

NEW NEWS

INSTAGRAM:

Stay connected and look for some upcoming fun activities and contests by following us on Instagram! Follow your student council at pmss_stuco
Follow the official school site at portmoodyibsecondary

<u>GETTING TO KNOW THE PMSS STAFF:</u> Over the coming weeks we will be highlighting a number of our PMSS staff by including profiles in The Times. Be sure to read them! We hope this helps you get to know the people that call PMSS home.

ALL GRADE 12's: All grade 12's. Capstone exit interviews for CLC 12 will be on *Friday, May 15, 2020* and will be done through a video meeting. More information will be sent to you through your CLC class Team, please check it regularly and mark May 15th on your calendar. If you have concerns about technology (lack of video camera in computer, etc.) please email your CLC teacher as soon as possible.

STUDENT SUPPORT: Any teens needing additional support at this time with mood or anxiety please visit: https://www.gv.ymca.ca/mental-wellness

https://bouncebackbc.ca

<u>ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS:</u> We are working hard on the yearbook but we need your help to show what it is like doing school work from home. Please take a picture (selfie or other) of how you do your school work at home. Email your picture to <a href="mailto:other-normalization-normali

<u>PMSS's GOT TALENT:</u> Do you have a talent that you'd like to show off? Singing, acting, juggling a soccer ball, painting etc. - submit your entry to <u>aabbinante@sd43.bc.ca</u> for your chance to be highlighted on our school Instagram page: @PortMoodylBSecondary. Send in your pictures and video by *Friday, May 8th*. Let's show our Blue's Pride!

<u>ITALIAN-CANADIAN \$1000 SCHOLARSHIPS</u> — The Confratellanza Italo-Canadese Society is offering several \$1000 scholarships to students of *Italian origin* (having at least one parent or grandparent of direct Italian descent) who live within the GVRD and will be entering a post-secondary program in 2020. Application forms are available online; visit the school's website/Career Centre/Financial Aid & Scholarships: https://tinyurl.com/Career-Centre-Scholarships. Applications must be post-marked **JUNE 15/20** to meet the deadline.

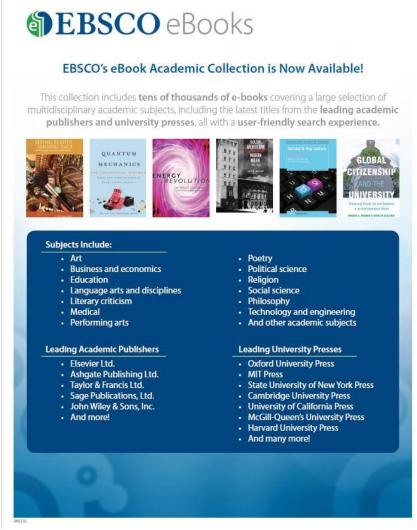
<u>STILL HUNTING FOR SCHOLARSHIPS?</u> – Visit the Career Centre on the PMSS website, and check the Scholarships page. You'll find an outstanding scholarship resource called *Scholar Tree* in the list of Scholarship Search engines. With the school year coming to an end, <u>ScholarTree.ca</u> has added as many scholarships to their platform as possible. May is the end of peak scholarship season so there are a lot of awards with upcoming deadlines. Scholar Tree is currently advertising 45 scholarships that equate to 358 awards and a total of **\$690,750**, but you must apply this month!

YOUTH TRANSFORMING SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIPS FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE – \$500 - The YTS, a registered, student-led group annually supports a scholarship program recognizing student dedication and commitment to service in the community. Students must have a minimum academic average of 70%, be actively involved in voluntary pursuits of any kind, and must be attending a Canadian post-secondary institution in September 2020. Visit www.youthtransformingsociety.org and click on 'YTS Scholarship' for detailed instructions and the application form. Deadline to apply: May 23/20 at 11:59 pm

ONGOING NEWS

<u>CURRENT GRADE 11 STUDENTS:</u> The school district is still taking applications for its "TRAIN in Trades" programs for next school year. These amazing tuition-free programs offer students the opportunity to gain their level 1 certification, while still in high school, in 19 different trades. Information and application forms can found at <u>43Careers.com</u> or by contacting Doug MacLean (cell: 604-341-8977 or <u>dmaclean@sd43.bc.ca</u>). Space is limited, please inquire soon if interested.

RESEARCH TIPS: The Port Moody Secondary Library Learning Commons now has access to over 200,000 academic eBooks!



Members of the PMSS community can access the collection by clicking the EBSCO Academic eBooks link on our Destiny Discover catalogue page. https://search.follettsoftware.com/metasearch/ui/25004



This takes you to a log-in page. As this resource is for members of the PMSS community only, you will have to log in with a different user name and password.



Video Tutorials:
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<u>ACCESS TO NELSON AND PEARSON TEXTBOOKS:</u> 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

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/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

<u>COQUITLAM VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES DURING COVID-19</u> - Coquitlam has been forced to suspend some volunteer programs, but there are still ways to make a difference during the COVID-19 pandemic. In some cases, procedures and requirements have temporarily changed to ensure physical distancing. For example, orientations may take place by phone or video chat. Check https://www.coquitlam.ca/city-hall/career-and-volunteering/volunteer.aspx for details and to contact program coordinators.

<u>COQUITLAM TEACHER'S ASSOCIATION - ROY KRUTOW \$1250 SCHOLARSHIP</u> – 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**

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.

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 (FNDT 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#/= 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
 - o 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. (<u>jtaylor@ecuad.ca</u>) by May 22/20
 - Applications will be ranked by date of receipt.

<u>BCIT ENTRANCE AWARDS</u> – 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

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 3rd Thursday of each month (dine in, delivery or take out until May 21st. 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 date: *May 21*st.

\$2,000 CASH RAFFLE FUNDRAISER:

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





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