



1 November 2021

Important Information for Grade 8 Students and Parents

Our counsellor, Sarekha Jagpal sjagpal@sd43.bc.ca will host a virtual meeting on Monday 22 November at 7:30pm for grade 8 parents to discuss the transition to high school. She will talk about what to expect, share information about the various SD43 Programs of Choice for high school, share important dates and deadlines, and answer some of your questions. A zoom link will follow closer to the meeting date.

Citadel Remembers



On 10 November, students and staff at Citadel will take time to remember. While we can not gather as a community in our gym, a virtual program to help students remember will be shared in each classroom.

Graffiti, No thank you!

Our newly painted school received some graffiti on the Halloween weekend but our SD43 painting crew were here before 10 am this morning to remove and repaint. Sadly, our neighbours at Kilmer Elementary arrived to find graffiti there too. As always, we appreciate our early morning and evening community walkers who help us by being around the site after hours.

A Safer Space for Adults: An invitation to parents, caregivers, and anyone else who just cares about children hosted by Children of the Street

Please attend the Safer Space for Adults session on 2 November.

Safer Space is a workshop, designed specifically for youth and parents to better understand how to stay safe when using apps and social media. Safer Space defines sexual exploitation with a focus primarily on online exploitation.

This 60-minute interactive workshop begins at 6:45. Hosted by program Facilitator, Courtney Liem, some of the topics addressed include:

- Healthy and unhealthy relationships
- Sextortion
- Sexual exploitation
- Digital citizenship, footprint, and permanency
- Location and privacy settings on apps and social media

For more information, please see their website:

<https://www.childrenofthestreet.com/tco2>

The virtual presentation is on **Tuesday 2 November at 6:45 to 8:00** We invite all parents and caregivers and those who just care about children to join us.

Join Zoom Meeting

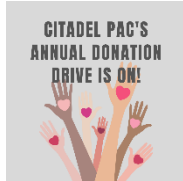
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CPAC Update

Your CPAC – Citadel PAC meets on the last Monday of each month. Next meeting is 29 November at 7:00 p.m. A zoom link will be sent out before the meeting.



The Citadel Middle School PAC Donation Drive 2021-2022 is underway! Help us raise money for classroom funds, field trips and so much more! Donate today at <https://sd43.schoolcashionline.com>

Winter Weather Ahead!

Schools are not routinely closed due to snow or other inclement weather conditions. All schools in School District 43 (Coquitlam) will remain OPEN, if possible, during winter weather, including snowfall.



However, on occasion, a district-wide or partial-district closure is required due to extreme weather. Partial-district closures that affect individual schools may occur due to the varied geography and climate conditions within our school district. If there is a partial-district closure, those specific sites schools will be identified.

The decision to keep open, close, or partially close schools because of extreme weather occurs **before 6:30 a.m.** so that families can plan and make alternate arrangements.

Any district-wide or partial-district closure will be determined and publicly communicated by 6:30 a.m. on the School District 43 website www.sd43.bc.ca and CKNW AM 980 radio, CKWX 1130 radio and CBC (690) radio.

Extreme weather can also affect transit. Transit schedules may face significant changes or cancellations due to the weather conditions. Parents seeking information on transit schedules need to consult the Translink website: <http://www.translink.ca/>

We encourage families to continuously check the School District 43 website for updates and changes: www.sd43.bc.ca

While the District tries to make the best decision with the information available, weather conditions can change quickly. Therefore, when schools remain open, decisions to stay at home during challenging weather conditions should be made by each family.

Learn more about SD43's process for emergency and inclement weather status updates at: <http://www.sd43.bc.ca/NewsEvents/Pages/EmergencyInformation.aspx>

Looking Ahead

- November 10th – Citadel Remembers, virtual assembly
- November 11th – Remembrance Day (schools closed)
- November 12th – grade 7 immunizations by Fraser Health
- November 16th – Picture retakes
- November 26th – Term 1 ends
- November 29th – Term 2 begins
- December 1st – grade 6 immunizations by Fraser Health
- December 10th – First Term Report Cards sent home
- December 17th – Last day before Winter Break
- January 4th – School reopens after Winter Break

Sunrise at Citadel 1 November



