



THE "BEST" INFORMER



Monday, February 10, 2020

TODAY IS DAY 2

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

****KINDNESS – PAY IT FORWARD****

GENERAL

OUR NEXT CAREER ADVISORY IS TOMORROW WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH

Grade 10s: Please bring your charged devices and something to write with.

Grade 11s: Your resumes and cover letters are due. Please bring a charged device as well.

Grade 12s: You will be working on your Capstone, so please bring your proposal and rubric. Also, please bring a charged device.

REAL ACTS OF CARING WEEK

Me to We Club would like to share the message that this week is Real Acts of Caring Week, February 9th-15th. RAC is about doing something kind for another and not expecting anything back in return. Please help us celebrate this initiation by "RAC" ing a friend or a stranger.

IT'S BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Black history month was officially recognized by the Canadian Parliament in December 1995 after a motion was introduced by the Honorable Jean Augustine, the first black Canadian woman elected to parliament.

PROGRAM AND INFO SESSION AT BCIT

Big info is the largest program expo and info session at BCIT. The next one is Wednesday, Feb 19 at BCIT's Burnaby campus, 4 to 6:30pm. See website for details. <https://www.bcit.ca/about/visit/big-info/>

PROJECT PULSE

Interested in various health science fields? The 6th annual Project Pulse is happening on February 22. Please see career website under opportunities for details.

SFU INFO TABLE

SFU camps is setting up an info table on Tuesday, February 18 at 2:30pm in the main foyer. Come and find out about summer volunteer opportunities!

ODYSSEY OF THE MIND

There is a mandatory team meeting on **Thursday February 13th** at 3:15pm to check in on team progress. The meeting will be held in Room 115 in the math wing.

YEARBOOKS GOING FAST!!

Don't miss out, order your yearbook online today. **Less than 55 left!!**

POETRY IN VOICE

It's still not too late to sign up for Poetry in Voice. **See Ms. Silzer ASAP.** Practice mic will be set up after school in Room 309 for anyone who wants to practice performing.

AP EXAMS

Students wanting to write the AP Exam this May, need to register at the office. The exams are \$160 each. The last day to register will be **February 28th**. For further information, please see Mrs. John in the Counselling area.

WANT TO VISIT OTTAWA

Interested in visiting Ottawa to learn more about Canada? Students 16 to 18 years old are invited to apply to the Adventure in Citizenship program hosted by the Canadian Rotary Club. Application deadline is extended to **February 17**. Please see Ms. Tsang or career center website under opportunities for more details.

ATTENTION INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Please return your blue re-application form for next year to the International Education Office with full payment. For payment details, please see the back of your blue re-application form. If you have not received your blue re-application form, please contact Mrs. Joba. The payment deadline is **March 1st, 2020**.

GRADE 11 & 12

DOUGLAS COLLEGE

Douglas College is hosting a follow up info session on Wednesday, Feb 19 at 3:15pm in the library. Topics covered: admissions, financial aid, course registration, orientation, and more!

GRADE 12

SCHOLARSHIP MEETING TOMORROW

Mark your calendars for scholarship meeting #2 in the library on **February 12** at 3:30pm.

SPORTS

INTRAMURALS

Regular schedule will resume again today, Tuesday.

SENIOR GIRLS SOCCER

Tryouts will be held on the turf field today, **Tuesday February 11** and **Thursday February 13** at 3:30pm. If you have not done so already, please contact Ms. Fournier at ofournier@sd43.bc.ca to let her know whether or not you are interested in playing.

JUNIOR AND SENIOR BOYS AND GIRLS RUGBY

Rugby Practice today (Tuesday) at Hillcrest (3:30) for Junior & Senior Boys & Girls. Dress for the weather. New players welcome.

SKI/SNOWBOARD CLUB - DON'T MISS OUT

FOR THE FINAL TRIP, APRIL 18TH only **3** spaces are still available.

Registration is online only. Please go to the Charles Best Website then Quick Links then Student Fees to register. First come, first served.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

*****CROSSING COMO LAKE*****

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

*****STUDENT PARKING*****

Please do not park under or near the basketball hoops in the student parking lot, as students would like to use the hoops for games. If you do park there, you run the risk of your car being damaged

*****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.

****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 crosswalk area 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.

VAPORIZERS – AN ADDITION TO THE CODE OF CONDUCT

VAPING IS NOT PERMITTED IN THE SCHOOL OR ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

We have noted an increase in the use of these devices by our student population at Charles Best. While there are documented health concerns associated with vaping, these devices have also become a safety issue. We are using this opportunity to inform students and parents **that vaporizers and/or e-cigarettes cannot be possessed at school under any circumstances**. There have been recent incidents in our school/district that have resulted in these devices unintentionally exploding which can result in serious injury for the user and those around them. For the safety of all of our students and staff, it is important that these devices are not on school property. 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.