



# THE "BEST" INFORMER



**THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 2022**  
**TODAY IS DAY 1**



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

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### NO SCHOOL FRIDAY AND MONDAY

School is not in session on Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup> and Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup>. Classes resume on Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>.

### RED DRESSES

May 2-9 there will be Red Dresses hung along Como Lake Ave outside our school. These Dresses are to raise awareness about the ongoing crisis of Murdered and missing Indigenous women in Canada. Please treat the dresses with reverence and respect.

### LOST AND FOUND

Please come to the office to claim your missing jewelry. Also, please be sure to check the large lost and found bin in the main hallway. Any unclaimed items will be taken to SHARE.

### DUE TODAY - FRIMM GRADS

Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup> is the last day to order your French Immersion Grad Hoodie. The link was emailed to all Grade 12 FRIMM students last week.

### CLUB LEADER/ACADEMIC ASSISTANCE NEEDED

Any grade 10s or 11s who are interested in becoming a club leader and providing academic assistance in math and science, please contact the Best Study Network Instagram for more information.

### COVID 19 TEST KITS

If you haven't yet picked up your Covid 19 rapid antigen test kit, please come to the office ASAP.

### INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS: SUMMER SCHOOL

International Education Summer School is now open for registration. Any Coquitlam International student wishing to take summer credit courses may only register with International Education. Please see Mrs. Joba if you have any questions about the registration form which has already been emailed to you.

Courses run from Monday July 4 to Friday August 12, 2022

### DR. CHARLES BEST SECONDARY PRESENTS – FRANKENSTEIN 1930

The Best Players are back and rehearsing for our first performance in over two years!

**Frankenstein 1930** by Fred Carmichael is a chilling adaptation of the Mary Shelly classic. The play harkens back to a time when monsters existed in people's imaginations. This genre thriller/ comedy is packed with the right balance of screams and laughs and brings me back to a time when I used to dim the lights and settle in with a group of friends to scare ourselves silly watching monster movies. Not to brag, but our talented cast is bringing it to life quite believably. Audiences will love it like a Friday night late show.

It is frightening, funny and campy and you won't want to miss it.

**Frankenstein 1930** opens **Thursday May 5<sup>th</sup>, running May 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, and 14<sup>th</sup>.**

*Directed by Brad Case*, tickets prices will be \$12.00 for adults and \$10.00 for seniors and students.

Box office opens at 6:45 PM with doors at 7:00 PM and curtain at 7:30 PM. "SAVE THE DATE"

## SPORTS

### SENIOR GIRLS SOCCER

The girls are off to UBC for tournament play Wednesday and Thursday. Go Blue Devils!

### BOYS RUGBY

The Junior and Senior boys are headed to Burnaby today for their matches. Let's go!

### ESPORTS COMPETITION:CAP-U-CUP

Do you and your friends enjoy a little competitive gaming? Want a chance to test your skills against students across the Lower Mainland and win prizes? CapU is hosting its first ever esports tournament, The Capilano Cup, on April 16, 2022! The chosen battlefield is League of Legends! Students in **Grades 8-12 can enter for free.** Check out their Linktree page to register.

## GRADE 12'S

### CAPSTONE PROJECT

Capstone presentations are soon, taking place from April 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>. Please check your CLC teams to find your Capstone schedule to see which day you will be presenting.

### DR. CHARLES BEST SENIOR SAIL – GRADS of 2022

Senior Sail tickets on Sale now! First Come First Serve. Purchase tickets Online. The link is on the website, under "Student Fees". **Only 20 Tickets Left!**

### GRADUATION TIMELINE-UPDATED DOCUMENT

Click on the link below or find it on our website homepage to access the updated Graduation Timeline document.

There are many important dates so please take a look!

[Timeline for Grad 2022.pdf](#)

### COMMENCEMENT MESSAGE

Grade 12's it's time to write your commencement message. These are the comments that will be read out as you cross the stage for Graduation. The link was emailed to all Grade 12's or find the link on our school website homepage. Please have completed by Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup>.

## CLUBS

We will not be starting any new clubs at this time. Clubs are encouraged to meet virtually but can meet in person if they are under the direct supervision of their sponsor teacher for the entire meeting. Everyone is to wear their masks, space out appropriately and follow all covid protocols.

## CAREER CENTRE NEWS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS

### VOLUNTEER & EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Check out the [Career Centre website](#) or team for a long list of recently updated volunteer opportunities. Youth In Action Project with CVC is looking for long-term volunteers who are interested in obtaining leadership skills and doing project-based work. SFU camps, Pedalheads (biking) and Royal Soccer Club are still looking for volunteers for their summer camps. ScotFest! DumplingFest! Golden Spike Festival! Vancouver Children's Festival. Glam up your resume by getting involved in your community. Pedalheads Bike Camps and Royal Soccer Club Summer Camps are also actively looking to hire instructors/ camp counsellors for this Summer!

### THIS WEEKEND - SFU STEM SPEAKER SERIES: ROBOTICS

**Apr 16, 2022** (Saturday), 1:00-2:00 pm. [Register here](#)

### APPLY BY SUNDAY - YMCA SUMMER WORK STUDENT EXCHANGE (SWSE)

This national exchange program will allow **16- and 17-year-old Canadians** to spend six weeks this summer to an area of Canada where your second official language is spoken. Students will work full time with a community-based non-profit organization (paid), stay with a host family and participate in organized program activities. Cost is \$125 and covers travel to/ from the host community and expenses related to the planned activities.

Host families will be providing food for three meals/ day. Register for an upcoming info night:

[Wed, April 13 @ 7 pm. Apply here](#) by April 17.

## CAREER CENTRE NEWS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS

### MICRO TRADES SAMPLER FOR INDIGENOUS YOUTH

SD43 with support of ACCESS BC will be running a 6-day micro-experience for **Indigenous students, grades 9-12**, who are interested in trying trades! This opportunity is an introductory experience, where students will get to learn in a supportive and risk-free environment. No prior experience in trades or tech classes are required. Students will be introduced to Carpentry, CNC machining, Landscaping and Cooking. They will also get lunch and/or breakfast at each session, a tour of BCIT and over \$250 worth of personal protective gear and equipment that they get to keep upon completion of the program. Please note that you will be missing school on the event days. **SIGN UP HERE**. **Deadline is Wed, April 20.**

### YOUTH TO SEA LEADERSHIP & VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

80 youth from the Lower Mainland will get the opportunity to develop their ocean conservation knowledge while engaging with their community through workshops, work experience placements and ocean service projects. Explore nature and science-based career paths and obtain 120+ service hours over the summer. **Must be 15-18.**

The program runs May – October 2022 and includes a 3-day overnight training at Camp Jubilee to start off. **Details here**. **Apply by April 24.** Any questions about this, please see Ms. Kaufmann.

### CAMP IGNITE

Camp Ignite is a four-day overnight camp (starting in the afternoon of Aug 4th) consisting of three full days of firefighting activities at assorted locations in the lower mainland. The camp is **open to girls in grades 11-12 (ages 15-18)** living in British Columbia. The camp offers an introduction to the exciting world of firefighting. All participants are sponsored by their local fire departments, but parents are responsible for transportation to/ from the camp. Complete [Camp Ignite Participant Application Form](#) and email to [info@campignite.com](mailto:info@campignite.com) **by June 1st, 2022.**

### SCIENCE WORLD - FUTURE SCIENCE LEADERS

Future Science Leaders (FSL) presented by Acuitas is an after-school science enrichment program for teens designed to unleash creative potential and build a life-long network of like-minded peers while engaging curious minds with the nature of STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art & design, and math) in sessions led by diverse experts and professionals. Cost is \$500, but financial assistance is available for those who need it. Participants can attend at either the Vancouver location (Science World), or in Surrey.

**Must be in Grade 10 or 11 in September 2022.** [More info here.](#)

## POST SECONDARY EVENTS

### KPU TRADES INFO SESSIONS

**TONIGHT - Appliance Service Technician: Thu, Apr 14, 2022 - 5:30 PM.** [Register here](#)

- Electrical Programs: **Thu, Apr 21, 2022 - 5:30 PM.** [Register](#)
- Carpentry: **Tue, Apr 26, 2022 - 5:30 PM** [Register](#)

### DOUGLAS COLLEGE INFO NIGHTS

**Tue, April 19 & Thu, April 21, 5 pm.** Program session vary with date. Virtual. [Register here.](#)

### BCIT AIRPORT OPERATIONS PROGRAMS

Info Session. **Wed, April 20, 5:00 pm.** [Register here.](#)

### VANCOUVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE

**April 20 & 21.** Check out the schedule of events and [register here.](#)

### EDUCATION USA VIRTUAL FAIR

Speak one-on-one with admissions representatives from 43 different states, representing diverse higher education institutions including art institutes, research universities, liberal arts colleges, and more! You will also be able to attend presentations by and meet representatives from the NCAA and NAIA athletic organizations.

**April 21, 2022, 2:00 am-6:00 pm.** REGISTER HERE

### UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO: PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS EVENTS

Calling all Grade 11 students who are hoping to apply for U of T. They always encourage BC students to apply by November, so now is a great time to start looking into this.

- **Sunday, April 24, 9.30 am – 12 pm** In-Person at the Fairmont Hotel Vancouver. [Register here.](#)
- **Monday, April 25 at 5 pm** Pacific Time (virtual). [Register here.](#)

## SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

### LAST CHANCE - CHARLENE REAVELEY BURSARY

\$1,000 scholarships are available for students who have experienced the loss of a parent or sibling. Must be involved in the community/ volunteering, good academic standing, and intend to pursue post-secondary studies. **Apply by April 15.** <http://www.crcs.ca/bursary-program/>

### LAST CHANCE - FUTURE ACES SCHOLARSHIPS

\$1,000 scholarships are available to students who are contributing to society by having exhibited good citizenship through community service, character-building initiatives and/or by participating in humanitarian causes. **Deadline extended to April 18.** [Apply here.](#)

### SFU ENTRANCE AWARDS & BURSARIES

Financial aid is available for students for whom the cost of attending university would be a significant barrier to accepting their admission to Simon Fraser University. Applicants must have a demonstrated need and grades in the 80% range in courses required for their selected program. **Deadline is April 30<sup>th</sup>.** [More info here.](#)

### COQUITLAM OPTIMIST CLUB – ROBERT SIMMS MEMORIAL AWARD

Multiple bursaries are awarded primarily based on the students' service to their communities and financial need. Must be planning to register at a post-secondary institution following graduation. **Deadline is April 30<sup>th</sup>.** [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.