



THE "BEST" INFORMER



THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2024

TODAY IS DAY 2

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



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS/EARLY DISMISSAL TODAY

Due to parent teacher interviews, we will be running an altered bell schedule on **Thursday, March 14th**.

BLOCK 1	8:16AM – 9:05AM
BLOCK 2	9:10AM – 10:00AM
BLOCK 3	10:05AM – 10:55AM
BLOCK 4	11:00AM – 11:50AM
BLOCK 5	11:55AM – 12:45PM

TONIGHT - GRADE 12 PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

All Grade 12 parents are invited to a presentation on **Thursday, March 14th** from 6:30pm to 7pm in the library. This information session will cover sending marks to universities, the local scholarship package, CLC, Valedictorian, Dinner Dance and Commencement, and other important upcoming events.

TONIGHT - YMCA MOVIE NIGHT THURSDAY, MARCH 14TH

The Bettie Allard YMCA location is hosting a free movie night showing *Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest* **tomorrow night**. Admission is FREE, snacks and drinks are under \$2 (cash only) and there will be fun raffles and prizes! All proceeds will be donated to a mental health advocacy organization.

For questions, please contact joti.khangura@bc.ymca.ca

Address: 555 Emerson Street, Coquitlam

LAST CHANCE TODAY - LOST AND FOUND-PLEASE CHECK

Missing something? Students check the lost and found on the main floor across from the Tech Centre **BEFORE Thursday, March 14th**. Items have been displayed on tables for easy viewing.

SIGN UP ENDS TODAY - GRADE 12 FRIMM STUDENTS DELF EXAM

Grade 12 Semester One Frimm students, the link to register for the Delf is now open on the school website homepage. Please click on it and fill in the registration form (**before Friday, March 15th, 3 pm**).

Make sure you spell your name correctly, and as it appears on your passport (legal name).

You can also use the link here: <https://forms.office.com/r/C97FLm2Lij>

SIGN UP ENDS TODAY - INDIGENOUS STUDENT DAY SIGN UP

BCIT Indigenous Student Day is coming up on **April 5, 2024 at BCIT**. If any Indigenous student (grade 10 to grade 12) is interested in this opportunity, please visit our Best Indigenous Teams page for more details. Attachments are on the Best Indigenous Teams page, and they outline the event. Part of the attachments are also 3 consent forms that must be **completed by Friday, March 15th, 2024**, if you are interested in this opportunity. Need help? Please see Mr. Papillo for further details.

LOCKER CLEANOUT FOR SPRING BREAK

Please take a moment **today** to clean out your locker before the Break: dispose of any perishable food, take food containers home, recycle papers you don't need anymore.

YMCA PASSES AND SWIM INFORMATION

The Bettie Allard YMCA location is offering swim lessons and free day passes.

Scan the QR code for more information about lessons. Day passes are available until they run out in our Youth Worker's room or at the front office. Address: 555 Emerson Street, Coquitlam



STUDENT PARKING

We are experiencing a high demand for parking in the upper parking lot and the demand will only increase as more students pass the 'N' road test before the end of June. Students, you **MUST** register your car with the office and identify your car with your parking pass so we can differentiate between school demand vs. park demand. Registration forms are available in the front office.

SPIRIT WEEK!

Get ready for Spring Break by participating in Best Spirit Week! Theme dress and participate in activities to win prizes! ***Please note: You must be dressed in the theme to participate in the activities for prizes!**

All activities will run in front of the Devil's Den on the main floor during Blocks 2, 3 & 4.



GRADE 12'S

DEADLINE IN 2 DAYS - GRADE 12 STUDENTS ONLY

Find your photo on these pages and check if your name is spelled correctly. If you require any corrections or additions, use this QR code to submit the changes.

Deadline: March 16



CLOSES TOMORROW - TRIUMF YOUNG ENGINEERS AND SCIENTISTS FELLOWSHIP

The Young Engineers and Scientists (YES!) Fellowship offers six-week summer research experiences to graduating secondary students in British Columbia entering their first year at a recognized post-secondary institution. The Fellowship includes an award of \$4000. The intent of the YES Fellowship is to motivate graduating high school students with a passionate interest in science to pursue a research career in physical sciences or engineering by offering them the opportunity to experience a real life research environment. Placement dates are starting in first week of July. **Application deadline is March 15, 2024.**

[More info.](#)

POST SECONDARY EVENTS

UBC SAUDER SCHOOL OF BUSINESS OPEN HOUSE

Interested in learning more about the UBC Sauder Bachelor of Commerce (BCom) program? [Register now](#) for an info session on **Thu, April 18 or May 23, 4:30 - 6:00pm**. Future students and families will get a first look at student life in the program, connect with UBC Sauder advisors, meet the admissions team and get to ask any question they may have about the application process, and take a tour of the facilities.

SCHOLARSHIP/AWARD/BURSARY INFORMATION

Grade 12 students are encouraged to check out if they are eligible for any scholarships. The [Career Centre > Financial Aid website](#) is currently listing almost 60 different bursaries and scholarships. Also, don't miss our internal scholarships. Applications are accepted **until April 5th, 3 pm**, and students can apply to as many of the listed awards as they wish. The internal package also includes 40 District Authority Awards reserved for Charles Best grads. [More info here](#). Students with questions can visit the Career Office (in the counsellors' area) or email skaufmann@sd43.bc.ca.

CAREER CENTRE NEWS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS

SUMMIT 360 – FORUM FOR YOUNG CANADIANS

Have you ever considered what it means to be Canadian and how you can contribute to the future of your community and country? Are you interested in learning more about how our institutions, government processes, and Indigenous governance structures play a role in the impact you can have? Summit 360 will connect students 14-18 years old to learn through interactive workshops, engage through peer-to-peer activities, and network with Parliamentarians. April 2-4, 2024. [Register](#) by **March 19**.

ROYAL SOCCER SUMMER CAMP VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers age 14+ are wanted to assist staff with coaching and supervising children at camp. You can apply for one week (July-August), or many, half-day or full-day. Applicants should enjoy soccer and sporting activities, be great with children, be energetic and reliable. If you are 16 or older, you may be eligible for a CIT (Counsellor in Training) or Camp Counsellor position. [More info](#).

SFU SCIENCE ALIVE CODING CLUB

The Coding Club offers a diverse array of free in-person workshops tailored for school-age students interested in delving into coding and exploring popular digital tools. From May to June 2024, various topics are covered such as user interface and experience design, programming logic foundations (using Python), web design, mobile app development, and game development. SFU Sustainable Energy Building, Surrey. See website for topics/ dates. **Spots are limited**, [sign up](#) early.

BCIT BIOTECHNOLOGY CAREER AWARENESS WORKSHOP

Students in grades 10-12 are invited to learn more about careers in Biotechnology during a one-week workshop at BCIT (**April 15 – 19**). BCIT will be accepting 13 students with priority given to Grade 12 students first. If you are interested, **apply as soon as possible**. [More info](#).

JUNIOR INSTRUCTORS WANTED FOR UBC GEERING UP SUMMER CAMPS

Junior Instructors are high school or university students (grade 9 and up) who lend a helping hand at clubs and camps. You work closely alongside the instructor team to deliver and share STEM to youth in a hands-on and dynamic learning environment. This involves some curriculum development, assisting with lesson delivery, materials preparation, teaching opportunities, and more. There is a program running out of Coquitlam. Minimum commitment is one week full-time. [Apply](#) by **March 17**.

SFU STEM SPEAKER SERIES – YOUTH VOLUNTEERS

Are you a Grade 10-12 student who has a strong interest in STEAM topics and is eager to share your enthusiasm with others? Science Allve is currently recruiting volunteers to facilitate and moderate the ongoing STEM Speaker Series. [Details can be found here](#). **Apply by March 18**.

EDUCATION USA: UNDERSTANDING THE SAT AND THE ACT

Join EducationUSA and 3 U.S. admissions officers to learn more about the SAT and ACT standardized tests. Learn about format and content of the SAT and ACT, understand the differences between the two exams, discuss strategies for test-taking, and review what test-optional means. **March 20**, 2-3 pm PST. [Register](#). EducationUSA is a free advising resource that supports Canadian students' questions about studying in the United States. [More info](#).

NEW WESTMINSTER JUNIOR POLICE ACADEMY

Students aged 16-18 who have a desire to learn about a career in policing, listen up! Participants of the New West Student Police Academy will have the opportunity to engage in hands-on activities, learn from experienced professionals, and develop valuable skills that extend beyond the classroom. This program is ideal for students who are looking to expand their knowledge and get a behind the scenes look at all aspects of policing. From physical conditioning and self-defense tactics to scenario-based simulations and firearm safety, you will receive the most up to date police training. July 8-12, 8 am – 4 pm. \$150. [Apply here](#) by **March 31, 9 am**.

BOSA CONSTRUCTION: FULLY FUNDED CARPENTRY APPRENTICESHIP

Applications for the [Bosa Construction Legacy Scholarship program](#) are **accepted until April 15**. Bosa is seeking four driven grade 12 students from Greater Vancouver who are interested in pursuing [BCIT's Carpentry Apprenticeship Program](#) on their journey to becoming a Red Seal Carpenter. Incl. full tuition paid for all levels of apprenticeship, guaranteed employment and sponsorship with [Bosa Construction](#), and more.

CPA BC COIN COMPETITION

COIN provides students with an opportunity to compete provincially with other students who share an interest in business and accounting. The Top 25 highest-scoring students will be presented with cash prizes. The CPABC COIN Competition is an annual multiple-choice-question exam focusing on accounting, entrepreneurship, business acumen and introductory financial literacy concepts – taking place **Sat, April 20th**, 10-11 am. [Register](#) before **April 8, 2024** at 9 am.

SOYL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

This 6-week leadership program empowers secondary students to cultivate and steward schoolyard farms for learning, community building and growing Good Food for All. Through their time with SOYL, youth develop skills in growing, cooking, and selling food, as well as a greater connection to themselves, their community, and the regional food system. Youth also receive a stipend and can receive school credit for their contributions.

Running July 2 – August 8, Suwa'lkh School in Coquitlam. [More info/ application here.](#)

ATHLETICS



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CHARLES BEST 'MASTERS' CHAMPION

Max S. used a mix of brute strength and finesse to overpower Surrey Golf Course and claim the Masters Jacket for 2024 shooting a cool 79. Graeme S. got one more birdie than Max but came up one shot short claiming the Runner Up prize, shooting 80. Riley F. battled shot for shot with pair and came third shooting 83. While Max grabbed the Longest Drive medal with one of his nuclear tee shots, Nathan L. proved most accurate, pocketing the closest to the pin medal with a laser approach on Hole #3. The players finished the round in darkness, so sorry, no photos of the awards presentation yet. Congrats to the team on a great competition!

SENIOR GIRLS SOCCER

The team continues tournament play hosted by Riverside Secondary down at Town Centre Stadium today. Good luck girls!

RUGBY MARCH 11-15

SENIOR BOYS play **AWAY** on **March 14th** vs. Riverside Secondary. Game start is 4pm.

JUNIOR BOYS play **AWAY** on **March 15th** vs. Burnaby Mtn. Game starts at 4pm at Burnaby Lake fields.

GIRL'S VOLLEYBALL GRADES 9-12

Want to get a head start on volleyball try outs for next year's season? Come train with us on Wednesdays from 5-7pm starting Wednesday Apr 3rd (first Wednesday after spring break).

All levels welcome 😊 even if you didn't make a team this season.

Please see Ms. Thomas for information. Email: DThomas@sd43.bc.ca