

### **ATTENTION GRADE 12 PARENTS!**

There will be a Grade 12 Parent Evening on Wednesday October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm. Counsellors and the IB Coordinator will be sharing information about the year ahead. It will also be a good opportunity to ask questions and see the timeline of the grade 12 year.

<u>ALL GRADE 12s</u> will be required to attend an assembly Tuesday October 1<sup>st</sup> during block 5. Counsellors and the IB Coordinator will meet with grade 12s and share "The Big Picture" for their grade 12 year.

#### **PHOTO RETAKES**

Students are reminded that Photo Retakes will take place Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Those students who are getting retakes must bring their 2024 2025 GoCard/school photo ID with them in order to get a retake done. Gr. 12 students will not get retakes.

Students who missed getting photos at the beginning of the year will also get their photos taken at this time.

If there are any questions or concerns, please contact Vice Principal Denise Nembhard (dnembhard@sd43.bc.ca)

### **STUDENT COUNCIL PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS**

Today is the day of the President and Vice-President elections for Student Council. Please vote via this link: <a href="https://forms.office.com/r/3bnmnpMNtn">https://forms.office.com/r/3bnmnpMNtn</a>. You may only vote one time. Candidate Speeches will take place in front of the school at lunch time (weather permitting). Voting opens at the end of lunch after the candidates speeches and closes at 11:59pm tonight. Successful candidates will be announced on Thursday, October 3rd.

### **TEDx YOUTH @ PMSS**

Join us for a TEDx event at 3:45pm on Friday October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024 where speakers will share their perspective of this year's theme "Evolving Perspectives." Free snacks and drinks will be provided. Sign up now: <a href="https://forms.office.com/r/xPYfBnVPKH">https://forms.office.com/r/xPYfBnVPKH</a>

## **PMSS ATHLETICS APPLE FUNDRAISER RETURNS!!**



If you or someone you know would like to buy Farm fresh Okanagan apples, follow the link and order a box today! Option 1: be a buyer and just purchase apples for yourself,

Option 2: create a link to send to anyone who you think would want to get in on these apples. This option can get you discounts on price per box.

Read through the website for more details.

https://fundraising.sunokafruit.com/seller\_1/091482430/org-campaign/port-moody-athletics-harvest-2024

Thank you for supporting our PMSS athletic programs!

## STUDENT GO CARDS/ PURCHASED PHOTOS

If you haven't picked up your student ID (Go Card) and/ or any purchased photo packages, please come by the office during lunch or after school to pick up.

# **LOST ITEM**

A turquoise / Green pouch like wallet with photos of porcupines on the front was lost in the female bathroom on Thursday at lunch. If you find it, please return to the office as soon as possible!

# **CANUEL CATERS CAFETERIA**

Cafeteria is looking for lunch time cashier for Mondays and Fridays with the possibility of extra shifts. 15-20min per shift. Perfect way to get in some work experience and hours along with some perks. Please see Tina for more details.

# **ONGOING**

#### **TRANSLINK**

As Translink is increasingly busy, please keep the following in mind when you are taking public transit.

- Be mindful of where you are standing when the bus is coming to a stop. Moving away from the curb allows the driver to pull in safely.
- Remember that other students want to get on the bus. Pushing your way to the front of the line makes everything slower for everyone.
- With construction, the bus stop locations have changed. Check the signs or your app carefully to make sure that you're at the right bus stop.
- Other bus riders may not want to hear your conversation—keep the volume down.
- You might miss the bus, or it might be full. Another one will be along soon.
- If you see something unusual when you're on public transit, report it to a uniformed attendant, or text 87.77.77

We all need to work together to make a transit system that it safe for everyone!

### **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.

<u>PARENT FORMS & STUDENT FEES:</u> 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.

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

# **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 <a href="PMSS Online">PMSS Online</a> Career Centre website

### Post-Secondary workshops and info sessions

Port Moody Secondary Post-Secondary Info-Sessions: Check out the time/date/location for when you can learn about each school and ask representatives questions!

School/ Program/ Event	Date	Time	Location
BCIT Health Sciences	October 8th 2024	11:56am – 12:36pm (lunch)	Drama Room
University of Calgary	October 11 <i>th</i> 2024	11:56am – 12:36pm (lunch)	Booth in MPR
UBC Forestry	October 11 <i>th</i> 2024	11:56am – 12:36pm (lunch)	Booth in MPR
UBC Sauder School of Business	October 16th 2024	11:56am – 12:36pm (lunch)	Library
University of Toronto	October 17th 2024	11:56am – 12:36pm (lunch)	Small Gym
University of Alberta	October 22 <i>nd</i> 2024	11:56am- 12:36pm (lunch)	Drama Room
Post Secondary BC Fair (PSBC)	October 24th 2024	12:36 – 1:52 (Blk4)	Small Gym
Western University	October 28th 2024	11:06 – 11:40am (lunch)	Drama Room
Queen's University	October 29th 2024	2:00- 2:30pm (Blk 5)	Library
EducationPlannerBC – Parents as Educators and Career Coaches SD43	October 30th 2024	6:30pm – 8:00pm	Register <u>here</u> .

Simon Fraser University	November 4th 2024	11:06-11:45 (lunch)	Library
McMaster University	November 6th 2024	8:56 – 9:22 (Flex)	Drama Room
University of Victoria – Gustavson School of Business		8:56 – 9:22am (flex)	Drama Room
University of Waterloo		8:56 – 9:22am (flex)	Drama Room
Langara	December 4th 2024	11:56 – 12:36pm (lunch)	Drama Room

**Big Info at BCIT** is back on **Wednesday October 9<sup>th</sup> from 4pm – 7pm** at their Burnaby campus! It's their largest program expo and information session and your chance to find out all about their programs – from business and media, computing and IT, engineering, health sciences, trades and apprenticeships, and applied and natural sciences. This is *free* and students that register to attend in person have a chance to win \$1000 tuition at BCIT!

### **General Learning Opportunities**

**RCMP Information Session Career Presentation** is happening on **Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup> 2024** from 6-9pm at Mabett Hall – 2150 Wilson Avenue, PoCo. Come hear first-hand from our recruiters about the exciting career opportunities that await you including the requirements and expectations for applying and how to prepare for each stage. Register <u>HERE!</u>

**Vancouver Area Independent Schools US College Fair** is coming to West Point Grey Academy on Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024, from 5-7pm! With confirmed admission representatives from Boston University, University of California Berkeley, University of Chicago and many more! Come learn more about post-secondary opportunities in the US. Visit <u>HERE</u> for more info!

**Youth to Sea Leadership Program** is open for applications until October 15<sup>th</sup>! This 8-month long program is open to any 15-18 year old Canadian citizen or refugee living in Canada interested in engaging with their community and the ocean. Develop ocean conservation knowledge, and by the end of the program, you would have completed 120 volunteer service hours! For more information and to apply, click <a href="https://example.com/HERE">HERE</a>! Email <a href="mailto:youth@ocean.org">youth@ocean.org</a> if you have any questions.

**City of Port Moody** – Standard First Aid and CPR-C/AED Workshops (Fee: \$195) is available for students 13-18 years old who want to obtain first aid skills or be prepared for medical emergencies. It will take place on Saturday October 26<sup>th</sup> and Sunday the 27<sup>th</sup> from 9am – 5pm at Port Moody Recreation Complex. To register, please click HERE!

**JCCF Photography/ Digital Art Contest** invites all Canadians 15+ to enter with prizes of \$2000 for first prize, \$1000 for second and \$500 for third! Students need to submit their entry with the theme *What Freedom in Democracy Looks Like to Me*. Deadline to submit is October 27th. Click <u>HERE</u> to apply or for more info!

\*NEW\* BC Youth Parliament Session is open to youth ages 16-21 from across the province to travel to the BC Parliament Buildings in Victoria for a 5 day (Dec 27-31) simulation of the Westminster Parliamentary System, legislating bills that govern the organization's community service projects for the remainder of the year, hearing from a large number of speakers from around the community and engaging in a wide variety of fun social activities. Fees are \$455, and the deadline to apply is **November 1**st 2024. For more info, please click HERE!

**National Portfolio Day** is back on Saturday Nov 16th at 11am at Emily Carr Emily Carr 520 East 1st Avenue, Vancouver. It's an opportunity to meet with representatives from colleges and universities accredited by the National Association of Schools of Art & Design and have your portfolio reviewed. Click <u>HERE</u> for more info or to register!

OceanWise – Youth to Sea Leadership Program 2024-25 is looking for Canadian/ PR/ refugees aged 15-18 to join their 8 month program (October to May) and learn about engaging their local community and making connections between themselves, their community, and our ocean. It will bring youth together to provide them with opportunities to develop their ocean conservation knowledge and personal skills. Participants will even have earned at least 120-service hours by the end of the program. Any questions? Please email <a href="mailto:youth@ocean.org">youth@ocean.org</a>. To apply, click <a href="mailto:HERE">HERE</a>, and for more info, click HERE!

SHAD Canada is now open for applications (deadline is Dec 1<sup>st</sup> 2024) to all Gr. 10 or 11 community minded, creative, engaged, and curious youth who want to make an impact on Canada and the world. SHAD is a STEAM and entrepreneurship program with options to dive into an immersive hands-on STEAM content at one of our pan-Canadian university campuses (cost: \$7260) OR from the comfort of your own space at their digital campus with SHAD Anywhere (cost: \$3830). This program will run from June 29 – July 25, with bursaries and scholarship[s available to support families with financial needs. For more info, or to apply, please click HERE!

# **Trades and Apprenticeship Information**

### **Volunteer/Employment Opportunities**

**Eagle Ridge Hospital – Volunteer Program** is looking for students aged 16-18 years old to volunteer as logistical support team members at Eagle Ridge Hospital! Get involved with the patient, public and provider in a hospital environment! The times are from 4:30 – 7:00pm with a variety of dates to choose from. Click <u>HERE</u> to apply or for more info!

Port Coquitlam Youth Advisory Council is open for applications (until Sunday October 6<sup>th</sup>) to all tri-city residents aged 16 – 22 that want to learn about the political process, discuss ideas and get involved in our local community. You have the opportunity to meet with MP McKinnon on issues that matter to you! Certificates are given to students once they surpass 5 hours of volunteering and letter of reference is also supplied to outstanding students! Click HERE to apply!

Moody Elementary School is looking for male high school student volunteers to be positive role models for elementary school children! If interested, please apply by Oct 7<sup>th</sup>, and contact Ms. Campbell in her office or via email (cicampbell@sd43.bc.ca).

**Elections BC – Youth at the Booth** is hiring 15-18 year old Canadian students to work as an election official at a voting place in their local community. You will be paid at least \$390 a day and will work on October 19<sup>th</sup> + some training days. For more info, click <a href="https://example.com/HERE">HERE</a> or email <a href="mailto:jobs@elections.bc.ca">jobs@elections.bc.ca</a>

**Learning Buddies Network** is looking for reading/ math mentor volunteers that are at Gr 10+ from October to December. Volunteers will prepare lesson materials provided by the organization and track your little buddy's progress. They offer both online and in-person programs. If interested, click <u>HERE</u>. Questions? Email julia@learningbuddiesnetwork.com

## Scholarship / Awards

University of Toronto's Lester B. Pearson International Scholarship (valued for full tuition, books, incidental fees, and full residence support for 4 years at the University of Toronto) is open for nominations to any *international students* (non-Canadian requiring a study permit) who will be in Gr. 12 in Sept 2024. If you are interested in being nominated by the school for this award, please submit a nomination form (found on PMSS Career Centre TEAMS or PMSS Online Career Centre website or visit Ms. Chang in Rm 3065) by October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 to Ms. Chang (mchang@sd43.bc.ca) and Ms. Campbell (cicampbell@sd43.bc.ca). For more information about this scholarship, please click HERE!

Attention Gr. 12's - **SCHOLARSHIP MEETING #1** will be taking place **AT LUNCH** in the **DRAMA ROOM** on **October 10**<sup>th</sup>! Come learn about scholarships, and tips on how you can fund your tuition for post-secondary. If you have any questions about the scholarship process at all, come join us!

**LORAN Awards** (Valued at \$100,000 + other benefits for LORAN Scholars, and \$6000 for finalists) is open for applications to any Canadian Gr. 12 students with a minimum cumulative average of 85%. The application deadline is *October 15<sup>th</sup>* 2024. If interested, apply HERE. For more info, click HERE!

Schulich Leader Scholarship is open for school nominations (valued up to \$120,000 for Engineering or \$100,000 for other STEM areas due Friday Dec 6<sup>th</sup> 2024 – email nomination form to MoodyScholarshipSubmission@sd43.bc.ca. Eligible Canadian or PR Gr. 12 students that is entrepreneurial minded intending to pursue a career in technology, engineering, entrepreneurship and business enterprise, and applied scientific research with strong academic excellence, leadership, charisma and creativity (with strong consideration given to students with financial need) please apply! Students must be intending to attend one of 20 Canadian partner universities. See HERE for more information. For school nomination forms, please check PMSS Career Centre TEAMS or HERE. Please come ask Ms. Chang if you have any questions!

# **PARENTS**

PMSS 2024-2025 SCHOOL CALENDAR: Please click HERE for the 2024-2025 School Calendar

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

# **COMMUNITY**



# Free Fall Program for Families!

Learn about healthy eating, physical activity, and building long-lasting habits as a family in Generation Health Community. This 10-week program for families with children ages 8 to 12 is FUN and interactive!

Delivered through YMCA BC starting October 2024 on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday evenings.

Families who join this program will receive a complimentary YMCA membership.

Register today!





gv.ymca.ca/generation-health-community generationhealth@bc.ymca.ca



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