



Port Moody Times

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PMSS WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME THE FOLLOWING STAFF TO THE SCHOOL TODAY:

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DAILY HEALTH CHECK

Please complete this daily, prior to coming to school.

If you have not already signed this health check and submitted this to the school, either online or on paper, please complete this as soon as possible. This only needs to be submitted once per student.

NEW NEWS

COVID TESTING INFORMATION: On *December 18th* the BC Centre for Disease Control updated their website with new guidance for when to get tested. For your review:

<http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/testing/testing-information>

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES: *Wednesday, January 13th* from 2-5pm. Teachers will be communicating with families later this week to set up remote interviews. The intention of the conferences is to focus on those students in need of assistance with meeting the learning outcomes of quarter two courses which conclude on *Friday, January 29th*.

SCHOOL PHOTOS: To access school photos or grad photos taken by Artona, visit the link below. Students will need their student ID to access the photos. Physical copies of the photos can be ordered directly through this website.

<https://artona.com/order>

GRADWEAR PICK-UP: For those who missed picking up their grad wear prior to winter break, please pick-up your items this *Thursday, January 7th*. If you only have a morning class, please pick up your apparel between 10:30am - 11:15pm. If you have an afternoon class or are an IB 12 student, we ask you pick up your apparel between 1:00pm - 1:20pm. Pickup will happen in the MPR. If you are waiting for a reprint of an item, those will be ready for pick-up later in January; we will send a separate announcement once they are in.

PROGRAMMING CONTEST CLUB: Hello PMSS! Are you interested in problem-solving and programming? Programming contest club is offering the Canadian Computing Competition on *Wednesday, February 17th* for students looking to engage in fun problem-solving with programming! The CCC is a 3 hour contest hosted by the University of Waterloo's CEMC. There are two divisions: junior and senior. The junior division is for students with basic programming skills, while senior is for students with intermediate to advanced programming skills. In addition, top-performing students are recognized by Waterloo University in their admission process. If you would like to participate, please sign up here: <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=74xI2ZICUkKZJWRC3iSkS7dikfN1h1NEIMPiArl6CG1URUs3TzFOQk9aWEsyN0dFTDgOT1hHSTFIRC4u>. Registration is due at latest by *Sunday, January 24th*, the \$8 fee will be charged on School Cash Online soon after. More details will be provided after registration. If you have any other inquires, please feel free to contact us at 088-bxiong@sd43.bc.ca.

FRENCH WRITING CONTEST: Still putting the finishing touches on your submission for the French Writing Contest? No problem! You have until *Friday, January 15th* to submit your work [here](#). Have questions? Check in with a French teacher for more information!

VENDING MACHINES: Please do not insert more than \$5 in our vending machines. If a problem occurs we are unable to reimburse anything over \$5 and students/staff will then have to call the vending machine company (the phone number is on the machines). The vending machines also take debit cards.

ONGOING NEWS

STUDENT PARKING PASS: If you will be parking in the lower parking lot please come to the office at lunch to pick up a Parking Registration form.

PMSS TIMES: The PMSS Times will be distributed on *Tuesdays* and *Thursdays*. Announcements will not be read over the PA at this time. The Times will also be posted in the Cafeteria under the clock.

CAREER CENTRE

Post-Secondary Information, Admissions Updates, New Post-Secondary Programs, Scholarships, Volunteering, Employment, Career Programs & Training, Leadership and Enrichment Programs

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO | LAW VIRTUAL MARCH BREAK PROGRAM:

Runs: March 15th - 19th, 2021

Applications are open on Wednesday, December 16th, 2020

Fees: \$700 / module plus \$98 registration fee per student

Check Career centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80) or PMSS Career centre calendar for more info & link!

BC EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP:

Amount: \$5000

Require nomination from the school. The school can only nominate **one** candidate.

Internal deadline: Wednesday, January 20th, 2021 at 3:00pm

Forms & more info found on Career centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80), PMSS Career centre calendar or at the Career Centre (Rm 3065)!

BC TEAL CHARITABLE FOUNDATION AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS:

For: Mainly refugee students or English learners

Applications are open - **Deadline:** Sunday, January 31st, 2021

Check Career centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80), or PMSS Career centre calendar for more details!

CORPUS CHRISTI COLLEGE - CIRCLE OF FELLOWS SCHOLARSHIP:

Applications are open - **Deadline:** Sunday, January 31st, 2021

Check Career centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80), or PMSS Career centre calendar for more details!

VCC DENTAL HYGIENE INFO SESSION:

When: Wednesday, January 13th & Wednesday, February 3rd, 2021 @ 5:00pm - 6:00pm

Check Career centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80) or PMSS Career centre calendar for more info & link!

CANADIAN COAST GUARD COLLEGE VIRTUAL PRESENTATION:

When: Tuesday January 12th, Thursday January 28th & Tuesday February 9th, 2021 @ 4:30pm

Check Career centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80) or PMSS Career centre calendar for more info & link!

SUMMER STEM INSTITUTE:

Description: SSI is an international program that provides academically talented and highly motivated students the opportunity to learn through a data science and research bootcamp, a Masterclass lecture series, weekend challenges, and a mentored research project

For: All high school students

Tuition (Financial Aid available): \$2450 - \$6450

Applications are open - **Deadline:** Early – Friday, January 15th, 2021, Regular- Friday, April 16th, 2021

Check Career centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80), or PMSS Career centre calendar for more details!

BEEDIE LUMINARIES SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM:

Applications are open – **Deadline:** Wednesday, January 13th, 2021

Check Career Centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80) or PMSS Career Centre website for more info!

CMOLIK SCHOLARSHIP:

Applications are open - **Deadline for school nomination:** Wednesday, January 13th, 2021

Check Career Centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80) or PMSS Career Centre website for more info!

CANADIAN WOMEN IN MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIP:

Who can apply: open to female students enrolled in any year of study in secondary school and who are contributing to their school's leadership team or student council

Prize: \$1000.00

Deadline: Friday, January 15th, 2021

Check Career centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80) or PMSS Career centre calendar for details!

FIRST AID FOR SD43 STUDENTS:

When: Friday, January 8th & Saturday, January 23rd, 2021

Check Career centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80) or PMSS Career centre calendar for more info & link!

SFU INDIGENOUS PREVIEW DAY 2021:

When: Thursday, January 14th, 2021 @ 10:00am, Wednesday, January 20th, 2021 @ 1:00pm & Tuesday, January 26th, 2021 @ 10:00am

Check Career centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80) or PMSS Career centre calendar for more info & link!

OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL ESSAY CONTEST:

Who can apply: students under the age of 19 as of October 1st, 2020 who are not enrolled as degree-seeking students of a post-secondary institution

Prize: up to \$2,500 college scholarship

Deadline: Sunday, January 31st, 2021

Check Career centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80) or PMSS Career centre calendar for details!

CENTRE FOR ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY - DIGITAL BOOTCAMP:

Who is eligible: Gr. 11s & 12s

Deadline to apply: Sunday, February 28th, 2021

Early application: December 31st, 2020 - **Early bird application fee:** \$225.00

Check Career centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80) or PMSS Career centre calendar for more info & link!

SFU - GENERAL APPLIED SCIENCES PRESENTATION

When: January 7th, 13th & 27th @ 4:30pm - 5:30pm

Check Career centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80) or PMSS Career centre calendar for more info & link!

SFU - SUSTAINABLE ENERGY ENGINEERING PRESENTATION

When: January 19th @ 4:30pm - 5:30pm

Check Career centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80) or PMSS Career centre calendar for more info & link!

SFU - SOFTWARE SYSTEMS PRESENTATION

When: January 20th @ 4:30pm - 5:30pm

Check Career centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80) or PMSS Career centre calendar for more info & link!

SFU - MECHATRONIC SYSTEMS ENGINEERING PRESENTATION

When: January 21st @ 4:30 - 5:30pm

Check Career centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80) or PMSS Career centre calendar for more info & link!

VANCOUVER ISLAND UNIVERSITY INFO SESSION

When: January 16 @ 9:00am - 2:00pm, January 20&21 @ 1:00pm-6:30pm

Check Career centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80) or PMSS Career centre calendar for more info & link!

CANADIAN UNIVERSITY VIRTUAL EVENT 2021

When: January 20th & 21st @ 4pm - 7pm

Check Career centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80) or PMSS Career centre calendar for more info & link!

JUSTICE INSTITUTE OF BC - LAW ENFORCEMENT INFO SESSION

When: January 21st @ 1:00pm - 2:30pm

Check Career centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80) or PMSS Career centre calendar for more info & link!

UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN BC INFO SESSION

When: January 12th, February 17th and March 25th at 4:30 - 5:30

Check Career centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80) or PMSS Career centre calendar for more info & link!

XDHACKS MINI VANCOUVER AMBASSADOR APPLICATIONS 2020-2021

Deadline to apply: January 15th

Who can apply: any BC high school student with clear passion for STEM

Check Career centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80) or PMSS Career centre calendar for more info & link!

BC PATHWAY TO EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

Deadline to apply: February 15th at 11:59pm

For eligibility requirements or link for more info, check Career centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80) or PMSS Career centre website for more info & link!

STEAM HORIZONS AWARD 2021

Deadline to apply: Jan 15th 2021

For eligibility requirements or link for more info, check Career centre Teams page (code: 46n1w80) or PMSS Career centre website for more info & link!

PARENTS

For information regarding PAC, please see <https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/portmoody/Pages>

NEXT PAC MEETING: Tuesday, January 12th at 7pm

Join Zoom Meeting: The link will be posted at a later date.

Hello PMSS parents. Would you like to help run the PAC by attending once a month meetings and make decisions on what the students need or what the student budget money goes towards? Please join us via Zoom.

GRAD 2021

Grad 2021 needs the support of all families in our Port Moody Secondary School community!

PORT MOODY LIQUOR STORE FUNDRAISER

Attention all Parents - Port Moody Grad 2021 Committee is asking for your support with our Liquor Store Fundraiser. Please mention Port Moody Secondary AfterGrad when making a purchase at PoMo Liquor store (by 7-11 on St. John's Street). We earn 4% of sales from every purchase. Anyone can support this fundraising effort, please tell your neighbours and relatives. Thank you for your support!

COMMUNITY

VIRTUAL SHARE EVENT FOR PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS OF ADOLSCENT YOUTH

YOLO (Youth Offering Listening Opportunities) is an event where adults listen to youth speak about their life experiences in order to support parents/caregivers understanding of their own youth as well as youth in general. Some topics that will be discussed include:

- How can I talk with my youth about substances?
- How come youth use substances?
- How can I improve communication with my youth?
- What new strategies can I use in parenting my youth?

This event will be held on Zoom on **Thursday, January 21st** from 6:30-8:30. Participants will require a device (computer, tablet or android/iPhone) on which they can access Zoom - if there are concerns regarding tech... have no fear! We can walk each person through this to ensure they can participate.

There are limited spots so please RSVP (with a name, phone number and best time to reach you) as soon as possible and at the latest by **Monday, January 11th** to sabrina.hayward@sharesociety.ca. One of our parent/caregiver facilitators will connect with each person about what to expect, how to prepare and learn what topics/questions the parents/caregivers participating hope to cover.