

### **NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES**

Week of May 6, 2013



**GRADE 12 GRADS** — Have you applied for college or university? Remember that **EVERYONE**, including IB diploma students, has to make sure that the university or college whose admission offer you accepted, will get your FINAL transcript at the end of July. How? You authorize the Ministry of Education to send those transcripts, but you have to tell them before their **DEADLINE!** Deadline for Final transcript: **JULY 15/13.** Use the ONLINE form at the Student Secure Web (<a href="https://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/exams/tsw/student/welcome.jsp">https://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/exams/tsw/student/welcome.jsp</a>) to authorize the Ministry to forward your grades to the universities/colleges you have applied to - it's fast and easy - AND ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY. NO FINAL TRANSCRIPT = WITHDRAWN UNIVERSITY ADMISSION OFFER! See Ms Truax in the Career Centre if you want help to do this!

ACE-IT HIGH SCHOOL APPRENTICE PROGRAM - The ACE-IT program is a partnership between ITA and the BC Ministry of Education, allowing high school students to take first level technical training to give them dual credit for high school courses and apprenticeship or industry training programs. Students/parents interested in learning more about one of the School District 43 ACE-IT programs should visit the District Career Programs site and click on 'Programs' in the side bar for application forms and details on the 12 ACE-IT programs offered by SD 43.



Try/CATCH 2013 – A FREE all-day conference (Computing And Technology Conference for Her) at SFU's Burnaby campus to provide high school girls with a fun and exciting opportunity to learn about computing science. The conference includes a reception, games, workshops and a chance to win prizes through the day, including the grand prize of an iPad 3. Date: Saturday, May 11, from 10:30 am - 6:00 pm. Registration and more details are online at http://trycatch.cmpt.sfu.ca/.

BUSINESS CASE STUDY COMPETITION FOR SD43 STUDENTS - Calling all students from grades 9-12!! If you are interested in engaging in discussions about business, or looking to go into a field pertaining to business, the Pinetree Business Case Study competition is perfect for you! Coquitlam's first business competition for high school students will be held at Pinetree Secondary School, Saturday, May 11th from 8:30 am to 4 pm. (Lunch is not provided). There will be a \$5 fee either paid at the door or to the school representative. To sign up, visit: <a href="http://ptcasestudycompetition.wordpress.com/">http://ptcasestudycompetition.wordpress.com/</a>. For more information, or payment to the school representative e-mail Heidi Lo at heidi.lo225@hotmail.com



GET A HEADSTART TO ART WITH EMILY CARR UNIVERSITY AT GLENEAGLE SECONDARY – Register for the Emily Carr's dual credit (SD 43 & Emily Carr) first year drawing course (Foundation studio) this fall on Tuesdays, 6 - 9 pm, Sept. 10 - Dec 17/2013. Available to this year's grads or entering Grade 12 students, who will need a reference letter from a current SD43 art teacher. Earn 3 degree credits at Emily Carr as well as transfer credit to other Fine Art Programs, and develop your portfolio for admission to post-secondary in the area of Visual Art, Media Art or Design. For details and forms see the Career Resource Centre. Applicants admitted on a first applied basis starting Monday, May 6.

**GLOBAL ISSUES NETWORK CONFERENCE – May 17 – 19, QUEST University** – From May 17<sup>th</sup> to the 19<sup>th</sup>, high school students from Grades 10 - 12 and first-year university students will discuss global issues, create action plans, and inspire change in a student-run, three-day conference on this year's theme of "Empowerment through Education". FREE registration for the conference is open until April 15/13. On-campus accommodations are provided at no cost for the first 100 requests! Students from the Vancouver area are offered a free shuttle service to Quest in Squamish. Visit www.questu.ca/news and events/gin conference.php for more details and to register.



YALE COLLEGE 2013 INFORMATION SESSION – Tuesday, MAY 21 at 7 pm. Attend the meeting at Burnaby North Secondary School (Gallery Room) and learn about academic programs, residential college and campus life, admissions and financial aid. Registration is optional but encouraged: visit apps.admissions.yale.edu/events.



SCIENCE WORLD'S FUTURE SCIENCE LEADERS PROGRAM – Students entering Grade 10 or 11 this September are eligible to apply to this challenging program designed for BC's best and brightest students to further develop the talent, drive, and discipline needed to excel in scientific research, technology, engineering and math. Spaces are limited. To learn more about the program, attend the Open House on Tuesday, May 14 from 6:30 - 8pm. All applications and supporting documents must be received by 5pm, May 21 to be considered. Visit <a href="http://www.scienceworld.ca/futurescienceleaders">http://www.scienceworld.ca/futurescienceleaders</a> for application forms and details.

### AWARDS/SCHOLARSHIPS/BURSARIES/CONTESTS: listed in deadline order!

#### MAY

LIFETIME EYECARE SERVICE HERO SCHOLARSHIP - Residents of New Westminster, Burnaby, Coquitlam, Port Coquitlam, Surrey or Delta, graduating in 2013, who have been and will continue to be very active service volunteers, in areas such as the environment, poverty, social welfare, world or community peace, etc., are invited to apply for one of two \$1,000 scholarships offered by Lifetime Eyecare. A 3 – 5 page essay, your transcript, and references verifying your volunteer work must be sent or delivered by May 15/2013. Visit <a href="http://www.lifetimeeyecare.ca/our-student-scholarships/">http://www.lifetimeeyecare.ca/our-student-scholarships/</a> for the application form and more

CANADIAN HOSPITALITY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP - Tuition support is offered to students entering a 2-year College or University program in Accommodation, Chef, Cook, Culinary, Events, Pastry Chef, Food and Beverage, Golf Club, Hospitality, Hotel, Resort, Restaurant, Tourism or Catering Management. Applications are judged using a points system, with leadership qualities and professional promise being the most important criteria. Visit the Career Centre online or in person for application forms & details on reference letters, the points system and submission instructions; deadline to submit an application to Douglas College is May 17/13.



JANICE LEE BLUE WAVE BURSARY – For students under the age of 19 who have faced a significant mental health or substance use problem and are accessing treatment and support. Eligibility criteria also include: financial need, resident of BC 1 year prior to application, and will enroll in first-year post-secondary studies in a BC university, college or technical school by Dec/13. Application forms are online at <a href="http://www.ok2bblue.com/our-programs/">http://www.ok2bblue.com/our-programs/</a>. Applications and supporting documents must be received by May 20/13.

BRENDA KEARNS ABORIGINAL BURSARY - Aboriginal grads who have been involved in the District Aboriginal program in a leadership role who will be entering post-secondary in trades, apprenticeships or any post-secondary program are encouraged to apply for this \$300 bursary. See Ms Salas for application forms and more information, or drop into the Career Centre for information on this and many more aboriginal opportunities. Deadline: May 21/2013

ABORIGINAL EDUCATION BURSARY - All Grade 12 Aboriginal students can apply for this \$500 Bursary - criteria are: excellent academic standing, acceptance in a post-secondary institution, and volunteer work with an Aboriginal focus. For application forms and more details, please see Ms Salas or pick the forms up in the Career Centre. Deadline: May 21/2013.

COAST CAPITAL SAVINGS EDUCATION AWARDS FOR AWESOME STUDENTS! Offered to BC grads of 2013 who will be attending university, college or technical school in the fall: 32 Citizenship Awards of \$2000 each for students taking a leadership role in their communities and 16 Standing Tall Awards of \$5000 each for students working hard to overcome significant personal challenges to achieve their goals. Apply online at www.coastcapitalsavings.com/awards between May 1 and May 24. Applications, digital transcripts and reference letters must be submitted by the **DEADLINE OF Friday, May 24/13.** 

MONSANTO CANADA OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM - \$1500 scholarships offered to high school students entering a first-year, post-secondary agriculture program: must be from a family farming operation, with demonstrated academic excellence, leadership capabilities, and active community involvement. Application deadline: May 24, 2013. Application forms in the Career Centre.

VISUAL COLLEGE OF ART & DESIGN SCHOLARSHIP - Offers scholarships to qualified applicants in fashion, graphic design, interior design, game development and design, and 3D modeling and animation. Scholarships available are one full-tuition scholarship, 4 half-tuition scholarships and up to 50 partial tuition scholarships, ranging in value from \$30,600 to \$9,000. All entries must be received by VCAD by May 24/13. Applications and more information online at scholarshipinfo.vcad.ca or visit the Career Centre for an application.



ITALIAN-CANADIAN \$1,000 SCHOLARSHIPS - The Confratellanza Italo-Canadese Society is offering several \$1000 scholarships to students of Italian origin (having at least one parent or grandparent of direct Italian descent) who live within the GVRD, and will be going on to a post-secondary program in 2013. Application forms are available in the Career Centre; applications must be post-marked MAY 31/13 to meet the deadline.

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BRANCH #133 EDUCATION FUND BURSARIES - Apply by May 31/2013 for a \$2013 Education Bursary, awarded to 4 Canadian citizens who will be attending university, college, vocational or trade school, residing in Port Coquitlam or Northeast Coquitlam, who can demonstrate financial need, and good grades. Military service or Royal Canadian Legion service is NOT required. Find application forms and details at the Career Centre Online, or see Ms Truax in the Career Centre.

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION POPPY FUND BURSARIES - Open ONLY to the children or grandchildren of veterans or Serving or Ex-serving Personnel and Legion Members. Apply by May 31/2013 for a \$2013 Poppy Fund Education Bursary, awarded to 4 Canadian citizens who will be attending a BC University, College, Vocational or Trade School, or the 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> year of a BC College. Applicants must attend their chosen institution full-time for two consecutive semesters. A deciding factor in awarding this bursary is financial need. Find application forms and details at the Career Centre Online, or see Ms Truax in the Career Centre.

## JUNE, JULY & AUGUST

AL GRIST BC HYDRO ENVIRONMENT AWARD - A \$500 scholarship is offered to a School District 43 grad entering a postsecondary environmental stewardship program in the fall of 2013: studies may include forestry, agriculture, fisheries, or

environmental management, or any similar studies. Application details are online at <a href="http://www.pcdhfc.com/notice.htm">http://www.pcdhfc.com/notice.htm</a> . Documents must be received by June 1/2013.

ABBOTT AND FENNER ANNUAL \$1000 SCHOLARSHIP — Available to students in Grades 11 & 12, as well as all students currently registered in any accredited post-secondary institution. Applicants must submit a 500 — 1000 word essay on the topic: What have you done outside the classroom that demonstrates qualities sought after by the post-secondary institution that you are hoping to attend? Which of these qualities means the most to you? Submission details online at <a href="http://www.abbottandfenner.com/scholarships.htm">http://www.abbottandfenner.com/scholarships.htm</a>. DEADLINE: JUNE 14/13.

<u>SAFA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM</u> - The South Asian Family Association offers three scholarships at \$1,000 in each of the following categories: academic excellence, excellence in community involvement, and excellence in fine arts. Applicants must be Canadian students of South Asian descent, and must apply for only ONE of the categories. Visit the Career Centre in person or Online for more details and the application form. **DEADLINE: must be received by JUNE 14/13.** 

NATIONAL UNION OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM 2013 – Awards of \$1,500 are available to the children of Unions who are affiliated with the National Union, including the BCGEU and the Health Sciences Association of BC. The Tommy Douglas General scholarship requires an essay; other scholarships are available for *Aboriginal Canadians*, *Visible Minorities*, and *Children with Disabilities*. Applicants must be planning to enter a full-time program of a Canadian public post-secondary institution in 2013. Applications and more details are at the Career Centre or online at <a href="https://www.nupge.ca">www.nupge.ca</a>. DEADLINE: Must be postmarked by June 30/2013.

DENNIS MCGANN BURSARY FOR COMMUNICATIONS STUDENTS — A new bursary program for students who demonstrate a commitment to the issues and actions affecting working people. The \$1000 Bursary will be awarded to a Canadian Citizen or Landed Immigrant who is enrolling or enrolled in full or part time Communications studies at an accredited public post-secondary institution in Canada. Financial need must be demonstrated. This bursary also considers community service. More information and application form online at <a href="http://www.columbiainstitute.ca/scholarships/mcgann-bursary">http://www.columbiainstitute.ca/scholarships/mcgann-bursary</a>. Submit by fax, mail or email to <a href="mailto:info@columbiainstitute.ca">info@columbiainstitute.ca</a> by the deadline of: AUGUST 1/13

### OPPORTUNITIES: WORK, VOLUNTEERING, TRAINING

SFU SUMMER AQUATICS VOLUNTEERS – Students who hold an Assistant Water Safety Instructor Certificate are invited to apply for a volunteer position with SFU Recreation, assisting Swim Kids instructors on weekdays after camps (3:30 – 5 pm). Submit application form, cover letter outlining your suitability for the position, copies of all relevant aquatics certifications, and a resume detailing past work/volunteer experience. Fill out the regular SFU Summer Camps Application form – find it online at <a href="http://www.sfu.ca/camps/employment-volunteering.html">http://www.sfu.ca/camps/employment-volunteering.html</a> or in the Career Centre.

<u>SFU SUMMER VOLUNTEERING</u> – Looking for a unique volunteer opportunity this summer? If you're 14 or older, volunteering at SFU Camps for elementary-aged school children is a great first step towards the employment world.

Each volunteer receives training, evaluation and a reference letter, plus training to assist in letter writing & interview skills etc. to assist in obtaining a future job - volunteers are seen as potential camp leaders for future summers. Submit application form, resume and cover letter by **May 13**. Application forms and details on positions are online at <a href="http://www.sfu.ca/camps/employment-volunteering.html">http://www.sfu.ca/camps/employment-volunteering.html</a> Note that applicants must make a **one-week minimum commitment** in July or August, M-F, 8:30 am – 3:30 pm.

FORK LIFT AND SCISSOR LIFT CERTIFICATION — If you're looking for work in construction or in a warehouse this summer, you will need Certification in Fork and Scissor lifts. Register in District 43's reduced rate classes and find a job with certification. Forklift Certification, \$236.25: Thursday and Friday, May 16 & May 17, from 9 am to 4 pm (includes certification on a walking stacker), and Scissor Lift, \$94.50 on Wednesday, May 15 from 9 – 4 pm. All classes are at 882 East Cordova in East Vancouver, close to Hastings and Campbell Avenue. Application forms and more details are in the Career Centre; register at Winslow Centre a.s.a.p. so you have time to read the manual before the course. Students need CSA Safety Shoes to participate.

PORT MOODY ARTS CENTRE VOLUNTEERING, SUMMER 2013 – Volunteer as a teaching assistant this summer at the Arts Centre's Summer Arts Camps. Open to students 14 – 18 years old with an interest in the Arts and some experience working with children – volunteer for one week or all summer, just mornings, just afternoons, or the whole day. Letters of volunteer hours and reference letters by request provided to volunteers. You must make an appointment to attend *Volunteer Orientation* on *May 16.* (3:45 pm at Port Moody Arts Centre) RSVP Ruth Hoyem at <a href="mailto:rhoyem@pomoarts.ca">rhoyem@pomoarts.ca</a> before May 16.

<u>URGENTLY NEEDED: VOLUNTEERS FOR INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL, May 27 – June 2</u> – The Festival still has some fantastic opportunities for students interested in careers in Arts Admin, Event Management/Production, Business/Sales, Tourism, Early Childhood Development, or for those who want to try their hand at something completely different before deciding on a career path! Students who are interested should visit Ms Truax in the Career Centre A.S.A.P., or apply online at <a href="https://www.childrensfestival.ca">www.childrensfestival.ca</a>

<u>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: ALDERSON ELEMENTARY SPRING CARNIVAL, Thursday, May 23, 3 – 7 pm</u> – Volunteers <u>urgently</u> needed to help supervise games, a dunk tank, giant slide, bouncy castle, cake walk and help run concession stands as well as do face painting. All volunteers receive a free meal ticket! To sign up and get <u>your</u> choice of shift time, contact Anna Buchan at <u>abuchan23@gmail.com</u> as soon as possible – first come, first served!

GLENAYRE SPRING CARNIVAL – Thursday, May 23, 3 pm – 7 pm, Glenayre Elementary hosts the annual Spring Carnival and is looking for volunteers from PMS! Run carnival games, bounces, etc. in one hour shifts, beginning at 2:45 pm – sign up for as many shifts as you like! Volunteers will be provided with a letter of reference detailing hours worked, and will receive a pizza/drink/chips combo while at the Carnival. To sign up, log in to <a href="https://www.lotsahelpinghands.com/c/630280/">https://www.lotsahelpinghands.com/c/630280/</a> and become a member of the Glenayre Online Community. Once you receive an invitation to join the community, you'll be able to sign-in and select jobs. For more details, visit the Career Centre in person or Online.

YMCA SUMMER WORK STUDENT EXCHANGE - This six-week summer program is for 16 and 17 year-old students who would like to gain work experience while exploring Quebec and improving their French language skills. Each English-speaking participant is matched with a French-speaking participant from Quebec and the two youth are hosted in each other's homes. They are provided with a full-time summer job in the non-profit or public sector of the local community in which they are hosted and are paid the provincial minimum wage. Cost is \$75, which covers airfare to Quebec and a train trip back across the country at the end of exchange. To apply, visit <a href="www.summer-work.com">www.summer-work.com</a> .



OCCUPATIONAL FIRST AID, LEVEL 1 – Students interested in taking this course on Saturday, June 1 (full day) should see Ms Truax in the Career Centre. Offered by the Independent Contractors and Business Association of BC (ICBA) at a discounted rate of \$70.

PLACE MAILLARDVILLE SUMMER CAMP 2013 - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! - Apply now to volunteer this summer (July - August) for Children's Summer Camps run by Place Maillardville. Volunteers must be 13 +, must provide a copy of a photo ID, provide two references who are non-family or friends if 13 – 15, complete a Waiver form, and, if over 16 must complete a Criminal Records check. Applications are being taken now until June 1 – apply ASAP, as these positions fill quickly. Contact Danielle Payette, Manager, Community Programs and Volunteers, at 604-933-6146 or visit programs@placemaillardville.ca to set up your recruitment interview.

<u>UNIQUE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY –BELCARRA BEACHKEEPERS</u> - A summer stewardship program at Belcarra Regional Park in Port Moody. Volunteers, 16 and up, must commit to a minimum of thirty hours (6 five hour shifts), and will be involved in three main activities: a scientific crab study on the dock, educating park visitors about intertidal creatures; and explaining fishing regulations and beach etiquette to park visitors. Beachkeepers runs June 29<sup>th</sup> to September 2<sup>nd</sup> on weekends and holidays. No previous knowledge of marine life or fishing regulations is required; a mandatory one-day training session on Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> is provided. For information or to apply, call: 604-420-3031,email: beachkeepers@metrovancouver.org, or visit us on Facebook (Beachkeepers). Deadline to apply: June 9/13, but program could fill earlier (20 spots available).

PLACE DES ARTS - SUMMER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! - Youth volunteers, age 15 and older by the start of the camp, are needed to assist with 6 weeks of children's summer art camp from July 2 - August 16. Volunteers must commit to a minimum of two weeks of volunteering (40 hours), and can volunteer up to a maximum of 280 hours - full or part-time shifts are available. Students can fill out the application form online at <a href="http://www.placedesarts.ca/support-">http://www.placedesarts.ca/support-</a> us/volunteer/SummerVolunteers.aspx or visit the Career Centre Online. Application deadline: Friday, June 14/2013.

# **SPRING & SUMMER PROGRAMS**



<u>UBC CONTINUING STUDIES – offering pre-university programs for teens</u> – Teens aged 15-18 years have the opportunity to experience university without the pressures of admission requirements, exams or term papers! A huge range of topics is available, from history and archeology, philosophy and critical thinking, to culinary and performing arts. See the Career Centre bulletin boards for more details, or view cstdies.ubc.ca/teens.



DOUGLAS COLLEGE SUMMER ACADEMIC WRITING COURSE, July 1 – August 18 – Grade 12 grads with strong English skills (minimum: 'B' in English 12) who want a great beginning to their first post-secondary semester should consider registering for Douglas College's English 1130: Academic Writing. Students receive 3 transferable post-secondary English credits and a strong foundation in academic essay writing. Cost for domestic students: \$276.60. To apply, pick up a Concurrent Studies Application Form at the Career Centre or from your counsellor and complete a Douglas College Admission Application. More details in the Career Centre.