

# **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.

<u>ALL GRADE 12's</u>: 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 15<sup>th</sup> 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.

<u>SCHOLARSHIPS / BURSARIES</u>: Have you been awarded scholarships or bursaries from universities, colleges or other sponsors? If so, we want to list your Awards in the 2020 Commencement Programme! Please send the details of your awards (name of post-secondary institution, or scholarship sponsor/Award name), or forward email messages of congratulations to Head Secretary, Ms. Pfingsten at <u>epfingsten@sd43.bc.ca</u> for publication as soon as possible.

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

### https://bouncebackbc.ca

**ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS:** 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 <u>088-yearbook2020@sd43.bc.ca</u>. Deadline for pictures to be in is *Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>*.

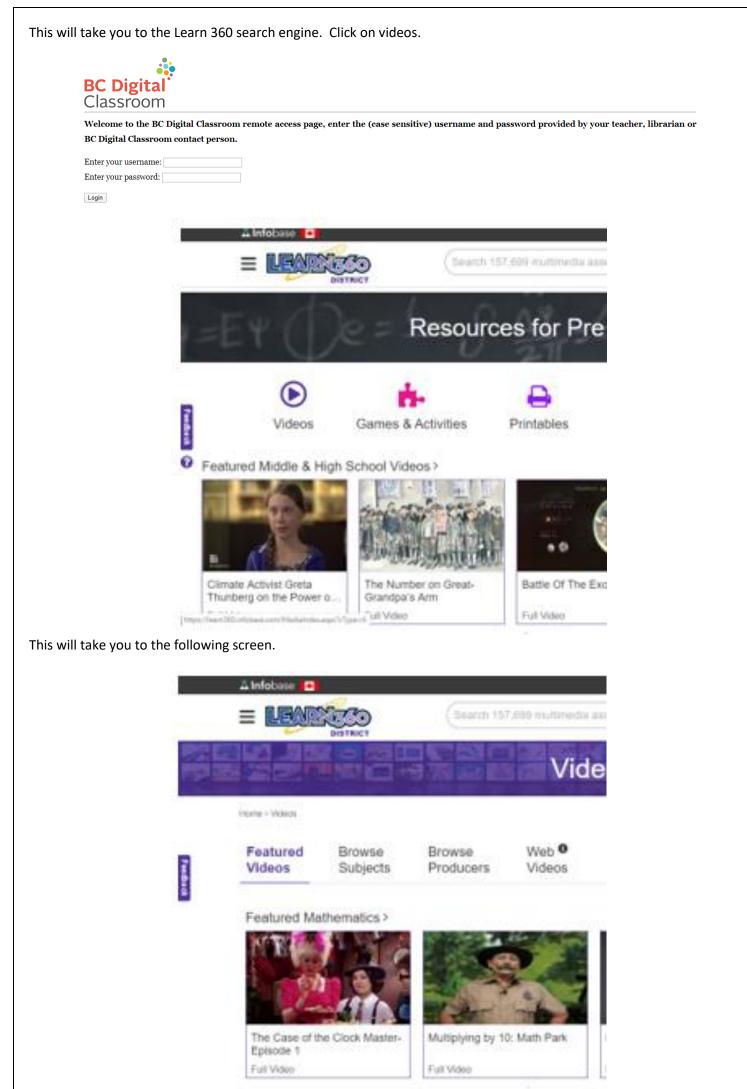
**PMSS's GOT TALENT:** Do you have a talent that you'd like to show off? Singing, acting, juggling a soccer ball, painting etc. - submit your entry to <u>aabbinante@sd43.bc.ca</u> for your chance to be highlighted on our school Instagram page: @PortMoodyIBSecondary. Send in your pictures and video by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

**<u>CONGRATULATIONS!</u>** Three PMSS students have received scholarships for their outstanding work in the arts at Place des Arts! **Madeline Q**, grade 10, for Music (voice), **Natalie Q**, grade 12, for Dance (ballet), and **Ryan C**, grade 10, for Theatre (where he performs a monologue from our spring musical, The Drowsy Chaperone)!

**RESEARCH TIPS:** Are you looking for good videos to watch to support your learning at home? There are hundreds of videos available for students to view using Learn 360 on our Library website. All the videos are approved for use by the School District, so you do not have to spend hours looking for appropriate videos to watch on Youtube. To access this free resource, go to the Destiny Discover home page. <u>https://search.follettsoftware.com/metasearch/ui/25004</u>

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The Destiny Discover home page comes up with several different icons. If you click your cursor on the Learn 360 icon it will take you to the page shown below. Your username **and** password is sd43u. Then click on the login button.



Now you can search by subject. Once you enter your preferred subject, you can use the filters to search for videos you would like to watch.

**UBC GEERING UP** – **STEM Club Online Volunteering Opportunity!** UBC Geering Up is looking for Junior Instructors (Grade 10 & up) to deliver STEM programming for up to 20 kids in grades 4-12 in two-week long ONLINE clubs, running mornings and afternoons from May 25 – June 5, and June 8 – June 19. A full description of the position can be found <u>here</u>; application form <u>here</u>. **Applications close on May 15.** 

ITALIAN-CANADIAN \$1000 SCHOLARSHIPS – 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: <u>https://tinyurl.com/Career-Centre-Scholarships</u>. Applications must be post-marked JUNE 15/20 to meet the deadline.

**STILL HUNTING FOR SCHOLARSHIPS?** – 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.

<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 <u>https://tinyurl.com/uhwhlre</u>. For Nelson resources please follow this link <u>https://tinyurl.com/w4hslcc</u>.

### COVID-19 PROVINCIAL SUPPORT AND INFORMATION:

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/covid-19-provincialsupport?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 <u>https://myschoolday.app/</u> 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 <u>https://www.coquitlam.ca/city-hall/career-and-volunteering/volunteer.aspx</u> 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 <a href="https://tinyurl.com/PMSS-Scholarships">https://tinyurl.com/PMSS-Scholarships</a> ; 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 postsecondary after graduation. COVID\_19 update: applications must be submitted by e-mail this year: NEW DEADLINE May 8, 2020.

<u>GET A HEADSTART IN ART WITH EMILY CARR UNIVERSITY AT GLENEAGLE SECONDARY</u> – 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 <a href="http://www.sd43.bc.ca/CareerPrograms/Pages/TransitionPrograms.aspx#/=">http://www.sd43.bc.ca/CareerPrograms/Pages/TransitionPrograms.aspx#/=</a> 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
  - $\circ$  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>itaylor@ecuad.ca</u>) by May 22/20
      Applications will be ranked by date of receipt.

**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 <u>www.bcit.ca/finaid</u>

# **PARENTS**

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

# 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 date: <u>May 21<sup>st</sup></u>.

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

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

# **COMMUNITY NEWS**

## **Coquitlam Continuing Education**

The school district will be opening registration soon for summertime Grade 10-12 high school credit courses. The following two options will be provided as Distributed Learning through Coquitlam Open Learning:

### Coquitlam Open Learning Gr 10-12:

Grade 10-12 full credit courses

Free to eligible school-aged BC Residents aged 13 to 19 years old.

Registration available to students enrolled in SD43 schools only, starting this Friday May 8,

2020. Students are not eligible for courses they are currently taking in their current schools, (they can take those starting in July, including Fast Track)

Online courses with flexible start dates which should be completed within 10 months of registration. Students will participate in various online activities which may include Moodle online lessons, online discussions, and e-mail interactions with the teacher. Students can begin these courses within a few days after registering.

Registration information: <u>www.ce43.com</u> Course information: <u>https://tinyurl.com/SD43COL</u>

## Fast Track Gr 10-12: Complete a full credit course from July 2 to August 3:

Fast Track courses follow a blended learning model:

- two weekly synchronous class sessions (Tues/Thurs or Wed/Fri, mornings or afternoons (see specific courses for scheduling). These class sessions will most likely be conducted online.
- three days of online work. Teachers will be available these days for online tutorial support. Note: This program is best suited for students wishing to complete the selected course within a 6-week timeline.

Program Dates: July 2 - August 7 (Note: there will be no tutorials July 27 and August 3) Program Times: Tues/Thurs or Wed/Fri, mornings or afternoons Registration information: <u>www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca</u>

Course information: <u>https://tinyurl.com/SD43FastTrack</u>

Registration begins at 6:00 AM on Tuesday May 19, 2020.

Registration is closed to International Students (who can register for high school credit courses at <u>http://www.internationaled.com/</u>

Registration in May available to students enrolled in SD43 schools only. Non-SD43 students may register on or after June 1. For registration and course information visit <u>www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca</u>

## Summer Learning Statement: COVID-19:

At this time registration for our summer learning programs <u>(Elementary Skill Building, Middle Skill Building,</u> <u>Secondary Skill Building and Secondary Remedial</u>) has been postponed until further notice. We continue to plan for summer learning under the direction of the ministries of Health and Education and will provide an update on our website as soon as more information becomes available. At this time we are unable to confirm that this years summer learning program will run and should we be able to move ahead with summer learning the program likely be significantly smaller in scope and the delivery format will likely be significantly different.

Check our website for information and updates: <u>www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca</u>

Coquitlam Continuing Education 380 Montgomery Street Coquitlam BC V3K 5G2 604-936-4261

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something I am	So hard to	18 years.	I've never had a bad job,
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I'm learning new technologies and also reading 'Climate Wars' by Gwynne Dyer.	historical.		Most interesting: is my current one!
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my parents and siblings. We all turned out pretty good. छि	playing sports, traveling, and enjoying life.	I accidentally pulled the fire alarm in a Japanese subway station.	an Historical Tour Guide.

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Something I am learning about or something I am reading right now is	My Favourite book is	I have been a teacher for	<i>My worst or my most interesting job was</i>
<i>Little Fires Everywhere</i> – Celeste Ng <i>Seven Fallen Feathers</i> – Tanya Talaga	Too hard to choose! I have read many over the years.	14 years.	Most interesting: investigating bank theft and fraud in the Corporate Security department of CIBC.
I am most proud of	I spend my spare time	When I was in High School	If I was not a teacher I would be
my family.	Spare time? HA! I'm a teacher! Seriously though: reading, crocheting, painting, hanging out with my family.	I skipped 22 days of English 11 in a row so that I didn't have to study Lord of the Flies.	a baker or a lawyer.