

THE "BEST" INFORMER



THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2025 TODAY IS DAY 2

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



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

COOKIES FOR A CAUSE BAKE SALE

Cookies for a Cause Club is hosting the first bake sale of 2025 on **Friday, January 10.** Help support BC Children's Hospital with the purchase of cookies and assorted baked goods.

DRESS YOUR BEST FRIDAY

Show off your school spirit on Friday! Dress in school merch. or wear school colours.

CAPSTONE DAY – GRADE 11

Grade 11 students are required to observe Capstone Day on January 23rd in preparation for graduation. Grade 11 students have been assigned in reverse alphabetical order to blocks of time: please see below. The specific room locations for these blocks of time will be available in Room 309 from January 9, 2025, and will be posted in the foyer on Capstone Day. Questions? Grade 11's can meet with any CLC12 teacher during their off block in room 309 with questions.

January 23, 2025

8:30 – 9:30am Zuffa, B – Roche, E

9:45 – 10:45am Robinson, M – Karimi Farahani, S

10:30 – 11:30am Karabov, D – Desharnais, B

12:45 – 1:45pm Delmas, A – Abdul Aziz, R

CAREER CENTRE NEWS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS

SD43 TRADES PROGRAMS OPEN HOUSE

Mark your calendars for **Wednesday, January 29, 2025.** SD43 Trades Programs will be hosting an open house at Heritage Woods Secondary School featuring 25+ tuition-free level 1 programs. There will be a Panel Presentation at 6pm to open the evening. At 6:45pm meet with the panel and level 1 program instructors from BCIT, KPU, VCC and SD43 Trades programs.

For more information email careerprograms@sd43.bc.ca or google 43careers.com

SFU RANGE CONFERENCE: WHAT ON EARTH IS GEOGRAPHY?

High school students are invited to attend presentations and activities about geography! The goal of the conference is to give you a sense of the research and career possibilities within geography. Potential topics include fieldwork in geography, urban politics and gentrification, climate action, how to make a map, conservation work, and much more! SFU Burnaby, **Sat, February 22.** More info.

GREEN COLLAR CAREER CONFERENCE

Free virtual conference for 9-12 students where you can find out about interesting and rewarding career opportunities in sustainability and the environment sector. Interact with career mentors who have excelled in and are passionate about their green careers, listen to keynote speakers, and have a chance to win prizes and a \$500 scholarship. **March 1,** 9 am – 3 pm. Space is limited, register now.

RESEARCH EXPLORATION OPPORTUNITY

During the first week of Spring break, high school students in grades 9-12 could experience research in UBC's laboratory. Students will tour research facilities, get introduced to lab techniques and experiments, shadow lab personnel, and attend lab meetings, seminars, and faculty presentations. Goal is to help students explore the diverse career paths in STEM fields. Learn more here. The deadline to apply is January 12, 2025.

SD43 STUDENT ART COUNCIL

Calling all art students. The Student Art Council is bringing art to life in the community, and they are currently looking for students to collaborate on a mural project in PoCo. Impact the community through art, strengthen collaborations between SD43 secondary schools, celebrate diversity, and have a platform to shine.

To connect and learn more, visit @studentartcouncil.sd43 on Instagram.

<u>CITY OF COQUITLAM – SNOW ANGELS WANTED</u>

As a Snow Angel, you'll be matched with nearby pre-approved neighbours to help clear City sidewalks within 10 hours of a snowfall. Volunteers must be 16 or older or have adult supervision. To get you started, the city provides all the cozy winter gear you need, including: shovel, toque, scarf, ice cleats, mitts.

For more information or to sign up as a volunteer, visit coquitlam.ca/SnowAngels

POST SECONDARY EVENTS

KPU DISCOVERY DAYS – RICHMOND CAMPUS

These fun-filled events are packed with interactive activities, engaging workshops, and hands-on campus experiences designed to help you discover the educational path that's right for you. Highlights include mock classes, campus tours, networking opportunities, free food, prizes. Programs covered: Wilson School of Design, Entertainment Arts, Melville School of Business, Science, Traditional Chinese Medicine.

Thu, January 23, 2025, 4-7 pm. More info/register.

SCHOLARSHIP/AWARD/BURSARY INFORMATION

DAVID LAM ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS' SCHOLARSHIP

If you completed at least one English language (ELL) course in grades 9-12 you might be eligible for a \$4,000 scholarship. Must be planning to attend a B.C. post-secondary institution and must have documented school or community service. Apply here by January 31, 2025.

TEAL REFUGEE SCHOLARSHIPS

4 x \$4,000 are awarded to a refugee who has shown courage and determination while adapting to a new language and new culture in Canada. Must have studied English language [EL] in British Columbia (preferred) or elsewhere in Canada and is planning to study in a vocational or academic program at a post-secondary institution in B.C. Must have documented school and/or community volunteer service.

Apply here by January 31, 2025.

HORATIO ALGER GRADE 11 SCHOLARSHIPS

Current grade 11 students who are planning to begin a bachelor's degree in Canada starting Fall 2026 and have demonstrated financial need (<\$65,000 household net income). Applicants must be Canadian citizens, maintain a +70% average, display integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity, and must be involved in extracurriculars and community service. Apply by March 31, 2025.

- 160 Canadian Scholarships at \$10,000 each
- 10 Entrepreneurial Scholarships at \$25,000 each:

Must demonstrate desire and ability to be entrepreneurial in a chosen field.

UGGLA FAMILY SCHOLARSHIPS

Ten "full ride" scholarships are awarded each year to Canadian students who face significant financial barriers to participation in post-secondary education. The intent of the Uggla Family Scholarship is to promote equity and remove historical and existing discrimination, including barriers to full participation in social, cultural, economic and political life. **Apply by January 20, 2025.** More here.

PATHWAY TO TEACHING SCHOLARSHIPS

Awarded to 20 outstanding high school graduates who have demonstrated a commitment to and aptitude for a career in K–12 teaching. Selected students can be reimbursed (\$5,000) for tuition paid after they are attending an approved teacher education program at a B.C. post-secondary institution. Students have 7 years to redeem their scholarship voucher. Apply here by February 17, 2025, 3 pm.

GRADE 12 INFORMATION

GRAD GROUP PHOTOS

Grad Group Sessions will be taking place on January 29th & 30th. Use the link or QR code below to book your session.

How to book an appointment:

Students can sign up online on the website at: artona.com/bookings or by scanning the QR code attached here!



UPCOMING POST-SECONDARY APPLICATION DEADLINES

<u>January 15:</u> UBC | University of Toronto | McMaster University | Waterloo Engineering applicants | Western Ivey AEO | Camosun College (w/UVic transfer) – B.Sc. Nursing | Emily Carr University of Arts & Design

<u>January 31:</u> SFU | University of Victoria | University of Waterloo <u>February 1:</u> McGill University | Toronto Metropolitan University

February 15: Western

SFU SELF-REPORTING TUTORIAL

The SFU self-reporting portal is now open. Join this virtual workshop specifically designed to help BC high school students complete their applications for Fall 2025 admission. SFU representatives will cover admission requirements, how to self-report your grades, important dates, address topics and frequently asked questions from BC applicants. Register for January 9, 5-6 pm. | January 16, 5-6 pm. | January 29, 6-7 pm.

SPRING BREAK WORK OPPORTUNITY

Grade 12 students can gain hands-on experience in the Civil Construction Field with B&B Constructing Group. Work a minimum of 80 paid hours. Successful applicants will be provided with Green Hard Hat and WHMIS training, as well as a variety of experiences over a two-week employment (March 17th-28th, 2025).

Apply by February 15. More info.

CLUB INFORMATION

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ATHLETICS



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UPCOMING ATHLETIC EVENTS

DATE AND/OR TIME	TEAM NAME	EVENT/OPPONENT/VENUE
Thursday, Jan. 9	GR. 9 BOYS BASKETBALL	AWAY game @ Terry Fox Sec. 4pm
Thursday, Jan. 9-Saturday, Jan. 11	JR. BOYS BASKETBALL	@ Robert Bateman Tournament
Thursday, Jan. 9-Saturday, Jan. 11	SR. BOYS BASKETBLL	@ Robert Bateman Tournament
Thursday, Jan. 9-Saturday, Jan. 11	SR. GIRLS BASKETBALL	Top 10 Tournament
Tuesday, Jan. 14	GR. 9 BOYS BASKETBALL	HOME game vs. Gleneagle Sec. 4pm
Tuesday, Jan. 14	SR. GIRLS BASKETBALL	HOME game vs. Riverside
Thursday, Jan. 16	GR. 9 BOYS BASKETBALL	HOME game vs. Heritage Woods 5:30pm
Thursday, Jan. 16-Saturday, Jan. 18	SR. GIRLS BASKETBALL	Victoria Police Tournament
Thursday, Jan. 16-Saturday, Jan. 18	SR. BOYS BASKETBALL	Pitt Meadows Sec. Tournament
Thursday, Jan. 16	JR. BOYS BASKETBALL	HOME game vs. Heritage Woods 7pm