect opportunity to support After Grad whether shopping for gifts or everyday essentials.



Return It Express – Recycling bottles and cans at any Return It Express is a great way to support PMSS After Grad throughout the year. Simply use account "update your account settings to have you returns donated to PORT MOODY AFTER GRAD when you drop off your recyclables, and this will go towards After Grad fundraising efforts.



COMMUNITY



SD43 CLOTHING SWAP

Start Collecting your swappable clothes NOW!

Don't shop—Swap! Give your pre-loved clothes a second life and find your new favorite outfit for FREE.

SATURDAY APRIL 18, 2026

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Location: Pinetree Community Centre
1260 Pinetree Way, Coquitlam

Who can participate?

All SD43 families and friends are welcome. Those that donate will be given VIP entry a time of donation.

Donation Collection

Spring Break is the perfect time to clean out your closet. Participating Secondary schools will be collecting donations from April 7 - 16.

Please ensure all clothes are clean and in good condition.

No price tags. Just Style

Save water and reduce textile waste

Keep the fashion cycle moving within our school



Organizer: SD43 District
Sustainability Leadership
Committee - DSL



Nothin' Dragon is a local community Dragon Boating program that runs programs out of Rocky Point Park. They are offering a youth program that start in April. Details are below, if interested.

<https://nothindragon.org/youth-programs/>

Open to Youth Ages 13 - 18

Program: April 13 - June 1 - 2026 (includes Victoria Day)

Practices: Monday 3:30 - 5:00

Location: Rocky Point Park, Port Moody

Regattas (Races): One regatta (date to be determined)

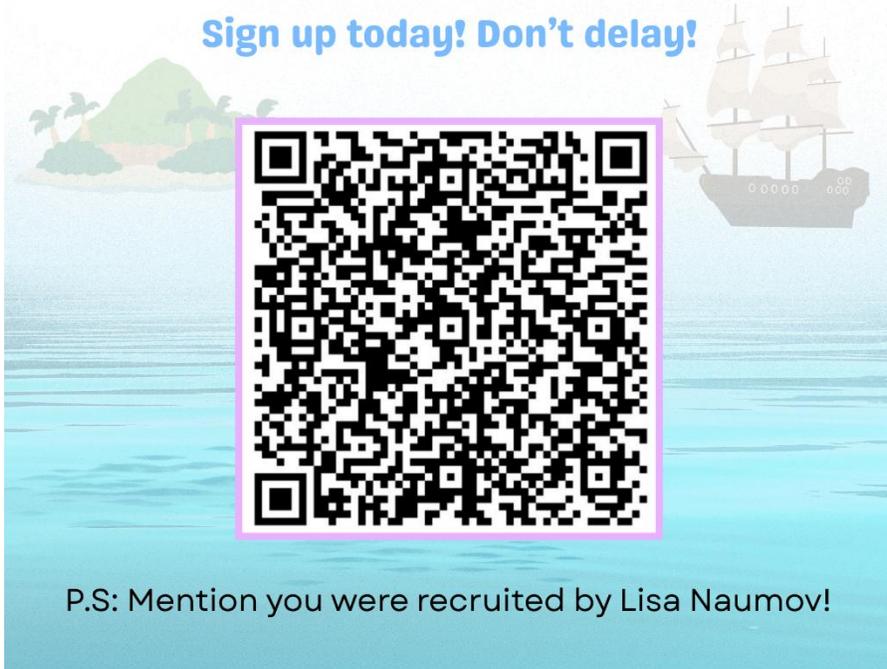
Price: \$80 (plus GST) - Includes paddles, jersey, safety equipment, & coaching

(Financial Assistance Available - contact us)

VANCOUVER
INTERNATIONAL
CHILDRENS
FESTIVAL

Make a friend, lend a hand!
Work with kids, have fun, and make friends!

Sign up today! Don't delay!



P.S: Mention you were recruited by Lisa Naumov!

Need volunteer hours? We got you covered.



Vancouver International Children's Festival

PERKS:

- FLEXIBLE HOURS**
- FLEXIBLE POSITIONS**
- SNACKS**
- MAKE FRIENDS**
- CONFIRMATION FOR # OF HOURS VOLUNTEERED**

- REFERENCE LETTER FOR PEOPLE WHO VOLUNTEER MIN. OF 24 HOURS**



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Volunteer@childrensfestival.ca