ÉCOLE RIVERSIDE SECONDARY



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NOVEMBER 2022

IMPORTANT DATES

November 19 - Winter Market

November 22 – Scholarship Info Session

<u>November 24&25</u> – PoCo Festival of Short Shorts

December 1 – Rock Band Concert

December 5-9 – Spirit Week

<u>December 6</u> - Gr 11/12 Winter Formal

<u>December 13</u> – Spoken Words Finals

December 14 – PAC Meeting

<u>December 16</u> – Last Day of Classes before Winter Break

<u>December 19 – January 2</u> – Winter Break

January 3 — Schools Re-Open

Greetings Riverside Community;

Welcome to our November Newsletter. With some exciting school events upcoming, we invite you to browse this newsletter for all the details. Our website also has information that doesn't always make it into the Newsletter, so please check there too, especially in our "Rapid Read" daily news.

This is particularly busy time of the year, with report cards, parent/teacher night last night, and many team sports wrapping up their season, not to mention all the classroom-based, extracurricular, and other things keeping the students and staff occupied.

Please come out to our Winter Market on Saturday, Nov 19 to shop for holiday items, grab a snack from our concession, and just mingle with other members of our community. Looking forward to seeing everyone there!

Finally, a big thank you to all the students and staff, as well as parents, who continuously work to make this school run smoothly, and who make it a great place to come every day. Holiday season is a time to be thankful for those closest to us, and we are always working to make Riverside a true community. It's also a time where we reach out to those in need, and this season is especially important with all the challenges of inflation and life after the pandemic. We will be doing our annual and traditional outreach to the community this holiday through Stream Classes. I encourage everyone to give to the Share Food Bank or any other charity as it's often the time of the year those organizations offer the most help.

On to all the rest of the newsletter!

Warm regards,

-- Riverside Office and Admin Teams



THE WINTER MARKET IS BACK! – November 19, 2022

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR WINTER MARKET

The Riverside Winter Market, a long PoCo tradition and probably our largest After Grad fundraiser, will come back to life this Saturday, November 19, 2022. We need your help to make it a success. We are hoping for many students to come out and help (confirmation of volunteer hours will be provided), but we also need adults on site. Parents/Guardians, please consider volunteering for a shift. Positions include helping with the Friday night set-up, ticket sales, raffle table, food service, bake sale, clean-up, and more. We also need someone to hang up signs around the community during the first week of November and collect them after the event. Thank you for your help!

Student Volunteer Sign-Up

Parent/ Guardian Volunteer Sign-Up site



G23 AFTER-GRAD FUNDRAISING

Purdy's Chocolate

It's that time of year again... Support G23 and buy your Purdy's chocolate (milk/dark) bar for only \$2 in Room 124.

Fundscrip Gift Cards

PDF Form

Riverside G23 After-Grad Gift Card Fundraiser

Dear Riverside Parents and Friends,

Looking for Birthday, Thank you, Christmas and other holiday gifts? Family and Friends love getting gift cards! Why not make them happy AND support our grade 12s have a safe after-grad party? You know who else appreciates gift cards Employees and Clients!

Have a company or work for a company that is looking for great ideas for employees and clients? We have the answer! Place your corporate gift card order through us and support a safe After-grad celebration. Corporate letters available, just ask! Or buy for yourself.

You are buying groceries, getting gas, going out for dinner anyways, right?! Why not support the G23 After-grad fundraiser at the same time? Buy cards for stores you would frequent anyways and a percentage of that money will help the kids and it costs you nothing extra.

How this works:

- Check out our extensive list of retailers
- Fill out the form and return to the school by November 25, 2022 with a cheque for the amount of your order

 OR
- We will send out an email when your cards are ready for pick up. We will have multiple pick up times.

Any questions contact Ilana Hoegler at gleemomih@gmail.com or Debby Moran at debbybondi@hotmail.com

RISE AND SHINE BREAKFAST CLUB

Rise and Shine Rapids! Join us every Tuesday and Thursday mornings for a quick breakfast bite in Room 126 at 8:15am. See Monica Brochu for more details.

ATHLETICS

Congratulations to Natalie Curley and Jayden Armstrong on their SFU Athletics signing!



SFU Basketball signs Natalie Curley



SFU Volleyball signs Jayden Armstrong

Congratulations to our very own Gr12 Sydney Turner as a member of Team Canada, which placed 3rd at the World Championships in Liverpool, England. For the first time in history, Canada won a team medal at the 2022 World Artistic Gymnastics Championships!



ROBOTICS

The Riverside Robotics Team Opened up their competitive season with a 6th place finish in a field of 60 teams. It was great to see the team perform so well amongst the Province's top teams. Their next Tournament is in Early December. Here are some highlights. Highlight video

YEARBOOK

The 2023 Yearbook is on sale until January 23rd. This year's Yearbook features sports, clubs, portraits, and school events! To purchase the book (\$60), please use the School Cash Online link on the Riverside Website.

Please note: Students must have already paid for their school fees to see the Yearbook optional purchase tab on School Cash Online.

WALL OF EXCELLENCE

The purpose of the Wall of Excellence is to recognize staff and students, individuals and or groups, for their outstanding achievements and or contributions to our school and community.

All Wall of Excellence alumni are displayed on the TV screen by the entrance.

At the year-end award ceremony, these exceptional examples will be celebrated for their accomplishments and efforts and will serve to inspire future Riverside staff and students. These exceptional examples will be celebrated for their accomplishments and efforts and will serve to inspire future Riverside staff and students.

We hope you can nominate past Riverside students that you believe would make a strong candidate.

The application criteria and process can be found in the Riverside Website, under the "Quick Links" to the Wall of Excellence or go here: <u>Wall of Excellence - École Riverside Secondary School (sd43.bc.ca)</u>. Applications are due on the first of April 2023, feel free to read the website for further information.

GRAD CLASS OF 2023

Post Secondary Information

November 23rd – University of Calgary – 8:30am in the Foyer November 30th – University of Alberta – 3:15pm in the Library

Scholarship Meeting #2

November 22nd at lunch in the Library

For more information visit Ms. David's website: Riverside Home Page, Programs and Services, Career Centre and follow her IG @riversidepostsecondaryadvising.

DRAMA



Our own River's Edge Theatre will be hosting the PoCo Festival of Short Shorts on Thursday Nov. 24 and Friday Nov. 25, spotlighting four short plays from three schools: Riverside, Terry Fox Secondary and Archbishop Carney Secondary.

Casts, crews and directors have been rehearsing exciting theatre for the modern attention span, spanning from comedy to drama to honest realism.

Tickets are only \$5 at the door and the curtain opens at 7:30pm Thursday/Friday night.

See you in the theatre!

CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

Coming up again this Christmas, our school will be organizing hampers through <u>People's Pantry</u>. These hampers will be given out to families in need before winter break by each Stream class. Any donations you and your family have to offer like non-perishable food items, gift cards, or cash donations can be dropped off at your Stream classroom throughout the month of December.

STUDENT CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Interested in Firefighting? Becoming a First Responder?

The Junior Firefighter Academy Applications are now open and are due to Ms. David by Dec. 1st.

The District is offering two Fire Academies this year for current Grade 11s and 12s. It is a wonderful and unique opportunity to experience the true understanding of the basic components of both the physical and educational sides of Fire Rescue's basic training for new recruits.



Coquitlam Fire Rescue: March 10 - 17, 2023 (Spring Break)

Port Moody Fire Rescue: April 20 - 23, 2023

For more information and application

JOB OPPORTUNITIES AT SD43

The Coquitlam School District is looking for permanent Noon Hour Assistants to supervise students indoors and outdoors during lunch break (one hour per day) within an assigned zone at our school. (Previous experience working with groups of children is an asset!)

Please submit your resume (by email) to Kristy Kozak, Human Resources Advisor @ kkozak@sd43.bc.ca if you would be interested in becoming a Noon Hour Assistant for our schools.