



CALENDAR of EVENTS

March 14th

Last day of school before Spring Break

March 17th—30th

Spring Break

March 31st

School back in session

April 8th

After-Grad Meeting 7:00 p.m.

April 11th

Professional Day (District)

April 15th

PAC Meeting 7:00 p.m.
Library

April 24th

Reports distributed at Parent/Teacher Conferences
2:30—6:00 p.m.
Gymnasium
Shortened Day Schedule
2:00 dismissal

Spoken Word Festival

The English department is proud to announce that we will be hosting our annual Spring Spoken Word Festival. Come listen to our students rant, discuss and express themselves in a variety of spoken word genres. All guests are welcome to attend our event. The festival will take place in the cafeteria.

Thursday May 2nd
(Grade 11 and 12)

Friday May 3rd
(Grade 9 and 10)

12:45 p.m. - 3 p.m.



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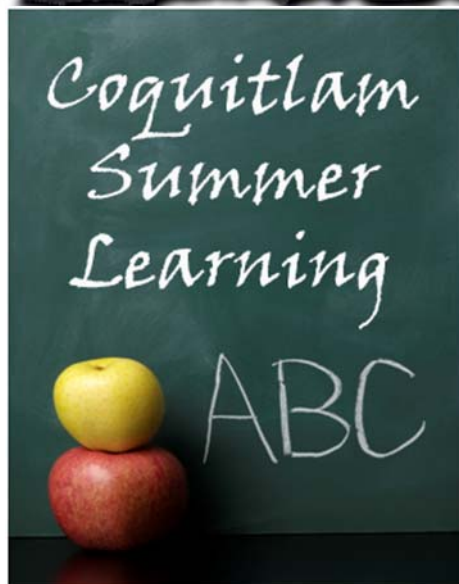
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SUMMER LEARNING 2014

ONLINE Registration Dates

(6:00 a.m. Opening)

Students **must have** an account with our online system **BEFORE** registering for courses. Please visit this website and create/update your account **now**.

Visit www.summerlearningcoquitlam.ca

Grades 9 and 10 Remedial & EAL: May 20

Grades 9 and 10 Skill Building: May 27

Grade 10 High School Credit: May 6

Grade 11 High School Credit: May 9

Grade 12 High School Credit: May 13

We are offering new courses including Fitness 10 – check out the website for more information

Attention Grade 12's

Grade 12 students need to report any scholarships or bursaries earned to Mrs. Chittenden in the counselling office.

Local scholarship meetings will be held on April 14th & April 15th at lunch, sign up with Mrs. Chittenden at the beginning of April.



Parents can link to my blog, "The Pulse". The link is:

<http://aciolfitto.wordpress.com/>



Career Programs

L KING FOR SOMETHING TO DO OVER SPRING BREAK?

Check out some post-secondary institutions!



March 19 - 21st – Corpus Christi college is hosting a preview week!

More info available at <http://corpuschristi.ca/campus-tours/preview-events>

March 21st – Thompson Rivers University Open House!

More info available at <http://www.tru.ca/openhouse.html>



Join in the 100th birthday celebrations at PoCo City Hall

Saturday March 15th <http://pocoheritage.org>



Do you have a product, service, dream or idea that could benefit others? Enter a contest to win a new laptop and grant money!

More info under the Career Centre website under 'Events and Contests'! <http://www.sd43.bc.ca/secondary/riverside/ProgramsServices/CareerCentre/Pages/default.aspx>

Looking for a summer job or some future career ideas?

REGISTER FOR:
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Forklift Certification or Introduction to Policing

Research all of the many job opportunities



ALL THIS AND MORE CAN BE FOUND ON YOUR CAREER CENTRE WEBSITE!

<http://www.sd43.bc.ca/secondary/riverside/ProgramsServices/CareerCentre/Pages/default.aspx>

The Coquitlam Board of Education is enhancing the budget process for the 2014-2015 year. The new process will include providing multiple opportunities for public input, starting in April 2014 once Ministry funding has been announced.

We invite you to get involved in this dialogue. Help deepen our collective understanding, identify the challenges and opportunities and share your ideas on how we can make the best use of the funds available for our children, employees, and communities. Your advice will help guide the board's decisions and actions. Free child-minding will be available at the Townhall Meeting and the Open House.

Community consultation events take place from April 1 to April 29, 2014.

Townhall Meeting

Tuesday, April 1, 2014, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Gymnasium - Winslow Centre **
Join us at the Townhall Meeting to learn more about the process.

Public Open House

Tuesday, April 8, 2014, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Gymnasium - Winslow Centre **
Join us at the Open House to share your ideas and concerns.

Regular Public Board Meeting

Tuesday, April 8, 2014, 8:30 p.m.
Gallery Room - Winslow Centre **
An opportunity for public input to the 2014-2015 budget. To learn more about registering a delegation, call 604-939-9201.

Special Public Board Meeting - Budget

Thursday, April 10, 2014, 7:00 p.m.
Gallery Room - Winslow Centre **
An opportunity for public input to the 2014-2015 budget. To learn more about registering a delegation, call 604-939-9201.

Twitter Chat

Tuesday, April 15, 2014, 4:00 p.m.
@TheTriCitiesNow and @sd43bc using #sd43budget

Special Public Board Meeting – Budget 2014/15 Budget Recommendations

Tuesday, April 15, 2014, 7:00 p.m.
Gallery Room, Winslow Centre **

Special Public Board Meeting - Budget 2014/15 Preliminary Budget

Tuesday, April 22, 2014, 7:00 p.m.
Gallery Room - Winslow Centre **
An opportunity for the public to ask questions in regards to the 2014-2015 budget recommendations.

Regular Public Board Meeting 2014/15 Final Budget

Tuesday, April 29, 2014, 7:30 p.m.
Gallery Room - Winslow Centre **

** Winslow Centre
1100 Winslow Avenue, Coquitlam, B.C.

MULTI-CULTURAL LEADERSHIP

We have been busy with many activities including:

- Preparing a video with Mayor Moore, Mr. Ciolfitto and leadership students, and wired over \$1000 to be used for a Happiness Project for the children at Yamashita Dai-Ichi Elementary school . Hoping to be able to skype with the project team and children during their Happiness Project event March 25 - 27 in the town of Yamamoto.
- Preparations are underway for our Anime Festival on April 30th. There will be a cosplay café, performances and souvenirs.
- Multicultural Leadership is planning a Storytellers Festival in late May. Stories from different cultures, told in many languages. If you are interested in participating or helping, please contact Ms. Yamamoto at cyamamoto@sd43.bc.ca



Riverside Secondary Europe Exchange Program—Fall, 2014 Austrian Student Visitors

20 Host Families Needed!!!

Thank-you!!! We now have five committed families

With the primary aim of developing an understanding and appreciation for Canadian and European culture and an opportunity to visit distant lands, this very successful exchange program dates back to the inception of our school. Over the years, Riverside families have hosted hundreds of students from our sister school, Landstrasser Gymnasium in Vienna, Austria and in turn, they have hosted many of our students.

Approximately twenty-seven male and female students in grades 10, 11 and 12 will be visiting Riverside from Thursday, September 11th to Monday, September, 23rd, 2014. Again this year, we will need families to host these students. Obligations of host families include providing visiting students with a place to sleep; meals for the duration of the stay; a packed snack or lunch for day trips and making the visiting students feel as much a part of a typical Canadian family as possible. Visiting students have a sound grasp on the English language however another very important aim of their visit is to converse in English as much as possible. Visiting students will have a set itinerary for the school day with host families taking responsibility for activities during the evening and on the two visiting weekends.

It would not be unusual for a host family to ask a visiting student to help with meal preparation or basic chores. In return, Riverside students that would like to travel to Europe with our school group in the spring of 2015 would likely be hosted by the same student. Students that do not host pay significantly more to travel with our group. Over the years, Riverside families have been extremely generous with visiting students as have the Austrian families with our students. The hope is that this tradition continues and the program continues to run for many years to come. Further information on hosting an exchange student including host family applications can be found on Mr. Luongo's home page located on our school sharepoint site or on the bulletin board set up outside Rm. 124 on the main floor of the school. Feel free to contact Mr. Luongo at mlu-ongo@sd43.bc.ca with any inquires.

After-Grad Update



March 2014

The countdown is on and we are slowly but surely working towards our goal! A huge thank you to everyone who supported our last BIG three fundraisers. All three met their goals plus! Special thanks go out to Shannon Thue for her hard work on the Zumba (some of us are still shaking!), to Bernice Draper, Lianne Milani and Kim Antignani for organizing and running such a fun Beer and Burger night, and to Bev Haydock and her crew of Lottery Ticket sellers. Congrats to Shelley Chapman – she'll be travelling somewhere sunny this year for sure!

We have a busy couple of months ahead and some great opportunities to support this very big event!

Black and Lee Tuxedo Fitting/Renting fair—April 3rd. If you haven't rented your son's tuxedo yet - this is the event for you! The cost of the rentals range from \$95-169.00. This includes the coat, pants, shirt, vest, tie and cufflink studs. There is an additional cost of \$30 to order shoes, a pocket square and purchased socks. A \$50.00 deposit is required at the time of the fitting to secure the order and \$8 damage waiver which covers stains, dry cleaning/mild damages. Your son just needs to bring himself - all the measurements are done by their staff who attend the fitting fair. Please let Tracy Lineker know if you would like to attend at tracy_lineker@yahoo.ca so she can schedule you. Can't attend this date??? Just go to the Coquitlam Store, and say you're from Riverside. They will still give After Grad a % back! The suits will be dropped off at the school once they are ready. Can it get any easier??!! (lucky you who have a "boy" grad!)

Bowling Night Event April 26! This is not only a great FUNdraiser but a good opportunity to enjoy a night out with our community of grad parents. Tickets are 20.00. Contact Andrew Corbould at acor-bould@sd43.bc.ca to reserve tickets! Let's make this event a sellout!

Coquitlam Florists has volunteered to donate to After Grad for every corsage or boutonniere you order there. Please make sure you mention you are a Riverside parent and they will donate a % back to After Grad as well!

We will be holding another **Movie Ticket sale** and **Meridian Meat sale** after Spring Break!! Get ready to order!! It's not too late to donate!!! As we have said many times - we know fundraisers may not be your thing but the more donations we get - the less fundraising we need to do!! Please be aware your grad's ticket covers a very small part of the cost of this event. We keep the ticket price low to ensure ALL grad's can attend and celebrate!

Our next meeting is Tuesday, April 8th at 7:00 in the library at Riverside.

Come out and join us!!

RIVERSIDE STUDENTS WRITE MATH CONTESTS

Riverside Math Students Enriched and Challenged Through Math Contests

The **Mathematics Department** continues to provide numerous opportunities for 'more able' students to enrich their mathematical experience by participating in national and international math contests. The contests include a wide range of routine and non-routine problems that encourages students to use divergent thinking skills. Special thanks are extended to the **Parent Advisory Council** that provides some of the funding to cover entry fees for some of the contests. To date, Riverside has already participated in **eight** different competitions.

We have just received the results of the **American Mathematics Competition 10 and 12** and some excellent results were achieved by our students.

American Mathematics Competition 10

Noah Tajwar ----- Top 1% of all Contestants
Sunmin Choi ----- Top 5% of all Contestants
Jeremy Fell ----- Top 5% of all Contestants
Aileen Hsieh ----- Top 25% of all Contestants

American Mathematics Competition 12

Lukas Plamondon ----- Top 1% of all Contestants
Alwin Leong ----- Top 25% of all Contestants
Evan Naugler ----- Top 25% of all Contestants
Raymond Yu ----- Top 25% of all Contestants
Bryan Logue ----- Top 25% of all Contestants
Cameron Minty ----- Top 25% of all Contestants

The comparative results of Pascal, Cayley, and Fermat Contest of the Canadian Mathematics Competition will be available shortly after spring break.

Other contests to be held this year:

Euclid Contest (Grade 12)	Tuesday, April 15, 2014
Fryer Contest (Grade 9)	Wednesday, April 16, 2014
Galois Contest (Grade 10)	Wednesday, April 16, 2014
Hypatia Contest (Grade 11)	Wednesday, April 16, 2014

Riverside's **Math Challengers Club** competed at the Provincial Championships on **Saturday March 8th at UBC**. **Math Challengers** is an enrichment program that promotes mathematics achievement among students in Grades 8 and 9 by challenging students with stimulating and thought-provoking questions. Teams from these schools then compete with each other at regional tournaments and then the top teams advance to the Provincials. Best of luck are extended to **Arezou Amounzandeh, Brenda Shen, Andrea Szto, Gerrik Wong** and **Timothy Song** that will represent Riverside. Special thanks go out to **Ms. Wong** that has spent many hours outside of class time teaching new content and enhancing the team's problem solving skills.

Again, many thanks go out to the many parents that encouraged their students to sign up and participate in these contests. If there are any further inquires, please contact Mr. Muro at cmuro@sd43.bc.ca.

Heritage
at Leigh Square

Where Stories Connect



Museum and Archives
2100 – 2253 Leigh Square
Port Coquitlam, BC
V3C 3B8
(Access off McAllister
Street)



SPRING BREAK CAMP



“MAKING GOOD WITH THE THREE R’S”

Join the volunteers at Heritage at Leigh Square as we
explorer “RENEW, RECYCLE, REUSE”
through experiments, crafts, games and songs



Place	Heritage at Leigh Square
Date & Time	Wed. March 19 or 26, 2014, 12:30 pm -3:30pm
Fee	\$20/child ages 10-12
Registration	To reserve a spot, register in person Customer Service, at The Outlet.

Phone: (604)927-8403
Email: info@pocoheritage.org
Website: www.pocoheritage.org



Heritage at Leigh Square is operated by the Port Coquitlam Heritage and Cultural Society, an all volunteer, not for profit organization



SPRING BREAK IS COMING – PLEASE LOOK AFTER THE SCHOOL

The school in your neighbourhood will be empty during spring break between March 15 – March 30, 2014. Empty schools can provide an inviting target for vandals. You can help keep the school safe.

What You Can Do

Keep your eyes and ears open for suspicious activities on the school grounds. Signs of trouble include late night trespassers and the gathering of unorganized groups of people.

Everything you see and hear helps. Note the physical characteristics and clothing of individuals. If you see automobiles, jot down license plate numbers.

Report All Suspicious Activities to the Vandal Watch Tip Line

604-927-7600

Call immediately when something raises your suspicions.

Do not wait for the damage to be done.

Your Call is Anonymous and Confidential

No one will ask for your name or phone number. The Tip Line is available 24 hours a day. Security personnel will investigate and will take action or involve the police. Do not get involved in a confrontation yourself.

KEEP THE TIP LINE PHONE NUMBER HANDY. MAKE SURE THE PHONE NUMBER IS GIVEN ONLY TO RESPONSIBLE ADULTS.