



# Port Moody Times

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## NEW NEWS

**THIS MESSAGE ORIGINALLY APPEARED IN THE APRIL 8<sup>TH</sup> TIMES:**

Dear Students,

We hope you are adjusting to this new learning environment and some aspect of a routine this week. Please remember to be kind to yourself, as it will take some time to work through the newness of it all. There will be issues to work through, and questions with uncertain answers. When you do have questions or are in need of support, know that we are available by phone, email and through the various online platforms teachers have created. We have many resourceful people within our school who can be of considerable assistance, and we have access to many other people and services in the community.

Two reminders while we repeatedly reference “online learning”:

1. You are not expected to be on a screen at all times. Computers continue to be just one tool in the tool kit of teaching and learning. We should utilize it when it makes sense. Pen to paper, physical activity, reading a book, exploring the arts, service to others, and getting outside (where appropriate) remain valuable and encouraged endeavours.
2. Please consider the appropriateness of the time of day, and what day, you communicate with us and with your peers. At the best of times, an email world has created a common social behaviour of immediacy, that leaves many of us feeling always connected. This alone has created considerable stress in our communities and now, more than ever, we very much need to be mindful of self care and patience with others. From the feedback and conversations we have had with you this week, your collective spirit, flexibility and compassion is once again shining through.

In looking at the revised school calendar, here are some notable dates for the remainder of April/early May:

Date	Event
April 17	District Professional Development Day
April 20	Deadline: IB students IA's uploaded by teachers
April 27 - 30	Term 5 Report Cards distributed by mail and email
May 4	Summer Learning District Update*
May 5 - 22	Cancelled: IB Exams

PMSS students have already identified on their course selection sheets, and through our March course verification process, their intentions for summer learning. In May/June we again review courses for the year ahead with each student prior to summer vacation.

School level April events (ex. concerts, and parent teacher conferences) and field trips have been cancelled. At this time, refunds will be processed for only those students who paid for April field trips and other April events with costs associated.

April Valedictorian application timeline and Dinner/Dance seat selection are postponed.

May 1<sup>st</sup> PMSS Day: Grade 9 – 11 activities are currently postponed. Grade 12 Capstone (exit interviews format) are currently being revised. Revised Capstone requirements for CLC 12 (and CAS for IB12s) will be shared with students in the last week of April.

**Reminder:** The Locker Access for Essential Items form is available on our [website](#) under Quick Links.

**GR. 9 INQUIRY PROJECT:** Gr. 9 students will no longer be asked to complete their Inquiry Projects. Due to our current remote learning environment and our desire to balance the expectations for students, we have decided to discontinue the Gr. 9 Inquiry Projects for this year. We know this may be disappointing for some, but feel this is best for the whole at this time.

**MS. CARRUTHERS CLC CLASS:** ALL students please sign into your TEAMS account and view the assignments in FILES. All assignments up to the Capstone are now due/overdue. Any students in the middle of work experience please email me at: [mcarruthers@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:mcarruthers@sd43.bc.ca)

**GET A HEADSTART IN ART WITH EMILY CARR UNIVERSITY AT GLENEAGLE SECONDARY** – Register for Emily Carr’s degree credit "Drawing & 2D Language" first year Studio course (FNDD 106) offered at Gleneagle Secondary this fall, **Tuesdays, 6 – 9 pm, Sept. 15 – Dec 8/20**. Available to current Grade 11 or Grade 12 students or recent graduates. Students who achieve a B grade or higher will be approved to have their portfolio requirement waived for admission to ECU! Visit Sd43’s Career & Trades Programs/Post-Secondary Courses at [http://www.sd43.bc.ca/CareerPrograms/Pages/TransitionPrograms.aspx#/=](http://www.sd43.bc.ca/CareerPrograms/Pages/TransitionPrograms.aspx#/) for admission requirements and the application form. **(Note that Diploma Verification forms will be provided directly to Emily Carr University by SD43).** Only 20 spaces available. Instructions from SD43 Transitions Coordinator:

- **Students will print off and complete the application**
  - Ignore “student number” on page 5: students do not have an ECUAD number, leave it blank
  - Students and Parents need to complete fully. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- **When they are ready to submit only pages 2, 5 and 6 of the application:**
  - **Create a .pdf use a scanner or a free app** (like “Lens” in Office 365 or “Scanner for Me”)
  - **Send those 3 pages directly to Joni Taylor at Emily Carr U. ( [jtaylor@ecuad.ca](mailto:jtaylor@ecuad.ca) ) by May 22/20**
  - Applications will be ranked by date of receipt.

**VILLAGE OF ANMORE/ DR. HAL WEINBURG SCHOLARSHIP** – Offered to residents of Anmore **ONLY**, this \$1,000 scholarship is based on community volunteering, academic achievement, extra-curricular activities and future plans. For more details and the application form, visit the Career Centre Online/Scholarships: <https://tinyurl.com/PMSS-Scholarships>. **Deadline: April 30/20**

**COAST CAPITAL SAVINGS EDUCATION AWARDS – COVID-19 UPDATE!** Offered to BC grads of 2020 who will be attending a Canadian university, college or technical school in the fall: **Standing Tall Awards of \$2500** for youth who have not only risen up against the odds but are demonstrating a commitment to continue their education. PMSS will submit school-nominated applications to the District for final adjudication. Visit <https://tinyurl.com/PMSS-Scholarships> for eligibility details and **the fillable application**. EMAIL completed application to Ms Truax ([ftuax@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:ftuax@sd43.bc.ca)) or to Ms Campbell ([cicampbell@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:cicampbell@sd43.bc.ca)) by the **DEADLINE of APRIL 24/2020**

**COQUITLAM TEACHER’S ASSOCIATION - ROY KRUTOW \$1250 SCHOLARSHIP** – 2 scholarships are awarded annually to the son or daughter of an SD43 teacher, current or retired/deceased – criteria: academic achievement, school involvement; preference given to students planning a career in education. FILLABLE application form on Career Centre online <https://tinyurl.com/PMSS-Scholarships>; deadline to apply: **July 1/20**

**BCIT ENTRANCE AWARDS** – 25 President’s Entrance Awards valued at **\$4,000** are offered **ONLY** to graduating high school students entering programs between *April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021*. More than 125 additional BCIT Entrance Awards are also available, at **\$6,000** each. Award package at [www.bcit.ca/finaid](http://www.bcit.ca/finaid)

## **ONGOING NEWS**

### **JANUARY ASSESSMENT RESULTS:**

Students who completed a Numeracy and/or Literacy assessment in January 2020 can access their results from the “Graduation Assessment/Provincial Examinations” link after logging in to their account on the Student Transcripts Service at: [www.studenttranscripts.gov.bc.ca](http://www.studenttranscripts.gov.bc.ca).

### **ACCESS TO NELSON AND PEARSON TEXTBOOKS:**

Both Pearson and Nelson Publishing have made a number of their texts available to students and families. To access Pearson resources please follow this link <https://tinyurl.com/uhwhlre>. For Nelson resources please follow this link <https://tinyurl.com/w4hslcc>.

### **COVID-19 PROVINCIAL SUPPORT AND INFORMATION:**

[https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/covid-19-provincial-support?utm\\_campaign=20200319\\_GCPE\\_AM\\_COVID\\_4\\_NOTIFICATION\\_BCGOV\\_BCGOV\\_EN\\_BC\\_NOTIFICATION](https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/covid-19-provincial-support?utm_campaign=20200319_GCPE_AM_COVID_4_NOTIFICATION_BCGOV_BCGOV_EN_BC_NOTIFICATION)

British Columbians can use the new provincial phone service by calling 1-888-COVID19, available seven days a week from 7:30AM to 8:00PM, with information in over 110 languages.

Specific public health questions re: COVID-19 should be directed to your local health authority for response.

### **MINISTRY OF EDUCATION: SAFE & HEALTHY SCHOOLS:**

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/administration/program-management/safe-caring-and-orderly-schools>

### **SCHOOL DISTRICT 43:**

[https://www.sd43.bc.ca/NewsEvents/Pages/COVID-19.aspx#/=](https://www.sd43.bc.ca/NewsEvents/Pages/COVID-19.aspx#/)

[https://www.sd43.bc.ca/faq/Pages/default.aspx#/=](https://www.sd43.bc.ca/faq/Pages/default.aspx#/)

**PMSS:**

Please make sure to stay connected by downloading the My School Day App <https://myschoolday.app/> for the latest updates and by following us on twitter @pmss43.

**PMSS TIMES:**

The PMSS Times will be distributed on Mondays and Wednesdays.

## CAREER CENTRE NEWS

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

**LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS – COQUITLAM OPTIMIST CLUB – Robert Simms Memorial Scholarship – UPDATED DEADLINE AND SUBMISSION PROCESS** - Students intending to apply for this \$500 ‘External Scholarship’ (listed in the Local Scholarship Package) should download an **UPDATED** application form from the Career Centre Scholarships page on the school website. Criteria: service to others in the community, need for financial support, & are planning to attend post-secondary after graduation. **COVID\_19 update: applications must be submitted by e-mail this year: NEW DEADLINE May 8, 2020.**

## PARENTS

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

## PMSS GRAD 2020

### AFTERGRAD ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**AFTERGRAD BOTTLE AND CAN DONATIONS:**

You can drop off your bottles and cans at any Return-it Depot by using the Express drop off. Just enter the school’s phone number (604-939-6656) at the kiosk. Select AfterGrad 2020, then print your bag tags, stick one tag per clear bag of empties and leave in the Express bin. AfterGrad will greatly benefit from your donation and you will benefit by being rid of cans and bottles quickly and easily!

**ME-n-ED’S PIZZA FUNDRAISER:**

Port Moody After Grad Committee is asking for your support with our Me-n-Ed’s Pizza Fundraiser. Order on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month (dine in, delivery or take out until May 21<sup>st</sup>. Coquitlam and Port Coquitlam locations of Me-n-Ed’s Pizza Parlors are participating.



We earn 20% from each order but you **MUST** mention that it is an order to support Port Moody Secondary After Grad for us to earn the 20%. Anyone can order and support this - tell your neighbours and relatives. Thank you for your support! Mark your calendars on the following dates: **April 16<sup>th</sup> and May 21<sup>st</sup>.**

**\$2,000 CASH RAFFLE FUNDRAISER:**

The winner of the \$250 early bird draw on April 1<sup>st</sup> was Rob Nevalainen, ticket #100.

