



# THE “BEST” INFORMER



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2021

TODAY IS DAY 2



\*\*\*\*Please note: All new and changed items are in red\*\*\*\*

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **PERSONALIZED GLASS SALE DECEMBER 7-10**

Looking for a great personalized gift for your parents, teachers or friends for Christmas? The Students 4 Students Club will be selling personalized glasses in the lobby for \$6 & \$7.

All proceeds go to childrens' education in Zimbabwe.

Orders will be ready on December 15.

### **FROM THE LIBRARY**

Do you currently have a library book checked out? If so, please **return or renew** it before Winter Break.

Thank you!

### **LOST AND FOUND TABLE**

Lost and found items will be displayed from Monday Dec. 13 – Thursday Dec. 16.

Any unclaimed items will be donated to SHARE on Friday Dec. 17.

### **STUDENT PHOTOS**

A new shipment of student photos has arrived at the office (NOT Grad Photos).

STUDENTS, please check your district email as soon as possible for an alert to come to the office to pick up.

### **PLEASE PICK UP YOUR PARKING PASS**

Please come to the office to pick up your parking pass:

Rachel E. Gabriella R, Shia T

### **CALLING ALL BASKETBALL PLAYERS!!**

Hello teachers and students! Leadership Students are looking for basketball players or students who love basketball to join in our fundraiser for local families in need: **Jingle Hoops**.

Join us on **December 17<sup>th</sup> from 3:30-5pm in the Large Gym**.

**\$5 DONATION TO PARTICIPATE!**

FOLLOW THE SCHOOL INSTAGRAM FOR MORE UPDATES (@charlesbestscho)

CLICK THE LINK TO SIGN UP OR SCAN QR

CODE: <https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=74xl2ZICUkKZJWRC3iSks94H6nTmNWXElaAM3AimPYpUNOVsQ1RKMDBOTTRGODdZN0JIMTIVWIIzVC4u>



### **WINTER WEATHER AHEAD**

Please use extra caution when walking or driving in inclement weather.

Plan ahead and give yourself extra time.

### **LITTER ON SCHOOL GROUNDS**

Students, please respect school property by using our recycling, organic and garbage bins.

### STUDENT PARKING PASS

ALL students parking a car at Charles Best are required to display a parking pass.

Please come to the office to request a Student Vehicle Registration form.

GRADE 12'S that means you too 😊

### CHARLES BEST SPIRIT WEAR NOW AVAILABLE

Our school store is now open! Click on the link below or scan the QR code to check out what's new.

Order deadline is 11:59pm December 16.

<https://best2021spiritstore.itemorder.com/sale>



## SPORTS

### BASKETBALL GAMES TODAY

Senior Girls @ St. Thomas Moore

Senior Boys Tournament play @ Guildford Park Secondary

## CLUBS

### PROJECT HELLO-1<sup>ST</sup> MEETING TODAY!

Help the homeless feel connected and heard in our community. Come to our first meeting on **December 9<sup>th</sup>**!

Meetings are in room 602 every Thursday at 3:20pm. For more information, check out our Instagram @Projecthello.

## GRADE 12'S

### CAREER CENTRE NEWS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS

#### COQUITLAM JR. FIREFIGHTER ACADEMY – DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 10TH

Reminder: Applications for this Spring Break Program are **due this Friday, December 10!**

**All Grade 11 & 12 students are invited to apply.** The Junior Firefighting Program is a partnership between SD43 and Coquitlam fire & Rescue and will give participants a true understanding of the basic components of the basic training for new recruits. [More info here](#)

#### SFU STEM SPEAKER SERIES: MATERIAL ENGINEERING

Learn more about potential careers in STEM by joining this monthly Speaker Series. **Sat, December 11, 1-2 pm.**

[Register here.](#)

#### TRAIN IN TRADES PROGRAMS FOR NEXT YEAR'S COURSE SELECTION

This is a reminder that our SD43 Trades Training Programs will not appear on your course selection sheet.

Any student who is interested in taking a Trades Program for the 2022-2023 school year must complete an application through the [District's Career Program website](#).

Any questions about this, please contact Ms. Kaufmann at the Career Centre or talk to your counsellor.

To view a full list of trades training programs [CLICK HERE](#)

## POST SECONDARY EVENTS

### LANGARA COLLEGE – PRESENTATION FOR SD43

Thu, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 6 pm. [Register here](#)

### EMILY CARR PORTFOLIO REVIEW DAY

Fri, December 10<sup>th</sup> from 8 am to 2 pm. Click on link below to book.

[Book appointment with an Emily Carr representative to review your portfolio](#)

### UBC APPLICATION WORKSHOP

Monday, December 13, 3.30 pm. [Register early](#) (it takes UBC up to 2 days to activate your account).

### SFU SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION

Faculty Information Session on Tuesday, December 14 at 4:30 pm PST. [Register here](#)

### DOUGLAS COLLEGE – ON CAMPUS FACULTY OPEN HOUSES

- **Tue, December 14** at 5 pm: Coquitlam Campus  
Incl. Applied Community Studies, Commerce & Business, Health Sciences, Humanities & Social Sciences, Science & Technology
- **Thu, December 16** at 5 pm: New Westminster Campus  
Incl. Commerce & Business, Humanities & Social Sciences, Language | Literature | Performing Arts, Science & Technology

For details and to register for one of the events, please visit the [Douglas College website](#).

### U OF T FACULTY OF MUSIC – APPLYING 101

Webinar designed to guide you through the application process and answer questions about admission requirements, the music questionnaire, and the audition process. **Wed, December 15**, 5 pm Pacific.

[Register here](#)

## SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

### STEAM HORIZON AWARDS

5 \$25,000 scholarships are available to the next generation of scientists and engineers. The award will be given to individuals who demonstrate inspiring achievements in these fields by applying their passion to have an impact on their community and who show strong potential to become ambassadors for STEAM fields for younger generations. [More info here](#). **Deadline is January 14, 2022.**

### U. OF GUELPH ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIP FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

The Dr. Franco J. Vaccarino President's Scholarships recognize top international students who have made significant contributions to their school and their community and demonstrate the potential to become a leader in society. Scholarships are \$8,250/year, plus one \$9,500 stipend for a full-time summer research assistantship position after first year. Applicants will be automatically considered for Guelph's Academic Leadership International Entrance Scholarships, worth \$20,000. **Applications are due January 25, 2022**

### COQUITLAM FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS & BURSARIES 2022

The Coquitlam Foundation annually distributes scholarships and bursaries, primarily to graduating high school students who are in need of financial support to continue their education. There are 17 different awards, all with their individual criteria. You can apply for as many as suit your personal situation with one single application. Award values are TBA (depending on the funds available in the Spring), but in the past all awards varied from \$500 to \$2,000. **Deadline is February 15, 2022.** [More info here.](#)

## IMPORTANT REMINDERS

### **\*\*\*\*WINTER WEATHER\*\*\*\***

Winter weather is coming. Please use extra caution when driving or walking in inclement conditions.

### **\*\*\*\*\*SCENT FREE SCHOOL\*\*\*\*\***

All schools and buildings within SD43 are “scent free” places of work and learning. Numerous students and staff have serious medical complications with various natural and chemical scents/fragrances. As such, please make every effort to avoid using or wearing scented products within this space in order to establish an environment that is as “scent safe” as possible.

### **\*\*\*\*\*CROSSING COMO LAKE\*\*\*\*\***

All students: Please remember to use the crosswalks and obey all traffic lights when crossing Como Lake Avenue.

### **\*\*\*ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS\*\*\*NO LOITERING IN BUS SHELTER\*\*\***

Students are reminded that the bus shelters are for people who are actually waiting to get on a bus. Please do not use them as social gathering places.

### **\*\*\*\*\*STUDENT DROP OFFS\*\*\*\*\***

Please be aware that when dropping students off in the morning, vehicles are **not permitted** to stop at the west entrance roundabout. Stopping in the roundabout causes dangerous traffic problems on Como Lake Ave and impedes traffic.

### **\*\*SLOW DOWN AND USE CAUTION IN THE DRIVEWAY/DROP OFF AREA IN FRONT OF THE SCHOOL\*\***

Students are reminded to slow down and use the designated crosswalks when crossing through the school driveway area. Be very vigilant as drivers are often distracted as they are moving in and out of waiting spots. Also, our student drivers are reminded that the expectation is “dead slow” in our school driveways and parking lots.

### **\*\*\*VAPING IS NOT PERMITTED IN THE SCHOOL OR ON SCHOOL GROUNDS\*\*\***

**Vaporizers and/or e-cigarettes cannot be possessed at school under any circumstances.**

Students are not permitted to have these devices in their lockers, backpacks, or on their person at any time while on school property. If a student is found in possession of a vaporizer or e-cigarette, it will be confiscated. Parents will be contacted and required to meet with the administration and their son/daughter. Reoccurring incidents will result in disciplinary action.

