



THE "BEST" INFORMER



THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 2024

TODAY IS DAY 2

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



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

NO SCHOOL FRIDAY, APRIL 19

Reminder, there is no school tomorrow due to a Pro-D. Day. Have a nice weekend and see you Monday!

EARTH WEEK APRIL 22-26

Join us **April 22nd to April 26th** to celebrate Earth Week. Learn some ways you can reduce your personal footprint by participating in fun activities and possibly win a prize!

Activities will run during blocks 2 to 5 in the front foyer or outdoor courtyard during periods 2 to 5.

Be sure to check out additional information running on the lobby TV.

SPRING MARKET MAY 8TH

Students at Charles Best are participating in a Spring Market at Gleneagle Secondary on **May 8th**. Community members are invited to attend from 10-2 to check out the secondary school tables and some additional vendors. Students from Best will be selling crocheted plushies, bookmarks, mugs, and handmade bracelets. *Some vendors only accept cash.

BE BEAR AWARE

Bears have recently been sighted near the school. Please be 'Bear Aware': Do not approach bears if they are on or near school grounds. Maintain eye contact, back away slowly and contact a staff member.

THE BEST PLAYERS ARE PROUD TO PRESENT

"A Midsummer Night's Dream"

This is a family friendly, timeless comedy.

Play opens **Thursday, May 2nd** and will run **May 3rd** and **4th**, as well as **May 9th**, **10th**, and **11th**.

Tickets are \$15.00 for adults and \$12.00 for students and seniors.

Box office opens at 6:45PM, doors at 7:00PM, curtain at 7:30 PM.

This wonderful story is a sure springtime cure for the winter doldrums.

We look forward to seeing you and your families in May!

KRISPY KREME DONUT FUNDRAISER

Dr. Charles Best Krispy Kreme After Grad donut fundraiser is here! Orders are open between **April 5th to April 21st** through School Cashonline accounts. Pick up is **May 2nd** between 2:30-6:00pm in the front entrance. Limited quantities will also be available on-site **May 2nd** for \$2ea or \$18/box.

SPRING FLOWER FUNDRAISER

Aftergrad 2024 is having a Spring Flower Fundraiser! Many options are available including patio planters, hanging baskets, 10-packs of bedding plants, herbs, assorted veggies etc. **Order deadline is Monday, April 29th** and **pick up is scheduled for Tuesday, May 14th**. Thanks for your support!

<https://charlesbestsecondaryaftergrad.growingsmilesfundraising.com/home>

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.

POST SECONDARY EVENTS

CAPILANO UNIVERSITY – INTERACTIVE DESIGN DIPLOMA

New simplified program application: submit a 1-minute video to describe why you want to apply to the Interaction Design program OR one example of your creative work. The two-year diploma at CapU connects design and technology to prepare you for an exciting career in tech. You'll learn in project-based, hands-on experiential environment. **Applications are accepted until June 2nd** or capacity is reached. [More info.](#)

CAPILANO UNIVERSITY – TOURISM & RECREATION PROGRAMS

Are you looking for a degree or diploma that can take you places? [Sign up](#) for a virtual info session on **April 23**, 6.30 pm, to learn about the future of the tourism and outdoor recreation industries. You will also hear about co-op work, classes, clubs, study abroad, and the Disney International Program. Applications for the fall are still being accepted. [More info about the programs.](#)

NACAC POST-SECONDARY FAIR (Canadian and international post-secondary institutions)

Start your post-secondary journey and connect with hundreds of colleges and universities from Canada, the U.S. and around the world! Please [visit the website](#) for a list of exhibitors and other details. **April 27th**, 1-4 pm, Vancouver Convention Centre.

CAREER CENTRE NEWS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO: HIGH SCHOOL MARKET SIMULATION CHALLENGE

This is an opportunity for outstanding students to get introduced to the field of finance and to learn through simulated business scenarios. Students will participate in a morning workshop designed to introduce them to financial markets and the RIT Market Simulator platform, then in the afternoon they will have the opportunity to demonstrate their newly learned skills through a Market Simulation Challenge using the RIT Market Simulator. No prior preparation is necessary for this challenge, and all required resources will be provided before and during the competition. **Free. Thu, May 2.** [Learn more here.](#)

XD HACKS MINI VANCOUVER: SAFE HACKS HACKATHON

Are you **interested in pursuing STEAM and making a difference** in the world? High school students from the Lower Mainland are invited to this in-person hackathon (held at Vancouver Independent School for Science and Technology), June 29-30. XdHacks Mini Vancouver will provide resources like workshops, keynote presentations, interactive activities, and mentors to help better equip you with skills to create innovative designs! [Sign up](#) by May 5th (**\$5 fee**). [More info.](#)

WHAT THE L? DRIVER PROGRAM

This is a free opportunity for Indigenous students age 16+ to obtain their Driver's License. Only 10 spots are available, first-come, first-serve. Must be available for two sessions (**Tue, May 7 & 14, 9.30 am – 1.30 pm**). You will get to study with the support from an ICBC instructors and do practice tests. After completing your ICBC learner license (May 12, 2-4 pm) you will gain access to free driving lessons and will complete your N. Lunch and transportation provided. [More info here.](#)

VIRTUAL NATIONAL PORTFOLIO DAY

National Portfolio Days are free, student-focused events that are designed to provide a unique opportunity for students to meet individually with professional representatives of accredited colleges and universities and to receive valuable feedback and guidance on their portfolio before it is submitted as part of their post-secondary applications. **May 4, 2024.** [Sign up here.](#)

SCHOLARSHIP/AWARD/BURSARY INFORMATION

MORE SCHOLARSHIPS LISTED ON CAREER CENTRE WEBSITE

Grade 12 students, if you are still looking for financial aid, you can find a variety of scholarships and bursaries with upcoming deadlines listed here.

[Scholarships, Bursaries and Financial Aid - École Dr. Charles Best Secondary School \(sd43.bc.ca\)](#)

THEATRE SOCIETY LEGACY FUND ARTS EDUCATION BURSARIES

Deadline extended to April 22nd. Multiple bursaries of up to \$2,000 each available for graduating Tri-Cities students who will be pursuing a formal arts education (drawing, painting, sculpting, dance, photo, digital art, performing, music, theatre, culinary, etc.). Must have demonstrated financial need. [More info here.](#)

COQUITLAM OPTIMIST CLUB: ROBERT SIMMS MEMORIAL BURSARY

Multiple \$500 awards, also reserved just for Tri-Cities students. Applicants must have demonstrated financial need and have been engaged in their community. **Deadline is April 29th**, 9 am. [More here.](#)

HORATIO ALGER VOCATIONAL & TECHNICAL EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS

25 x \$3,000 are available for graduating seniors who are planning to enroll in a vocational or technical program that has a direct pathway to employment. Applicants must be Canadian citizens who have demonstrated critical financial need and showed perseverance in overcoming adversity. [Apply here](#) by **June 17, 9 pm.**

GRADE 12'S

COMMENCEMENT MESSAGE LINK NOW LIVE

Grade 12's, check your **SCHOOL EMAILS** starting today to find the link necessary to compose your commencement message. Please write a timeless, thoughtful message your family, friends, and you would be proud to hear. **Check your school email, use the following link, or find it on our school website homepage:**

[Commencement Message 2024](#)

LAST CHANCE - GRAD GUEST FORMS

Guest forms are available at the front desk in the office. Last day to submit your form is **Thursday, April 18th**.

VALEDICTORIAN VOTING

Grade 12's, voting will be open for your Class of 2024 Valedictorian from **Friday, April 19th until Wednesday, April 24th**. You will be able to view candidate videos and vote. Please use the QR code found in an email to student email accounts on Thursday, April 18th.

GRAD DINNER/DANCE TICKETS

Tickets are now available for purchase on School Cashonline Accounts. If you do not see the option to purchase, please come to the office.

CLASS OF 2024 – HAVE YOU WON ANY SCHOLARSHIPS OR BURSARIES?

Please share the good news with us. We would like to acknowledge you in the commencement program. Undergraduate entrance scholarships, smaller automatic entrance awards, community scholarships and bursaries, etc. - even if you decide not to attend the post-secondary institution that awarded you the scholarship, those are achievements that deserve to be celebrated. **[Please submit one form for each award.](#)**

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BADMINTON APRIL 15-19

Thursday, April 18th vs. Pinetree Sec. and Terry Fox at Terry Fox Secondary from 3:30-7:00pm

HOCKEY APRIL 15-19

PRO D DAY GAME, Friday, April 19th vs. Centennial at Pitt Meadows Arena. Puck drop is at 1:15pm. The team would appreciate some Charles Best fan support!

RUGBY APRIL 15-19

JR. BOYS

PRO D DAY GAME, Friday, April 19th HOME game vs. Gleneagle. 4pm kickoff. Come check out the rugby game after hockey!

TRACK AND FIELD

Some of the team members are participating in a 'Throws' Mini Meet on **Thursday, April 18th** at Percy Perry Stadium. The event begins at 4pm.

UNIFIED 3 ON 3 BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Our skill students will be participating in an all-day Championship event on **Thursday, April 18th** at Gleneagle Secondary for their 3 on 3 basketball season.

If you have time during an off block, they would really appreciate some extra cheers!