

DW POPPY GRADE 12 INFORMATION NIGHT

Parent and Students Welcome!





***We would like to start
by acknowledging that the Langley
School District, and D.W. Poppy
Secondary, resides on the Traditional,
Ancestral, and unceded territories of
the Matsqui, Kwantlen, Katzie, and
Semiahmoo First Nations***

SO
GLAD
YOU'RE
HERE

THANK YOU PARENTS!



**Thank
you!**

Evening Agenda

- Welcome from Mr. Harris
- Introductions
- Grad Council & Grad Events
- Academic and Post-Secondary Planning



YOUR ADMIN TEAM



Mr. Harris, Principal



Mrs. Springenatic, Vice Principal
(Alpha - A-L)



Ms. Gill, Vice Principal
(Alpha - M-Z)

A team is not a group
of people that work together.
A **team** is a group of people
that **trust each other.**



Introductions

COUNSELLORS

- MS. JONGENBURGER (A-L)
- MS. RIZNEK (M-Z)

CLINICIAN

- MR. JOSHI

ADMINISTRATORS

- MR. HARRIS
- MS. SPRINGENATIC (A-L)
- MS. GILL (M-Z)

GRAD COUNCIL SPONSORS

- MS. WESLOWSKI
- MS. BOWICK

YOUTH CARE WORKER

- GENILLE HEADLEY

ABORIGINAL SUPPORT WORKER

- SHEILA JACK

SCHOOL LIAISON OFFICER

- CST. MOE

MUKESH JOSHI

INTERVENTION
CLINICIAN



Youth Care
Worker

Genille Headley



Sheila Jack
**Aboriginal Support
Worker**





ADMIN.ASSISTANT

(Main Office)

Mrs. Greentree



ADMIN.ASSISTANT

(Main Office)

Mrs. Brake

Counselling



Ms.
Jongenburger
(A-L)

Ms. Riznek
(M-Z)

D.W. Poppy PAC

Current PAC President

- Kim Leifso
- Sandra Young

Next PAC Meetings

- Monday, Sep 22 @ 7 pm
- In the Learning Commons

Dry Grad

- Parent-run initiative that runs the same evening as the Grad Dinner Dance (approx. midnight – 4am)
- School can distribute and collect information/ideas/etc... through Grad Council and help answer questions but the event itself is parent-organized and parent-run
- **FIRST MEETING: Wed. Sept 17th at 7 pm in the Learning Commons**



Grad 2026



Grad Information Package

People To Know:

Administration	Mr. Jonathan Harris, Principal	jharris@sd35.bc.ca
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	Ms. Sommer Blacklock	sblacklock@sd35.bc.ca
Grad Clothing	Ms. Tessa Bowick	tbowick@sd35.bc.ca

Grad Information Package



Poppy Grad 2026



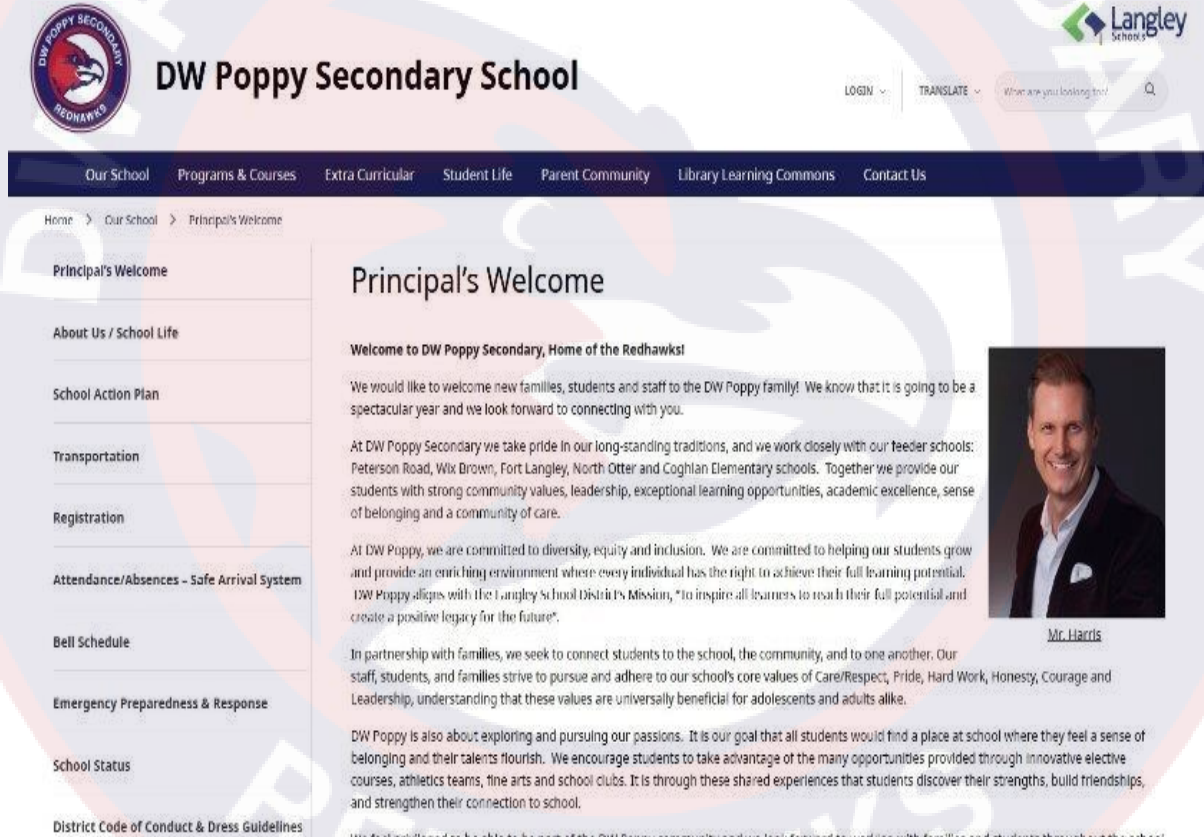
Stay Informed

- Make sure the grad is part of the Poppy Grad 2026 Teams page
- Information will be sent out from admin and counselling regarding important Grad updates (i.e. Grad Requirements, Deadlines, Events, etc.)
- Make sure your notifications are turned on

Follow Us On..



@dwpoppysecondary



The screenshot shows the DW Poppy Secondary School website. At the top left is the school's logo, a red hawk head inside a circle with the text "DW POPPY SECONDARY REDHAWKS". To its right is the school name "DW Poppy Secondary School". Further right are links for "LOGIN" and "TRANSLATE", and a search bar with the placeholder text "What are you looking for?". Below the header is a dark blue navigation bar with white text links: "Our School", "Programs & Courses", "Extra Curricular", "Student Life", "Parent Community", "Library Learning Commons", and "Contact Us". The main content area has a left sidebar with a list of links: "Home", "Our School", "Principal's Welcome", "About Us / School Life", "School Action Plan", "Transportation", "Registration", "Attendance/Absences - Safe Arrival System", "Bell Schedule", "Emergency Preparedness & Response", "School Status", and "District Code of Conduct & Dress Guidelines". The main content area is titled "Principal's Welcome" and contains a welcome message from Mr. Harris, a photo of him, and several paragraphs of text about the school's mission and values.

DW Poppy Secondary School

Langley Schools

LOGIN TRANSLATE What are you looking for?

Our School Programs & Courses Extra Curricular Student Life Parent Community Library Learning Commons Contact Us

Home > Our School > Principal's Welcome

Principal's Welcome

Welcome to DW Poppy Secondary, Home of the Redhawks!

We would like to welcome new families, students and staff to the DW Poppy family! We know that it is going to be a spectacular year and we look forward to connecting with you.

At DW Poppy Secondary we take pride in our long-standing traditions, and we work closely with our feeder schools: Peterson Road, Wix Brown, Fort Langley, North Otter and Coghlan Elementary schools. Together we provide our students with strong community values, leadership, exceptional learning opportunities, academic excellence, sense of belonging and a community of care.

At DW Poppy, we are committed to diversity, equity and inclusion. We are committed to helping our students grow and provide an enriching environment where every individual has the right to achieve their full learning potential. DW Poppy aligns with the Langley School District's Mission, "to inspire all learners to reach their full potential and create a positive legacy for the future".

In partnership with families, we seek to connect students to the school, the community, and to one another. Our staff, students, and families strive to pursue and adhere to our school's core values of Care/Respect, Pride, Hard Work, Honesty, Courage and Leadership, understanding that these values are universally beneficial for adolescents and adults alike.

DW Poppy is also about exploring and pursuing our passions. It is our goal that all students would find a place at school where they feel a sense of belonging and their talents flourish. We encourage students to take advantage of the many opportunities provided through innovative elective courses, athletics teams, fine arts and school clubs. It is through these shared experiences that students discover their strengths, build friendships, and strengthen their connection to school.

We feel privileged to be able to be part of the DW Poppy community and we look forward to working with families and students throughout the school.

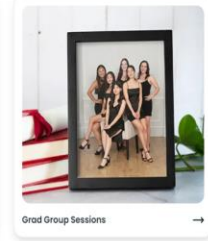
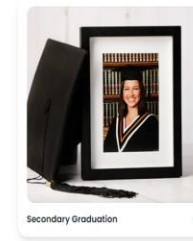
Mr. Harris

Grad Photos: Dec. 2 – Dec. 5

- At DWP from 8:30 am-9:00pm with Artona Photos
- \$60.00 Sitting Fee payable at time of sitting. Includes:
 - 16 previews, 11x14 diploma folder and mini-composite
 - Convocation photo
- Previews available approximately 2 weeks after photo date.
- Online sign-up – already available
- Sign up for one appointment and one appointment only
- Brochure available online at the end of October

Book Your Appointment

Find & Select Your Appointment Type



Grad Council 2026

- Grad Council – consists of Gr. 12 students who plan creative and unique ways to celebrate the Grad class of 2026 and to promote school spirit
- Meets Wednesdays at lunch in room 245
- All Grade 12 students are welcome to be a part of Grad Council



Major Grad Events

Convocation

- **Wednesday, June 17th, 2026**
- Chandos Pattison at Pacific Academy

Grad Dinner Dance

- **Tuesday, June 23th, 2026**
- Newlands Golf Course

Tickets for both events on sale in the spring – more information to follow at the Grad assembly in April

Yearbook

- All grads' **baby photos** will have a very prominent place in the yearbook. Our goal is to have 100% of grads submit baby photos. ****Hard copies of your photo will not be accepted.**
- Your baby photo must be scanned, saved as a JPEG and sent to:
dwpyearbook@gmail.com by March 6th, 2026.
- Yearbook write ups will be completed in your English 12 class and collected by your teacher. Absolute last day to submit these is Friday March 6th
- Write ups for commencement to be submitted online – more information to follow in the spring

Grad Wear

- 2026 Poppy Grad wear will be available to purchase via an online store in the next week or so
- Link will be posted on the Poppy team and sent out via social media
- Students can come by room 245 to try on samples.
- See Ms. Bowick in room 245 for more information.



Academic and
Post-Secondary
Planning

Academic and Post-Secondary Planning

- Graduation Requirements
- Move to Post-Secondary
- Career Planning
- Scholarships

What do I need to do to Graduate?



Required Courses for Graduation

GRADE 10

- English 10
- Social Studies 10
- Math 10
- Science 10
- PHE 10
- CLE 10

GRADE 11

- English 11
- Social Studies 11 OR 12
- Math 11
- Science 11

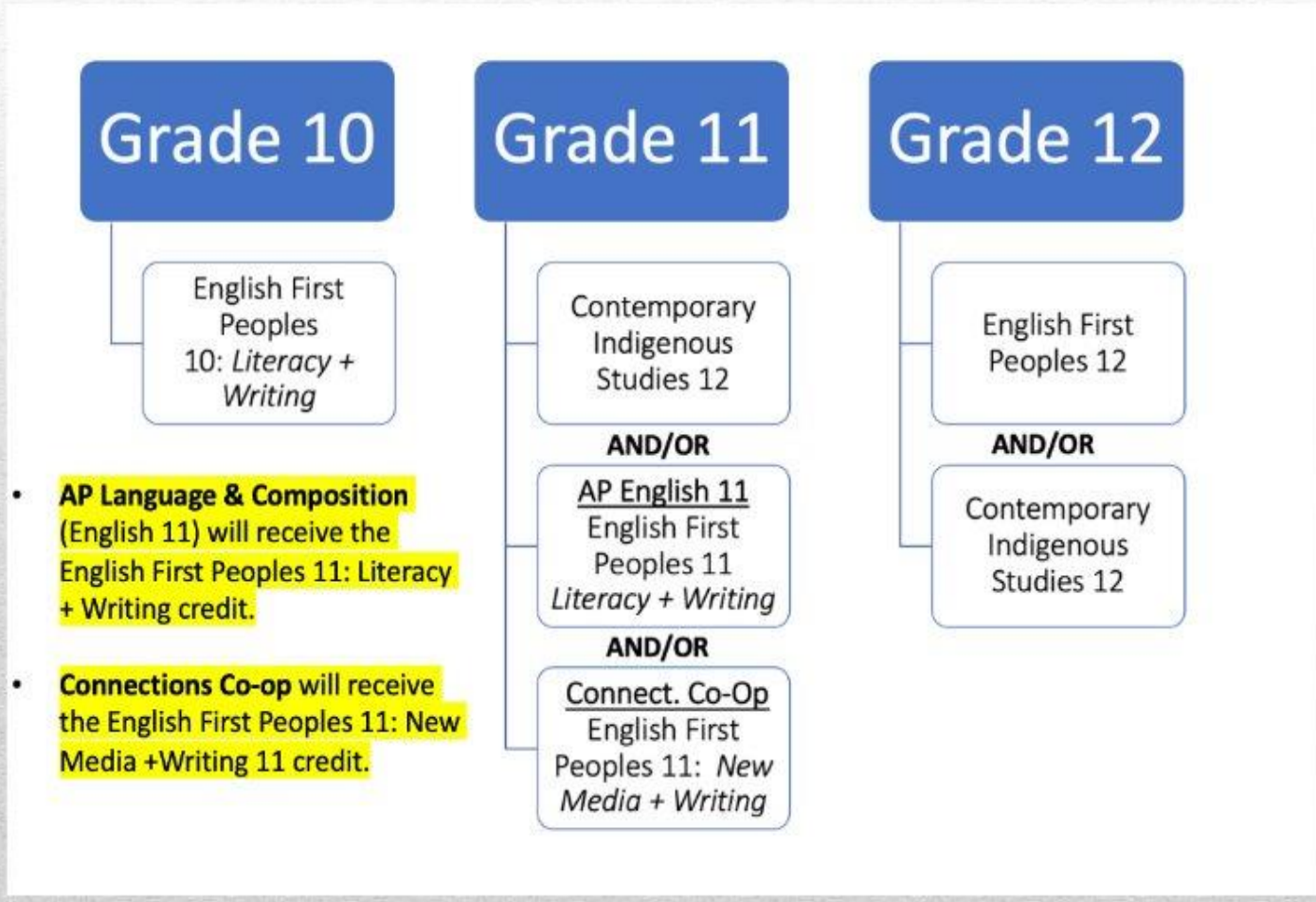
GRADE 12

- English Studies 12
- CLC 12
- 2 additional Grade 12 courses
- Fine Art/ADST 10 OR 11 OR 12
- Grade 10 Numeracy Assessment
- Grade 10 Literacy Assessment
- Grade 12 Literacy Assessment
- An Indigenous-Focused Course



**EACH COURSE IS WORTH 4 CREDITS.
A MINIMUM OF 80 CREDITS IS
REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION.**

To satisfy the Indigenous Graduation Requirement, students of grades 10, 11, and 12 can choose from the following courses:



Indigenous-Focused Grad Requirement



Transcript Verification Reports

TVRs

- Will go out in October
- Students will check that their transcripts are correct and accurate
- We will be doing this during class time to make sure we connect with all students.

Student Transcript Services

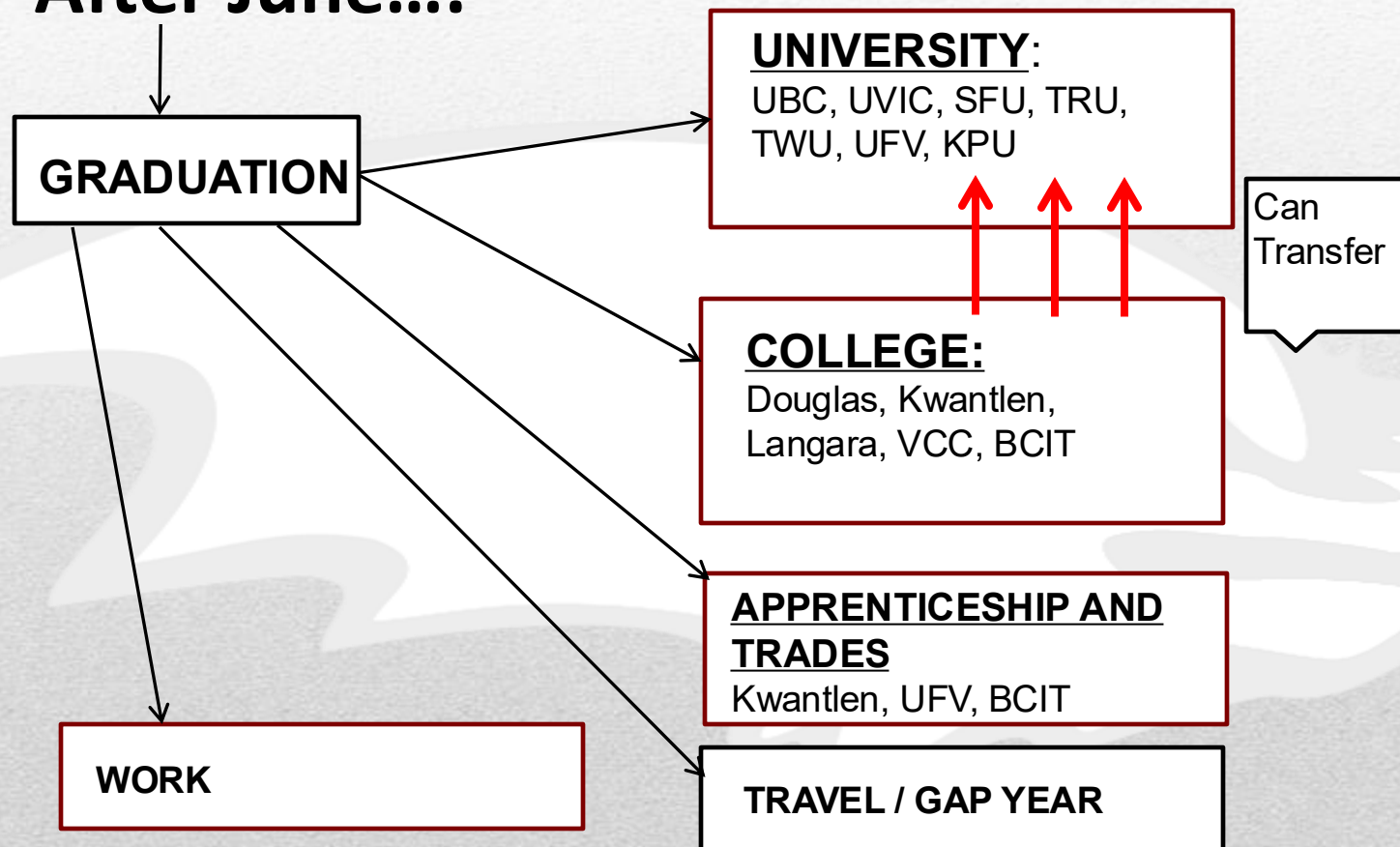
- All students applying to post-secondary will be required to submit interim and final transcripts as part of the application process.
- Most programs will require an electronic transcript. These are available through the Ministry of Education, however you must give them permission to send them on your behalf.
- This service is provided through the Student Transcript Service.
- Instructions on the DWP website or at www.StudentTranscripts.gov.bc.ca
- Support sessions will be given by counsellors during tutorial in October.

What kind of Post-Secondary options are there?



POST SECONDARY OPTIONS

After June....



Upcoming PSI Events

CUE – Canadian University Event

Langley will be hosting CUE on **Thursday, Oct. 2nd from 12 pm to 3 pm** at the Langley Event Centre

More Information to come.

Website: <https://cuebc.org>

CUE Canadian
Universities
Event

Upcoming PSI Events



Post-Secondary BC Information Evening

Happening on Monday Nov. 3
6 pm to 8 pm
DWP Cafeteria

LEARN MORE

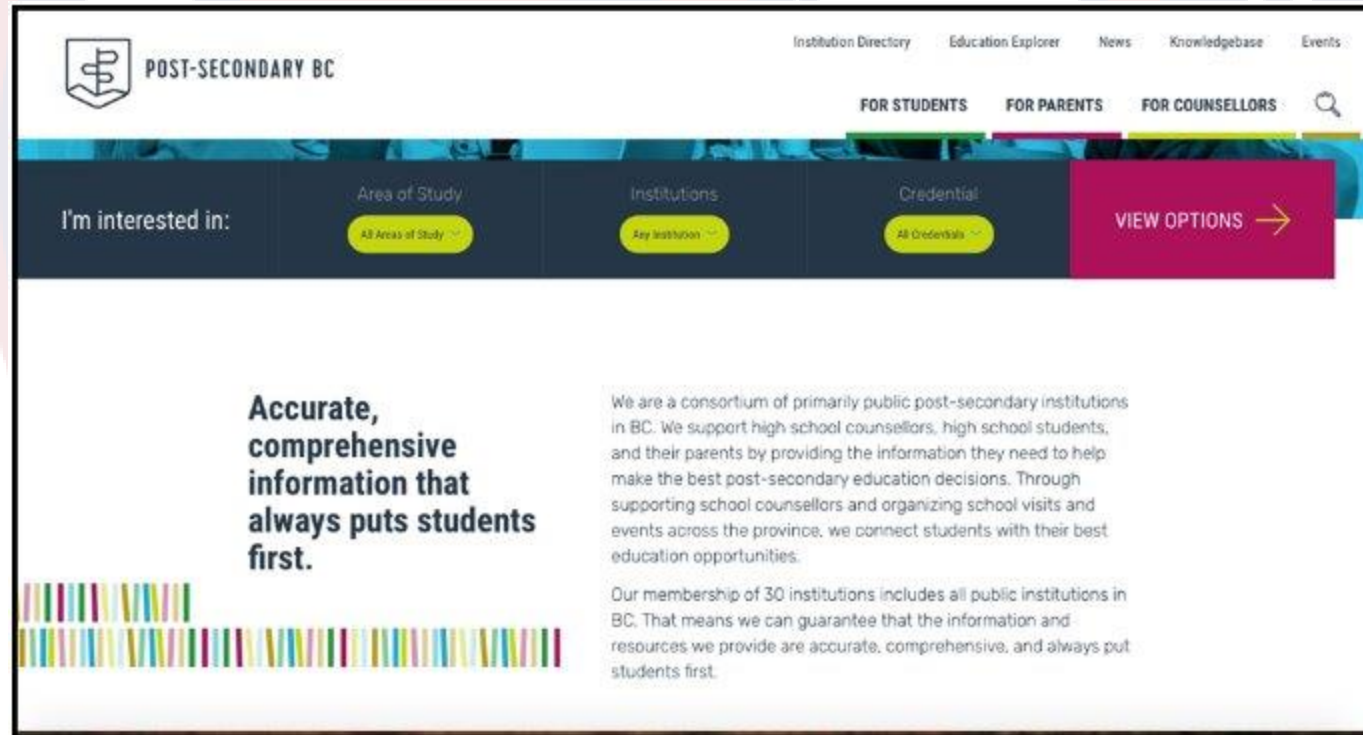
postsecondarybc.ca



POST-SECONDARY BC

Post-Secondary Planning Resources

www.postsecondarybc.ca



Post-Secondary Planning Resources

www.educationplannerbc.ca

Apply to most schools in B.C. through the website and other great information



Recognized Academics courses for ALL UNIVERSITY programs

**Anatomy &
Physiology 12**

Chemistry 12

Physics 12

Geography 12

Law 12

FOM 12 / Pre-Cal 12

Philosophy 12

French 12

Spanish 12

Italian 12

Japanese 12

Mandarin 12

Indigenous Studies 12

Social Justice 12

History 12

English Lit 12

English 12 AP

Check University of choice and specific programs for requirements and other APPROVED Grade 12 courses.

ENGLISH 12 OR ENGLISH FP 12 REQUIRED BY ALL

University and College Applications

UBC Vancouver and Okanagan	October 1 OPEN for application December 1 - -Major Entrance scholarship & first round admission January 15- application deadline
SFU Burnaby and Surrey	October 1 - OPEN for application December 15 – Early entrance scholarship January. 31- admission deadline
UVIC	OPEN January 31- admission deadline
UFV	October. 1- OPEN for application Admission deadlines are program specific- see website
Kwantlen Polytech	October 1 -OPEN for application March 1 –Deadline for limited intake/early deadline for Open intake
TRU	October 1- OPEN for application Admission deadlines are program specific- see website
UNBC	October 1- OPEN for application Admission deadlines are program specific- see website
TWU	October. 1– OPEN for applications March 1– early admission deadline (Rolling admission for some programs)
BCIT	October. 1 – OPEN for application Admission deadlines are program specific- see website
Douglas	Oct. 1- OPEN for application Rolling admission until programs are full

***Double check all school websites for exact dates for application deadlines**

University Application Procedures

APPLY ONLINE

Receive University
Student #

Self-Report
Grades

Transcripts –
electronic
transmission

Housing

- Acceptance – Rolling Acceptance
- Register for courses

Tips for Applying to Post-Secondary

- Start to research programs and admission requirements NOW.
- Get familiar with educationplannerbc.com or the application process for your PSI of choice.
- Create a calendar for admission, scholarship, self-reporting, online course completion deadlines.
- Check all emails from the PSI in case you need to self-report grades or send additional documents.
- Connect with your counsellor and/or Career Advisor.

Career Advising

How do I know which career is best for me?

Meet with your Career Advisor (Ms. Bhullar) to do some career exploration or scholarship research.

Book appointments Mon-Wed or Friday at the office or email sukhjit.bhullar@sd35.bc.ca

Information and Career Exploration sessions will be held throughout the year about:

- Post-Secondary Schools
- Professionals from various industries
- Resume and Cover Letter workshops
- Trades Apprenticeship advisors

Volunteer Opportunities



Not a graduation requirement but this is beneficial for application to post-secondary institutions



Please see the Career Advisor for volunteer opportunities

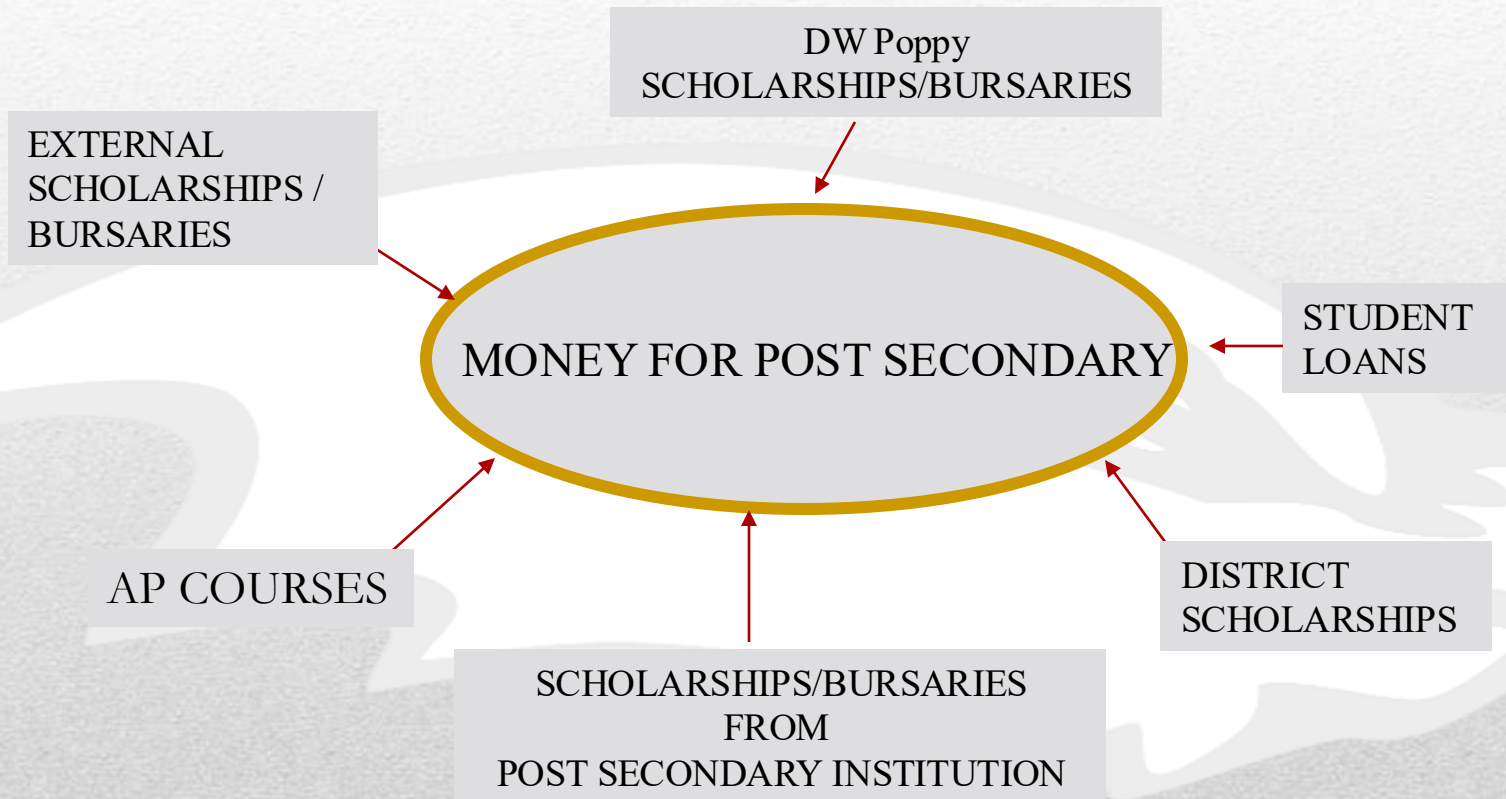


More information will be available in CLC classes

How am I going to pay for school?



OVERVIEW



StudentAidBC

- Helps with the cost of post-secondary education through student loans, grants, and scholarships.
- Programs to help with loan repayment.
- Requests are processed within 10 business days.
- Apply online at www.studentaidbc.ca



StudentAidBC

Scholarship Information

1. **Scholarship Handbook**—This is a great resource that highlights the types of scholarships available and how to apply for them. Please ensure that you read through this.
2. **Scholarship Database**—this is a database that collates all of the different scholarships available to students. It can be found on the school district website.

Scholarship Meeting— October

Note: Make sure you have a Social Insurance Number

Langley School District Scholarship Website

Under the Students & Parents Tab

Home > Students & Parents > Student Learning > Scholarship Information > Scholarship Handbook

Scholarship Handbook

Scholarship Database

Financial Aid

Application Checklist

Scholarship Forms

Scholarship Handbook

Applying for scholarships takes commitment, persistence, and organization. The District Scholarship Handbook is designed to provide students and their families with a resource to help prepare for the application process.

Scholarship Checklist

1. Read the **District Scholarship Handbook**
 - [Scholarship Handbook](#)
 - Highlight sections for future reference
2. Prepare your [Comprehensive Resume](#)
3. Create a [Personal Profile](#)
4. Prepare draft **Letter of Application**
5. Prepare draft [Scholarship Essay](#)
6. Request **Letters of Reference**
 - One or two from school personnel
 - One or two from community members
 - [District Request for Reference Letter](#)
7. Write **notes of appreciation** to those who provided you with a Letter of Reference
8. Prepare a [Scholarship Binder](#)
 - Plastic folders with copies of: Transcript, Letters of Reference, Draft Scholarship Essay, Draft Letter of Application
9. Prepare a **Scholarship Spreadsheet**
 - Fields may include: Deadline, Scholarship, Website, Criteria, Required Document, Status
 - [Sample Scholarship Spreadsheet](#) (right click to save Excel document)

Scholarship Handbook



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Scholarship Database

The Scholarship Database was designed to assist Langley students and reflects scholarships that Langley students have been awarded in previous years. Please note that you will need to research any scholarships that you wish to apply for as dates and criteria are subject to change.

SD35 Scholarship Database

Approx Deadline Date	Scholarship	Type	Amount
30-Sep	UFCW Canada BDM Scholarships	Affiliation	\$1,000 (x18)
06-Oct	Vancouver Community College (VCC)	Entrance	Various
08-Oct	AES Engineering	Other	\$500
12-Oct	Loran Award	Leadership	up to \$100,000 (x30)
13-Oct	Pipe Line Contractors Bursary	Affiliation	\$2,000 up to \$10,000 (up to 40 awards)
19-Oct	University of Toronto National Book Award	Nomination/Award	Book
19-Oct	University of Toronto National Scholars	Nomination + International	Tuition for 4 yrs (x12)
October 20 (monthly)	Innovation in Education Scholarship	Leadership	\$500
21-Oct	Volleyball BC Excellence Award	Nomination	Recognition
26-Oct	Ken Michel Memorial Scholarship for Carpentry	Indigenous	\$500 (x2)
30-Oct	Pacific Salmon Foundation	Affiliation	\$2,000 (x2)
30-Oct	West Kelowna Orthodontics	Other	\$500
31-Oct	Gemm Learning Dyslexia Auditory Processing Disorder Scholarship	Other	\$1,000
31-Oct	Ray Lepp Volleyball Scholarship	Athletic	\$2,000 (1 male, 1 female)
01-Nov	Indspire: Indigenous Awards	Indigenous	\$65 million (x20,000)
01-Nov	Royal Roads University Victoria Foundation Chinese	Entrance	\$2,000

Types of Scholarships

1. Approximately 110 Local Scholarships...**Applications available January 2026**
2. District Authority Scholarships (\$1250 based on seven specialty areas)
3. Other Ministry of Education Scholarships
4. College/University Entrance Scholarships
5. Other Scholarships – clubs, team, union, family, employer

Questions?

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