

THE "BEST" INFORMER



TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2023 TODAY IS DAY 1

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



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

TOMORROW - GRADE 9 IMMUNIZATION DAY

Immunizations are taking place on Wednesday, March 1st.

Grade 9 students will be called down from their classes in alphabetical order starting in Block 1.

2023-2024 COURSE SELECTIONS OVERDUE

Students currently in Grade 9, 10 & 11, you course selection entries into your MYED student portals should now be complete. Please see your Counsellor if you need assistance.

A-G: Ms. John H-O: Mr. Chang P-Z: Mr. Papillo

PURDY'S FUNDRAISER

Who needs chocolate for Easter?!?! Click on the link to order by March 10^{th.}

<u>Purdys Chocolatier Group Savings and Fundraising</u>

STUDENT PARKING PASS

ALL students parking a vehicle on school property require a parking pass.

Once you have completed your 'N' road test, please come to the office for a registration form.

Reminder to all current students with a parking pass-your pass must be visible in your front windshield when your car is parked on school grounds.

SPORTS

SENIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL

Our senior girls' basketball team has qualified for the Provincials for the first time in 7 years! Wish our team luck as they start Provincial play at the Langley Events Centre on Wednesday, March 1st.

GO BLUE DEVILS!

FIELD LACROSSE

The Field lacrosse season has come to an abrupt and disappointing end.

Provincials have been cancelled and will not be rescheduled due to the snow fall.

We hope to see you all next year playing on the Charles Best lacrosse team!

JUNIOR AND SENIOR LACROSSE TEAM PHOTOS

Team photos this **Wednesday March 1 after school.** It will only take 10 minutes. Please meet at the shed at 3:30pm with your Best pinnie and shorts. The photos are for the yearbook! You do not need sticks, helmets or gear.

Stay tuned for more details on other year-end announcements through Mr. J at school or TeamSnap.

TRACK AND FIELD WEEK OF FEB 27 – MARCH 3

Track & field practices this week will be at Charles Best – NOT TOWN CENTRE – as the track is closed due to the snow.

CLUBS

Be sure to check Instagram for club posts

INTERESTED IN JOINING A CLUB?

Club posters are still up on the bulletin board in the front lobby for anyone still interested in joining a club.

CAREER CENTRE NEWS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY - ROYAL CITY SOCCER SUMMER CAMPS

Volunteer for any camp week in July and August. (half-day or full-day).

Work with children aged 5 to 13 out of Town Centre Park and Gleneagle Secondary School.

Candidates can apply by visiting the EMPLOYMENT page on their website.

The program is designed to promote personal development, team building and of course, FUN!

STUDY & GO ABROAD FAIR VANCOUVER

Start planning to study or travel abroad. Learn about university and college programs, scholarships, working abroad, and volunteer opportunities worldwide! **March 2**nd. Register for free.

SFU STEM SPEAKER SERIES: SUSTAINABLE ENERGY ENGINEERING

For their March talk, the speaker will introduce the field of sustainable energy engineering, which is an emerging engineering discipline that focuses on sustainable energy systems with consideration of societal and cultural implications. **Sat, March 11,** 1-2 pm. Free. Register here.

BCIT BIOTECHOLOGY CAREER AWARENESS WORKSHOP

This partnership between BCIT, Life Sciences BC, local biotechnology companies and participating school districts will be running April 17 – 21, 2023. Eligible students are in Grades 10-12 and must have an expressed interest in science-related curriculum, be enthusiastic about scientific research and lab work, and be interested in learning about careers related to biotechnology. Fees: \$226.90 (domestic), \$680.70 (international).

Apply by Mon, March 13.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY - FESTIVAL DU BOIS

Do you want to meet more Francophones and Francophiles in our region? Want to help out in your community and collect volunteer hours at the same time? Speaking French is not a prerequisite!

When: March 22 (pre-work) to Mar 27, 2023 (depending on your availability and the shifts you choose)

Minimum commitment is a 4 hour shift, sign up here: https://www.festivaldubois.ca/volunteer/

CAMP IGNITE FOR GRADE 11 & 12 GIRLS

Are you an aspiring firefighter? Do you have an interest in exploring the limits of your potential? Ignite your passion. Ignite the possibilities. August 10-13. **Apply by April 1**st, 2023. More here.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY - SFU SUMMER CAMPS

Gain practical experience in a safe and fun environment. Work with children and youth, build leadership skills, and much more. **Apply for this volunteer position by April 17**th. Selected candidates will be invited to an interview in late April when you can also indicate your summer availability.

Must be available to attend training June 28/29. More info/ detailed job descriptions here.

PROSPER VANCOUVER

Canada's largest business case competition run by high school students is an interactive workshop where you will learn in a conference-style setting and have the chance to apply your knowledge in an intensive business simulation. You don't need a full team to register, Prosper will assign individual registrants to teams.

Cost is \$55/ per participant. May 20th, UBC Vancouver campus. Register here.

GRADE 12'S

UBC AND UVIC ARE STILL ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

Both the University of British Columbia and the University of Victoria have extended their application period for selected programs. Most of the programs at UBC Okanagan and UVic are still accepting applications, plus very few Vancouver based UBC programs. To see details, please log into EducationPlannerBC.

Don't delay applying, programs can fill up at any time.

CHARLES BEST INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIP PACKAGE

Grade 12 students can find our scholarship package on the Career Centre Team (code gvrymg1), "Grads 2023 – Local Scholarship Package" channel. There are opportunities for all types of students, you don't need top-grades to be eligible to apply. This package also includes the District Authority Awards for students showing outstanding achievements in Trades, Applied Skills, Indigenous Languages, Fine Arts, Physical Activity and Community Service. **Application deadline is March 31**, 3 pm. Any question, please contact Mrs Kaufmann at skaufmann@sd43.bc.ca

LOOKING FOR FINANCIAL AID?

Visit the <u>Career Centre website > Financial Aid</u> tab and check out around 50 different scholarships and bursaries currently listed. These awards are based on many different criteria. Upcoming Entrance Scholarships deadlines: Capilano University (March 1), Toronto Metropolitan University (March 1), University of the Fraser Valley (March 10), Douglas College (March 31). Deadline to apply for SFU Bursaries (need-based) is April 30th.

POST SECONDARY EVENTS

UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO: CO-OP AND EXPERIMENTAL LEARNING WEBINAR

If you are in Grade 11 and thinking about applying to Waterloo in the fall, you want to learn more about their famous co-op programs. Get a head start on your post-secondary planning and attend on **Wed, March 8**, 2-3 pm. Register here.

DOUGLAS COLLEGE INFO NIGHTS

Grade 12s still unsure what to do after graduation? Consider Douglas College and learn more about individual programs they are offering. **Tue, March 14**th **or Thu, March 16**th, 5 pm, <u>online</u>. <u>Register here</u>.

